

# THE BUCKEYE STATE

By Alexander O. Taylor

Cleveland, Ohio, April 16.—Miss Alta Moss, who has been visiting her sick aunt, Mrs. L. C. Byrd, in Columbus, Ohio, has returned home. \* Mrs. Marjette Campbell, a worker at St. John's A. M. E. church, was called to the bedside of her mother in Somerset, Ky., for an indefinite period. \* Mrs. Emma Torrence Hines spent the weekend in Toledo, the guest of Mrs. Edwards and Miss Billie Watson. \* The Metropolitan Club, Robert B. Hodges, president, gave a delightful dinner-dance last week Tuesday evening. Mrs. Hazel Blake won the guests' prize. \* Cards are out announcing the wedding of Dr. J. R. Philen of this city to Miss Theola S. Ford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph C. Ford, Grand Rapids, Mich., at Arnett chapel, Grand Rapids, Wednesday, April 21. \* Mrs. Mario T. Perkins was in Akron Sunday on W. M. S. business. \* Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Leatherman and Miss Helen Wright spent the Easter season in Wilberforce as guests of Ardena Leatherman, teacher in the university. \* Mrs. Luther West, East 103d street, received a telegram last week announcing the death of her aunt, Mrs. Eliza Warwick in Wilberforce. Miss Ella Pettiford of the Cleveland Trust Company attended the funeral. Mrs. West and little daughter Elora have been sick the past ten days. \* The Present Day Club will meet with Mrs. Lullie Styles, wife of Dr. Styles, Scovill and East 36th street, next Tuesday evening. \* Wesley Jackson was here from Chicago last week to spend a few days with his father and mother, C. C. Jackson and wife, 2363 East 36th street. Mrs. Jackson was called to Princeton, Ind., by the death of her uncle, Abe Evans, a civil war veteran. \* Editor William Monroe Trotter of the Boston Guardian will speak at Lane Metropolitan C. M. E. church, Cedar avenue and East 46th street, April 19. Editor H. C. Smith of the Gazette will introduce Editor Trotter. \* The Sunday school of St. Mark's Presbyterian church rendered a beautiful Easter cantata entitled "Glory Light," under the direction of Mrs. Cora Griffith. \* Mrs. Dimpie Slaughter was the efficient accompanist for Mrs. Ruby Yates Slaughter, soprano, at the Caterers' annual dinner, not Mrs. Mabel Clarke Biggs. \* Mrs. T. H. Oglesby, East 30th street, was called to her home in North Carolina on account of the serious illness of her mother. \* Judge R. H. Terrell, Washington, D. C., will lecture at Cory M. E. church Monday, April 19, and at the auspices of the Young Men's Sedulous Club. The vocal soloists will be John H. Perry, Samuel V. Perry and addresses will be delivered by W. R. Conners and Samuel V. Perry, secretary of the Negro Welfare Association and president of the club, respectively.

## Turner Fan Co. Locates Here

The Turner Automatic Fan and Manufacturing Co., George W. Turner, president, incorporated for \$125,000, has opened offices at 3565 Central avenue. The company is a new Cleveland concern and the inventor of the automatic fan is a Racco man, coming recently from Arkansas. Stock is being sold at \$10 per share. The following is the personnel of the board of directors: Geo. W. Turner, William Crosby, Mrs. Jessie Crosby, John Henry Calhoun, Louis Banks, John H. Creighton, Robert Ellis, Grant Vanderpool, Ben Heketta, Solomon Bowie, Mrs. Anna Goodlock, Monroe Solomon and Mr. Eva Paris. President Turner left Tuesday for Washington, D. C., on business. \* Mrs. Sarah Fairfax, 2193 E. 35th street, announces the engagement of her daughter, Sadie C., to Eugene H. Harris of Gallatin, Tenn. \* Mr. and Mrs. O'Bannon Arthur entertained for Rev. Brent, pastor Caba Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky., and Mrs. J. H. Perry of the Baptist Church, Collinswood. Rev. Brent conducted a wonderful revival at the Collinswood Baptist church. Mrs. O'Bannon was a delightful hostess. \* Mrs. M. E. Author and Mrs. Edith Wood of the Idlewild Resort Co. were in Toledo last week on business. \* On the evening of Tuesday, April 27, an enjoyable entertainment will be given at St.

John's A. M. E. Church by some of Cleveland's best artists, among them being Arthur Talbot, well known dramatist; John Perry and "Redge" Ryan, two good comedians, who will appear in an original sketch, "Dr. Flu, the Killer of Diseases." Warren Hansbury and the "Flightwings" will appear in a drama, "Polled By Heck." In one scene, etc. \* The Autumn Leaf Culture Club will meet with Mrs. Jessie Ross, 2235 Central avenue, Wednesday afternoon, April 21. \* On returning home last Tuesday evening from an auto ride Miss Pauline Millner was very much surprised with a birthday party arranged by Miss Nellie Johnson and Miss Nina Polinexter. A host of friends were in the party. Miss Millner received some lovely presents. The Master Barbers' Association, E. R. Brown, president; E. Clark, secretary, and M. H. Dixon, treasurer, gives its first annual ball and reception at Dreamland pavilion Monday evening, April 19. \* The Enterprise Protective League held an interesting mass meeting at St. John's Church Tuesday afternoon. Among the speakers were Rev. H. C. Bailey and Miss Hazel Mountain, attorney-at-law. Mrs. Ruby Yates Slaughter was the vocalist for the occasion. \* Mrs. Fannie Morton is still very ill at her home on E. 71st street. \* Born to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Chalm, 1801 E. 97th street, a fine baby daughter. Mother and baby doing fine. \* Mrs. W. M. S. of St. John's Church met Monday evening with Miss Emma Root, 5210 Marion avenue. \* Mr. and Mrs. Caswell Ingram and little daughter, Cincinnati, Ohio, spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ingram, Morrison avenue. \* The "Mothers' Cradle Roll Club" of St. John's Church gave Mrs. Jennie Childs, the secretary, a delightful surprise shower last week Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Edith Lee, 2253 E. 43d street. Mrs. Childs received some useful presents prior to her leaving for Ravenna, Ohio, to spend several months farming.

## Andrew Edwards Dead

Andrew J. Edwards, one of our best known and most highly respected young men, died last Thursday at his home on E. 32d street after only two days' illness with double pneumonia. His death was a shock to the entire community as his sickness was of such short duration. His funeral took place at St. John's A. M. E. Church, of which his mother has been a deaconess a number of years. Saturday, under the auspices of the Caterers' Association, of which he was a popular member. Rev. J. S. Jackson, assisted by Rev. I. K. Merchant, officiated. Mrs. Kittle Skene Mitchell, soprano, rendered three selections in an impressive manner. A wife, mother, Mrs. Nettie Edwards, and sister, Mrs. Minnie Paris, who have the sympathy of the Defender. \* Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Stewart, 2191 E. 86th street, spent the Easteride with their aunt, Miss Hatlie H. Johnson, Kenton, Ohio. \* Mrs. C. F. Keller, with baby son, Springfield, Ohio, is visiting her parents, Rev. and Mrs. T. S. Jackson. \* Bradley Hull and others discussed the "City Manager" plan of good government for Cleveland at the Men's Forum meeting at the Cleveland Community Center, 352 E. 40th street, Sunday, 4 p. m. William R. Conners, executive secretary, and native assistants, Richard L. Steele and Harvey R. Atkins, are doing splendid work in keeping up the activities of the Center. Many of our group are being given employment through the medium of the Center. \* Miss Edith Wright returned to Newport News, Va., to resume her Y. W. C. A. work after a delightful Easter visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter R. Wright, W. 85th street. \* The annual banquet of the Baracca Bible class of St. John's S. S. J. L. Jones, president, will hold in the church Tuesday evening, April 20. \* Noble's Entertainers' furnished the orchestral music for the musical show of the H. O. F. C. Officers Club of East High in this auditorium April 8. \* Cheeks' Print Shop, Eugene F. Cheeks, proprietor, printed the attractive program. \* Mrs. Theodore Taylor, 6319 Central avenue, returned from Washington, D. C., and Montgomery county, Md., where she went to bury her grandmother six months ago. Mr. Taylor lost his sister recently. \* Mrs. Catherine Childs, who has been the guest of her niece, Mrs. Anna Hern, 2529 Central avenue, left Saturday for Crestline, Ohio, to visit another niece, Mrs. Ben Wheeler. \* Mrs. Lucy Douglas, E. 105th street, was hostess to the Hawatha Club Monday. \* Miss Elizabeth Norris, secretary of the Y. W. C. A., Philadelphia, Pa., was guest of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Hicks, 2161 E. 74th street, during the convention the past week. \* Mrs. R. C. Ransom, New York City, was expected as the guest of Mrs. Wm. McIntire, 2190 E.

85th street. \* Councilman Thomas W. Fleming and Sidney B. Thompson, candidate for legislature, were speakers at "Harding for president" meetings in London and Columbus, Ohio, Monday and Tuesday.

## Elks Make Fine Showing

Cuyahoga Lodge No. 86 and Glenara Temple No. 21, I. O. E. P. O. E. W., made an excellent showing in their parade Sunday, led by Jackson's Military Band, Al Walden, director, and A. S. Blakely, drum major. The Elks Marching Club, under command of Capt. Jas. Beckwith, won much applause along the line of march in their white suits. The annual thanksgiving and memorial service was held at Lane Metropolitan C. M. E. Church Sunday afternoon. Rev. L. E. Brown delivered the special memorial address. Addresses were also delivered by Daughter Ruler, Mrs. Mattie Carroll. Vocal solos were rendered by Mme. Rachel Walker Turner, soprano, Messrs. Geo. Randol and Harry B. Thompson, baritone, and Warren J. Cossey, tenor. Oscar Howard played the "piano." Mrs. Mabel Clarke Biggs, accompanist, was at the organ. Deceased members since last service were Daughters Colla Thurman and Maggie Lewis and John Good, Walter Matthews, John Lawson, E. Cain, Yancy Johnson, C. H. Hughes and Wm. McKinney, Elks. Councilman T. W. Fleming, treasurer, was master of ceremonies. Officers of Cuyahoga Lodge are: Marcelus Mason, E. R. J. W. Reed, Jr., E. L. K.; Geo. Randol, J. L. K.; Luther Cain, E. L. K.; Jos. Wallace, exquire; Henry Burrell, tiler; J. C. Hudson, secretary. Officers of Glenara Temple are: D. R. J. Mary, E. L. K.; Anna Washington, V. D. R.; Beale Hammond, D. R.; Mary, E. L. K.; Mary La Sante, treasurer; Mary Windson, rec. secretary; Jessie Lancaster, fin. secretary. Committee of arrangements: J. A. Cossey, J. A. Clinton, E. L. K.; J. K. J. John Perkins, Luther Cain, Wm. Austin, J. H. White, Mrs. M. Rose, Mrs. J. Hatter and others. Dealers were I. E. Purdy, J. H. White, Robt. Green, P. Lowmyer, Thurman Wyatt, Chas. Davis, J. Dugan and others. \* Star Calantha Drill Corps No. 3, Mrs. Christanna Little, captain, cleared \$52.80 at their social given at Mrs. Anderson's, 2332 E. 34th street, last week. On April 20 the corps will give another social at the home of Capt. Little, 2217 E. 43d street. \* Victor Dorion, Houston, Texas, is the guest of his sister, Mrs. Josephine Green, 5807 Cawlock street. He expects to locate here. \* Edward Lawson, Robert Carner, John Collins and Joe Thomas, cornetists; James Brooch, baritone; Arthur Mitchell, cymbals, and Royce Badger and Marion Davis, trombone players, are the Racco members of the Central High School Band. \* Mrs. Daisy Ogelsby, 3302 Quincy avenue, has been sick. \* Douglas West, Akron, Ohio, was the guest of his sister, Mrs. Sophie West, 11, 103d street, Easter Sunday. \* Robert Bryant, 2203 E. 3d street, visited his wife, Mrs. Bryant, in Belle Vernon, Pa. She went to the Pennsylvania town for the benefit of her health. \* Mr. and Mrs. Harry Basy, 1013 Parkwood drive, returned from Springfield, Ohio, where they went to bury Mrs. Basy's grandmother, Mrs. Mayers, who died last week in Cleveland at the ripe old age of 93 years.

## Joint Recital an Artistic Treat

St. John's A. M. E. Church was packed both afternoon and evening by the hundreds of Cleveland admirers of Miss Clara Collins, soprano, and Loula Vaughn Jones, violinist. In the afternoon an immigration in Sunday school history, the artists gave a free recital for the children of the Sunday school. This feature was unprecedented. It is thought by the author of the idea, Superintendent Peyton W. Lemon. In the evening another program of rare merit was rendered for the hundreds of adults. Both programs were indeed artistic treats. Wm. Wallace, a pianist of unusual ability, a product of the New England Conservatory, Boston, Mass., but a native of Charleston, S. C., played from MacDowell, Chopin and Liszt and won most enthusiastic applause as well as an encore. He was wonderfully received and accompanied Mr. Jones in a most efficient manner. Mr. Jones captivated his hearers by a sonata (C minor, op. 15) from (Friede), a "Negro Chant" by Clarence C. White, the well known violin virtuoso; Kreisler's "Caprice Viennois," a most vivacious number, "Chinese Tambourin," by Kreisler, all of which were beautiful and most artistically rendered. Among Miss Collins' best numbers were three "Negro Spirituals," by Burleigh, Clarence C. White and Nathaniel Dett; "Love Is Meant to Make Us Glad (German); "Tost's "Goodbye" and "One Fine Day" (from "Madam Butterfly"), by Puccini.

For an encore she sang "I'll Gai," by J. Rosamond Johnson, and took the audience by storm. Miss Collins possesses a wonderful voice as well as striking personality. She was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jackson, E. 110th street, while in the city, returning to New York the middle of the week. Her share of the proceeds was \$225.00, she being a former member of the Sunday school. Mr. Jones and accompanist returned to Boston Monday evening. They were guests of Mr. Jones' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis S. Jones, E. 101st street. \* Dr. and Mrs. Leroy Bundy were the pleasing guests of their parents, Rev. Arthur Talbot, last week, en route from Detroit to Chicago. Dr. Bundy delivered a stirring address on "The New Negro" at St. John's Sunday school and was most enthusiastically received and applauded. They will return in June. The doctor is mapping a lecture tour and no doubt will meet with great success, as he has cultivated exceptional oratorical ability since his undeserved persecutions of the past. \* Emanuel Commandery, K. T. J. Henry Davis, Eminent Commander, made an excellent showing at its annual thanksgiving services held at Cethsemane Baptist Church Easter Sunday. Rev. Page, the pastor, preached a fine sermon.

## St. John's Choir Triumphs

The choir of St. John's A. M. E. Church triumphed Easter Sunday night in its rendition of "Alleluia, Hail to the Gladness," by Calbraith. Among the soloists were Harry Lucas, baritone, and Miss Catherine Hawkins, who rendered the recitative contralto part, "He Hath Swallowed Up Death in Victory." In a most effective manner. The recitative tenor selection, "Sing Unto the Lord a New Song," by J. J. Hicks, was finely well received. Miss Gladys Wells captivated her audience by her wonderful rendition of "Lord in Mercy Now Healt Us." Had it not been Sunday evening she would have earned several times Director Carroll J. Scott deserves untold praise for the meritorious rendition of the cantata. \* "Charis of Thanks" must be paid for at the rate of 30 cents per line. Defender office, 3565 Central avenue, Cleveland, Ohio. A card will bring the representative to your address. All news, personal, church, society, etc., published free of charge. \* Superintendent Alex. O. Taylor of the Municipal Bath House, Central and E. 25th street, wishes all clubs to know that the clubrooms are open to their use free of charge. See or write him for particulars. No political or "admission fee" affairs permitted. Any club is allowed to make the institution its home. A community chorus is soon to be organized, notice of which will be given in next issue.

## Miss Eva Bowles to Speak

Miss Eva Bowles of the National Board of the Young Women's Christian Association will speak at Mt. Zion Congregational Church, East 31st street, near Central avenue, Sunday morning at 10:45 a. m. Be sure to hear her. Rev. Irving Keith Merchant, pastor. \* The Maccabees class of St. John's S. S., composed of young men between the ages of 25 and 30, has an average attendance of 15 members. Three ministers have sprung from this wonderful class since 1915. Robert Crowler is president. A. H. Gillespie, who Congressman J. I. Emerson claims taught the world the "art of suggestions" through this class, claims that all mankind should learn the "art of civilization." Many young men of various professions are members of this class. Rev. J. B. Jackson is pastor of the church and P. W. Lemon, superintendent of the Sunday school of nearly 800 members.

## Timely Advice

A. O. Taylor, representative of the Defender, Cleveland, Ohio; Dr. H. A. Tripp, 436 Rose building, a throat and eye specialist, has come in contact with some very uncouth Colored patients lately. A young Colored man had him treat his ear and left the city without paying his bill. On another occasion a Colored family whose name he was unable to give me had him to make all arrangements with a certain hospital to have their child's adenoids removed, and after

making all arrangements at the hospital, these people never showed up. Dr. Tripp tells me that he has had several of our group of patients make appointments which they never kept, so much so, that he is beginning to feel that he will have to shut down on such trade altogether. I have had Dr. Tripp treat my eyes for several years and he has always given me the best of treatment, attention and courteous in every respect and I regret so much that our people who make appointments with men of this class do not keep them. I hope our people will think of these things as they are not at all helpful to the race. (Signed) Sidney H. Thompson.

## Don't Want "Jim Crow" Hospital

From a survey of our physicians of Cleveland it is authoritatively stated that the "Cleveland Association of Colored Men" finds that the medical fraternity is strongly opposed to the organization of a "Negro Hospital for Cleveland." The hospital is being fostered by one Colored physician and one Colored nurse, who is said to be soliciting funds for the same. The C. A. of C. M. wishes to advise the public that it heartily cooperates with the Colored physicians in strongly opposing said hospital and soliciting of funds for the same.

Piqua, Ohio, April 16.—The Easter program, which was given at both churches was beautifully rendered and a large crowd attended. Miss Stevenson of Pittsburgh, Pa., spent a few days visiting the Clark family. \* Jessie Scott of Columbus was in the city. \* The funeral service of Vernal Jackson was held from St. Mary's Church last Tuesday morning, of which he was a member. High mass was given.

Portsmouth, Ohio, April 16.—Edgar Davis, formerly of this city but now of Williamson, W. Va., spent Easter with friends and relatives here. \* Mrs. Sarah Johnson of 15th street is reported very ill at her home. \* The Ladies' Aid Society of Pleasant Green Baptist church met at the home of Mrs. Beba Wells of 10th street Friday night, April 9. \* The many friends of Rev. and Mrs. M. S. Johnson gave a banquet in their honor Monday evening, April 5, at the Findlay Street M. E. church. A nice program was rendered. \* Rev. Charles Leom of Columbus, Ohio, was a recent visitor here. \* The Sewing Circle of Allen Chapel A. M. E. church met at the home of Miss Eunice Melvin Monday evening, April 5. \* The Community Club of Portsmouth gave an entertainment at Lucasville, Ohio, for the benefit of the Boy Scouts of Lucasville Friday evening, April 9.

Toledo, Ohio, April 16.—Mrs. Jackson of 1103 City Park avenue has returned from Cleveland and Oberlin, where she visited her parents and brother in Cleveland. \* Rev. B. F. McWilliams has returned to the city. He was called to Cincinnati on account of the death of a nephew. \* Mrs. Fannie Bowers of Sandusky is visiting Mr. Emmet Alexander, 315 Vance street. \* Mr. and Mrs. James Balloy and Mr. and Mrs. John Franklin motored to Detroit Sunday. \* E. B. Wanzo's sister, Mrs. Bertha Walton of Rutland is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Wanzo in their Washington street home. \* The Elks' annual memorial services were held April 11 at Warren church at 2:30 p. m. \* Mrs. Mary Johnson and son, Wm. Johnson, of Chicago, are guests of Mrs. Johnson's sister, Mrs. J. L. Rochester, 353 Woodland avenue.

Glendale, Ohio, April 16.—Services at Quinn Chapel, A. M. E. Church, were good Sunday. \* The Sewing Circle will meet at the residence of Mrs. Cora Phelps. \* There was a grocery opened at the corner of Congress and Corn streets Saturday evening by Rev. McCoy and brother. \* Rev. I. J. Williams has gone to Arkansas City to visit his sister. \* Mr. and Mrs. Corris Johnson of Woodlawn, Tenn., are stopping in Glendale, Ohio, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Ewing. \* Elbert Warfield left for Detroit, Mich. \* Mrs. Nancy Baker left Tuesday for Georgia to visit her mother. \* The baby of Mr. and Mrs. John Saunders, Jr., had its leg broken.