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1955 Debs Make Bow At Snakes' Holiday Formal

SOCIETY Merry — Go-Round

By Emogene A. Watkins

THE HOLIDAYS HAVE LEFT MANY fond memories for so many of us. . . we can only hope that this festive . . . but sacred . . . period has helped us to face some of the problems that a brand new year thrusts upon us. Resolutions . . . like Brotherhood Week . . . die a sudden death in a relatively swift period. . . with good intentions being swapped for bad habits of old. What to do about it? Make none . . . or if you do . . . make none . . . a really important one. . . and perhaps share it with someone who can remind you now and then if you get lazy about it. If you keep . . . if secret, chances are that is the end of it.

THE C. C. SAWYERS AND THE THOMAS HAYES pooled their natural talents as gracious hosts, and entertained their mutual friends at one of the gayest cocktail affairs of the holiday season on Monday, Dec. 26. The fashionable Parkway residence of the Hayes was all a-twitter with happy guests mingling in a party mood! Colorful and very tasty hors d'oeuvres created with the artistic touch of a cateress were served guests from an attractively decorated table. The two Helens were charming, with Mrs. Hayes wearing a warm coral wool accented with gold dots all over. . . sleeveless; and Mrs. Sawyer in a fetching white circular felt skirt and matching top decorated with pastel bows all over. The Mes-Sawyers and Hayes attended the bar with professional finesse.

Among the many gathering for the holiday cheer were: Mrs. John Smith, Mrs. Sawyer's mother, Mrs. Esther Brown, Miss Marilyn Watkins, the Leroy Youngs, the U. S. Bonds of Madison, Ark., Mrs. To-Lise Puritoy of Forrest City, Mrs. Emma Green, Miss Clemmie Bosley, Mrs. Charlesteen Myles, the L. R. Taylors, J. D. Springer, the C. M. Roulhacs, jr., with their houseguests, Mr. and Mrs. Elbe Bettis of Washington, D. C., and Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Chamberlain of Baltimore; Mrs. Ann Benson and brother-in-law, the T. D. Upshaws of Chattanooga, the E. R. Kirks, the O. W. Picketts, the Joseph Shannons, the Caffrey Bartholomews, the John Outlaws, the P. M. Joneses, the Harry Cashies, the Floyd Campbells, the Claiborne Davises, Dr. and Mrs. C. S. Jones, Dr. and Mrs. Arthur E. Horne, Dr. and Mrs. I. A. Watson, Jr., Dr. and Mrs. Vasco Smith, the A. Maceo Walkers, the Emmett Simons, the George Stevens, the Lewis Twiggs, the Philip Booths, the Hollis Prices, the Lawrence Westleys, the Alex Dumas, the H. A. Gilliams, the Jesse Turners, the Alonzo Weavers, Atty. and Mrs. A. A. Latting, Atty. and Mrs. A. W. Willis, the William Rankins, the George Toles, the Rufus Gadsons, the Lonnie Briscoes, the Marvin Tarpleys, the William Owens, Dr. and Mrs. Julian Kelso, Dr. and Mrs. A. B. Carter, Dr. and Mrs. H. H. Johnson, the J. H. Rolands, the W. W. Gibsons, Edwin Prater, the Russell Sugarmons, the Johnny Arnolds, the J. L. Brinkleys, Dr. E. A. Witherspoon, Dr. and Mrs. E. Frank White, the Wm. Nabors and Chaplain and Mrs. L. A. Thigpen.

SPENDING CHRISTMAS IN THE BLUFF CITY were: Mrs. Carlee Reynolds of Cleveland, O., with her brother and his family, the Birdell Jacksons, sr., Mrs. Versie Moore of Chicago, visiting her sister, Mrs. Alberta Fowler. . . Miss Maude Dancy of Indianapolis, visiting the Andrew Dancys. . . Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Upshaw of Chattanooga, visiting their sister-in-law, Mrs. Ann Benson. . . Mrs. Ruby M. Muse and Mrs. Edna M. Cook of Evanson, Ill., visiting their aunt, Mrs. Margaret Annett, and cousin, Mrs. Smith of Magnolia Sunday. . . Mr. and Mrs. Elbe Bettis of Washington, D. C. and Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Chamberlain of Baltimore, Md., houseguesting with the Christopher Roulhacs, jr. . . Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Fort of Detroit, guests of the A. Maceo Walkers. . . Mrs. Esther W. Williams of Kansas City, and Mrs. Mable Robinson Love, visiting Mrs. William's mother, Mrs. Dave Washington. . . Atty. and Mrs. Wm. Luster of Cleveland, visiting her family, the Edwin Joneses. Mrs. Thelma West of Louisville, and Mrs. Beatrice (West) Scaags of Cleveland, Ohio, houseguesting with their cousins, the Oscar Joposes on Kansas st. and Henry and Levy Conerway of Detroit, visiting their families here. . . Miss Sylvia Sayles of Champaign, Ill., visiting her uncle and aunt the A. G. Shields.

1-LT. THOS. H. WATKINS, JR., home on leave from Sampson AFB in Geneva, N. Y., greeted a host

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of his friends and acquaintances at a party in his honor on Thursday, Dec. 29, given by his aunt, Mrs. H. A. Collins and cousin, Miss Grace Collins at their home. A very delightful evening ensued with Miss Sylvia Sayles, piano and voice major at Springfield Junior college in Illinois, entertaining the gathering with their favorite requests. Guests participated in such enjoyable games as bridge, whist, roulette, scrabble and the usual party chatter. The hostess served a delicious hot chop suey supper and cocktails. A beautifully decorated Christmas tree gave the true Christmas atmosphere to the occasion.

A few of those present included his sisters, Misses Marilyn and Emogene Watkins, L. Alex Wilson, his cousins Thomas and Julia Collins, William and Gwendolyn Luster of Cleveland, A. W. and Annie Laurie Willis, Simon and Gloria Howard, Hubon and Alice Sandridge, Lawrence and Ernest Westley, Edwin Prater, Ulysses Hunt, John and Juanita Poston, Geraldine Pope and company, William and Odessa Tate, Ruby Gadison, and a host of others.

IT WAS AN OLD-FASHIONED GET TOGETHER when the Caffrey Bartholomews entertained for a number of out-of-town visitors last week. Miniature Christmas trees made a festive looking motif in gold, red and green as they were placed throughout the house. . . Two foot-high trees brightly lit greeted the guests as they entered. . . and tall candles. . . glowing. . . were surrounded by huge gay colored balls on the table. Guests were stunningly dressed in everything from lace to satin in most glamorous styles imaginable, as they danced to the music of a three-piece combo featuring bongo drums. . . and dined on a delicious menu of hot Creole Shrimp Gumbo Filet served buffet style. Honored guests included the Elbe Bettises of Washington, D. C., and the Malcolm Chamberlains of Baltimore; Mrs. Esther W. Williams of Kansas City, Mrs. Mable R. Love of Nashville; Mrs. Thelma West of Louisville, Ky., and her sister, Mrs. Beatrice West Scaags of Cleveland, and the E. E. Forts of Detroit. It was a lively affair!

MRS. ADDIE JONES entertained with a wonderful breakfast at her residence on Tuesday morning. Guests were served buffet style from a beautifully set table with its tempting fresh fruit centerpiece. Ham, baby links, bacon. . . coffee. . . juice. . . hot rolls. . . eggs. . . marmalade, and what-have-you whetted the early morning appetites of everyone! Out of town guests of honor were Miss Barbara Little of Grand Rapids, Mich., her god daughter, Miss Vera Little, concert artist, Mesdames Thelma West and Beatrice Scaags, Gladys and Elbe Bettis, Mae and Malcolm Chamberlain. Others were: Rosa Robinson, Hollis, and Althea Price, Ethel Venson, Johnetta Kelso, Esther Brown, Alma Booth and Nellie Roulhac.

THE OLD ACQUAINTANCE BRIDGE club is probably the newest group in our midst. . . but the members are the oldest of friends. They met recently at the home of the hostess, Jean Smith, 1931 Bedford. Co-hostess was Delores Puddnell. Christmas. . . naturally. . . dictated the menu and decor, with everything in the gayest order. Turkey and dressing were served with the traditional courses and hot coffee. Guests on this occasion were: Lila Dumas and Dolores Cole, who won guest prizes; Alice Harris, Thelma Johnson and Augustine Pickett.

The meetings are held monthly and the roster includes: E. C. Young, president; Marie Taylor, secretary; Elsie Thomas, corresponding secretary-treasurer; Jean Smith, reporter; Marcelene Turner and Georgia Stewart. Members winning at bridge were: Elsie Thomas and E. C. Young.

A GALA COCKTAIL PARTY was the way the SKG Bridge club entertained a few of their many friends on Tuesday, Dec. 27, at the Universal lounge. Of course there was a buffet service. . . beautiful Christmas red. . . green floral beauty. . . and a handsome snow-covered tree presided over the proceedings from his stand in the center of the attractive table. There were so many guests and members having a jolly time over cocktails and conversation that I just know I couldn't put them all here, but a few of the invited guests were: John and Walterine Outlaw Andrew and Georgia Dancy, Jack and Mary Roberts, the Curtis Williamses, Johnetta Kelso, Vernita Doggett, the W. T. McDaniels, the J. D. Turners, the Wm. Lusters, the E. A. Witherspoons, the Sam Qualls, Thomas Harris, the Sam Browns, the Sam McNaultys and many others.

THE SEMPRE FIDELIS CLUB members were entertained by hostess Mabel Hudson at her resi-



THREE OF THE 21 lovely debutantes who bowed formally at the Annual Cotillion of the Royal Coterie of Snakes, Tuesday night at Parkway Ballroom, form a pretty picture

as they chat with escorts following the presentation. Left to right) Doris Shropshire, William Lester, Joseph Chandler, Lois Shropshire, Judy Albrit-

ton (foreground) and Edward Jourdain III. The Christmas ball, presented for the 18th year, is one of the social highlights of the holiday season.



WAITING FOR the music to start, (left to right) Constance Greene, Joseph Matute, James

Williams and Melba Ingram are set to step onto the ballroom floor as the debutantes

enjoy their first whirl of the season.



SMILING BUDS sit one out and relive the thrill of their

formal bow. (Left to right) Eileen Edwards, Rosalie Lior-

ens, Ruth Perry and Marlene Collymore hold cotillion nose-

gays as they exchange views.



A PRETTY smile is beamed by Arlene Pierce (left) on white-orchided Mrs. Theodore Jones, wife of the president of the Royal Coterie of Snakes, as Miles Conley looks on.



A CURTSY and a smile and Yvonne Campbell is ready to join the 20 other buds who bowed formally with her at the Christmas ball of the Royal

Coterie of Snakes. Presenting the debutantes is Theodore Jones, president of the organization.

Dinner Ware Turns Elegant

NEW YORK, Dec. — (INS) — Elegance is becoming the byword of the home fashion industry — it certainly applies to decorative accessories for 1956. Dinnerware pieces for the coming year will favor center designs, rather than border deco. Barware will be rich looking, with an emphasis on crystal effects. Real crystal pieces will accent crisp cutting and lower stems. The Oriental influence is seen in colors used in several dinnerware lines — for instance, a gold design on either a black or coral background.

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NEW YORK, Dec. — (INS) — Top on the list of double-duty items in 1955 was the convertible sofa-bed. The trend was toward a lighter look. Manufacturers thought up trick ideas of both design and engineering to get these pieces off the floor and into the less bulky looking category. Legs of these models were slim and sometimes curved and clawed for a period look. The biggest comfort innovation for '55 was the introduction of a convertible sofa-bed that combined foam rubber mattress with box springs. Sea pressure reaches seven tons per square inch at a depth of 6 miles.

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ENTERTAIN AT GAY FORMAL DANCE—These charming ladies, members of the LITTLE CLUB observed their fifth anniversary with a formal dance on Tuesday, Dec. 27, at the Flamingo Room. Lovely in snowy white short formal

gowns, they were hostesses to several hundred persons... with their choices of lace, tulle, net for their bouffant dresses, bringing them many compliments. Front, left to right: Mrs. Carlee Bodye, Mrs. Velma Burlison, Mrs. Margaret

Thompson. Standing: left to right: Mary Fields, Mrs. Clo- teal Shackelford, Mrs. Lorene McCollins, Mrs. Bennie Fay Gardner, Mrs. Annie Jean Steinberg, Mrs. Sally Thomas and Mrs. Velma Johnson. (Withers Photo.)

Miss Erma Blackwell Weds Mr. Hollowell

A lovely wedding on Christmas Day united in marriage, Miss Emma Pearl Blackwell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Blackwell, of 1337 Breedlove, and Charles Arthur Hollowell, son of Mrs. A. J. Johnson of 2143 Lyons, and the late Rev. Percy Hollowell. The ceremony was performed by Rev. H. Robinson at the home of the bride's parents before a picturesque background of white gladioli, carnations, roses, and glowing white tapers, interspersed with greenery. A program of nuptial music was presented by William Allen Jr., at the organ, and Miss Nadolyn Stubbs, soloist. The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of crystal white French chantilly lace and nylon tulle over taffeta. The full skirt ended in a chapel train... while her veil of illusion fell from a Juliet cap of lace showered with seed pearls and sequins. She carried a beautiful bouquet of white roses and baby breath. Miss Erma Westley was maid of honor, wearing a waltz length dress of rose colored taffeta. The bridesmaids wore waltz length dresses of blue taffeta. They were Mrs. Julius Knight and Miss La Francine Stewart. Oscar Hollowell attended his brother as best man.

Kappa's Elect Wilson

CLUMBUS, Ohio — C. Rodger Wilson of Chicago, was re-elected grand polemarch of Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity at its 45th grand chapter meeting here. Atlanta was selected as the meeting place for the 1956 session.



HOLLOWELL - BLACKWELL NUPITALS — Miss Emma Pearl Blackwell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Blackwell, and Charles Arthur Hollowell, son of Mrs. A. J. Johnson, were married in a lovely

home ceremony on Christmas Day. Rev. H. Robinson officiated. The wedding party included Mrs. Julius Knight, Miss La Francine Stewart, bridesmaids, Oscar Hollowell, best

man, the bride and groom, Charles Blackwell, bride's father, Rev. H. Robinson and Miss Erma Westley, maid of honor. The couple will reside at 2119 Lyons. (Withers Photo.)

Miss Stockton Betrothed To Fred M. McVoy

Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Stockton, of 901 Polk ave., announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss DeLores Claudia Stockton, to Frederick M. McVoy of Chicago, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence McVoy, sr., of Pensacola, Fla.

The bride-elect was graduated from B. T. Washington High school, and received the Bachelor of Science degree from Tennessee State university. She is a member of the faculty of B. T. Washington High school.

The groom-to-be was graduated from the USMA Prep School, Stewart Field, New York and B. T. Washington high school, Pensacola, Fla. He attended Tennessee State university. Mr. McVoy is associated with his brother in the management of Balch Real Estate Company in Chicago.



MISS STOCKTON

Walker Sisters To Cincinnati

Misses Patricia Lynn and Roslyn Adele Walker, daughters of Mrs. Roslyn Walker, spent the holiday season in Cincinnati, Ohio, visiting their aunt, Mrs. Sara Moyle and cousins Eleanor Given and Julian.

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Alpha Gamma Chi Sorors Give Gay Holiday Party

One of the gayest of holiday parties was given Wednesday, Dec. 28 by the Alpha Alpha chapter of Alpha Gamma Chi sorority at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Gray, of 1816 Greenview Circle. Guests of honor were Sorors Odezie Harvey of St. Louis, and Lillian Wallace of E. St. Louis; and Mrs. Lorene Withers of Washington, D. C.

A gold and green motif was carried out in the table decor. The table was overlaid with an imported lace cloth in yellow carnations in delicate china compotes, with matching candelabra holding green tapers formed a beautiful centerpiece.

Guests were received in the living room decorated in holiday red with poinsettias and carnations

placed at vantage points in the room. Hors d'oeuvres egg-nog, wine and cake were served.

EARLY ARRIVALS

Arriving early were Sorors Mary L. Green, Ernestine Hutcherson, Evelyn McNulty, Gladys Miller, Natlyn Johnson, Miley Johnnikan, and Mrs. Lorene Withers. Other sorors attending were: Sorors Ann Hickman, Odezie Har-

vey, who brought greeting from the AGC chapters in St. Louis, Lillian Wallace, Mary Roberts, Willye Mae Smith and Ruby Mae Greene.

Gifts were exchanged with each member exclaiming joy as she opened her gift. Alpha Alpha chapter of Alpha Gamma Chi sorority extends best wishes to all of their friends for a Happy New Year!

Sigmas Reelect Dr. Flemmings As President

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — (ANP) — Dr. George D. Flemmings, unanimously reelected National President of Phi Beta Sigma fraternity at the 41st anniversary convocation held in Louisville last week, has announced the reappointment of two officers.

William E. Doar, Jr., of Brooklyn, for the past seven years national executive secretary, was appointed for a three year term.

The other appointee is Dr. W. H. Pipes, editor of the Crescent, official magazine of Phi Beta Sigma. Dr. Pipes is dean of Philander Smith college and former president of Alcorn college. His term of office is two years.

New Fuzz-Less Cotton Ideal For Nursery

Among the many things that a first time mother learns along with caring for her tiny immigrant from Storkland is how to shop wisely and well for the nursery.

She soon learns that her nest member of the family can also be the costliest unless she knows how to buy the best quality supplies and uses them without waste. It won't take her long to discover either that it is economical not only to shelf space but of money, too, not to clutter the nursery shelves with many products that may be used only once contents half full.

It makes far more sense to buy a multi-purpose preparation that avoids waste. And when that product does a multitude of jobs not only more economically but mama, wise shopper that she has proved herself to be, can start giving advice to grandma!

Absorbent cotton is one of the supplies that take the biggest bite out of the nursery budget because it is used so frequently for a great number of things. Since it is important therefore both as a necessity and as an expense, mother will welcome news of a new kind of fuzz-less cotton that is convenient, efficient and economical.

This new type of lintless cotton is found exclusively in Coats, the handy quilted cotton squares that speed up so many nursery chores. Thought a unique "coet-ized" process, Coats have now been made lintless so that you can

use them for applying baby lotions and powder without coating your hair with filthy fuzz.

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want it and not all over your finger or on the floor.

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For efficient nursery management, keep Coats quilted cotton squares handy, either in their original squares dispenser box or in the special cotton canister that comes with then urserly utility set. You'll never find your Coats idle on the shelf for they're of babyland that they'll probably be the prize of many a nursery raid. To avoid this, and make sure baby always is supplied, keep an extra box of Coats on your own dressing table and one in the bathroom chest too.

Many famous buildings including the White house and U. S. Treasury building do not appear to have corners.



ALPHA GAMMA CHI SORORITY ENTERTAINS — These very lovely ladies, sorors of Alpha Alpha chapter of Alpha Gamma Chi sorority, entertained visiting sorors in a festive setting during the holidays. In

the circle, left to right: Sorors Natlyn Johnson, Miley Johnnikan, Odezie Harvey of St. Louis, Mrs. Lorene Withers, of Washington, D. C. Sorors Evelyn McNulty, and Mary right, Sorors Ann Hickman,

Willye Mae Smith, Lillian Wallace of E. St. Louis, Ernestine Hutcherson, Ruby Greer, Gladys Miller, Ernestine Gray, and Mary Lou Green. (Withers Photo.)

Beaux Arts Ball Slated For Club Ebony Feb. 3

Beta Epsilon Omega chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority is making elaborate plans for pre-

City's Preps Open League Play, Jan. 10

Following is a tentative basketball slate for the Memphis Prep league.

- January 10, Manassas vs Melrose and Booker T. Washington vs St. Augustine.
- January 12, Melrose vs Hamilton and Douglas vs St. Augustine.
- January 17, Booker T. Washington vs Hamilton.
- January 19, Hamilton vs Manassas.
- February 2, St. Augustine vs Melrose and Manassas vs Douglas.
- February 7, Booker T. Washington vs Manassas and Hamilton vs Douglas.
- February 9, Booker T. Washington vs St. Augustine and Manassas vs Melrose.
- February 14, Hamilton vs Melrose and Douglas vs St. Augustine.
- February 16, Booker T. Washington vs Hamilton.
- February 21, Booker T. Washington vs Douglas and Hamilton vs Manassas.

S. Africa Bans Digest Published In London

JOHANNESBURG, S. Africa — The Africa Digest, published monthly by the Africa Bureau in London, has been banned by the South African government. Widely read, it was available in most public libraries.

senting Memphis' first Beaux Arts Ball on Feb. 3 at Club Ebony.

The Beaux Arts Ball originated with the Institute of Design in New York. Emphasis was placed on costumes which exemplified various forms of art such as the drama, painting, music, the dance, and sculpture. Today the Beaux Arts Ball is popular in several cities including New York, Detroit, and Chicago. The affair is eagerly anticipated in each of these places because of the unusual costumes for which prizes are awarded.

YEALY AID

In order to contribute yearly to aid others, Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority has sponsored benefit Mas-

querade Balls. Fashionettas, presented some nationally known artists, and produced several plays which have been looked forward to from year to year. The plays will be resumed in later projects.

Support for these projects has made possible contributions to Le Bonheur Hospital, Oakville Sanatorium, and scholarship to high school graduates and college students.

THREE YEAR AWARD Currently, a three year scholarship is being offered to a student nurse at E. H. Crump Memorial hospital. Proceeds from the Beaux Arts Ball will aid this and other worthy health and charity projects of the sorority.

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Westside Matron Points Way To Youth Problem Solution

● WITH THE FESTIVE yule season still a bright memory, this seems an appropriate time to tell a Christmas Story which is lived 52 weeks of the year. It is the story of a widow, recently bereft of her only son, who has opened her heart and home to some 50

youngsters in her community. She is Mrs. Emma Lawler, 1529 Sawyer ave., in Chicago, who last July organized children in her Westside community. The group is known as the Young Girls Training club.

● THE YOUNGSTERS meet weekly in their benefactor's basement, which she converted into club rooms for their sole use. Under her kindly and inspiring supervision they learn the crafts, are taught to cook and sew. Bible study is also included and choral group singing.

ing. Defender Photographer Cleo Lyles and Reporter Shaun Perry attended Mrs. Lawler's Christmas Party for her "children." They tell the Lawler story, a heartwarming solution to the widely decried delinquency problems.

● PHOTO LEFT: Shirley Mason, winner of the perfect attendance award, shows a toy she made to her mother, Mrs. Grace Mason. Also admiring her handiwork are Mesdames Bessie Gordan and Nola Carey, two parents who were guests at the party. Shirley also is leader of the younger boys and girls play

group. Below: Lottie Johnson tries one of her hand crocheted hats on pal, Doris Hersey. Appreciative audience includes (from left) Brenda Cooksie, Lola Williams, Barbara Wilson, Mary Ethel Conley and Flora Moncure.



The Food Was 'Yummy', There Was Plenty Of It, The Kiddies Agreed

● THEY CAME BACK for seconds . . . and thirds, too, if they wanted them. Sharing the feast of delicious turkey dinner with all the trimmings is youngsters' mentor, confidante and friend. Photo above: Mrs. Lawler accepts a

Christmas plate from Hilda Moncure, a junior member of her Young Girls Training Group. The group of smaller boys and girls surrounding Mrs. Lawler are members of a recently formed auxiliary.

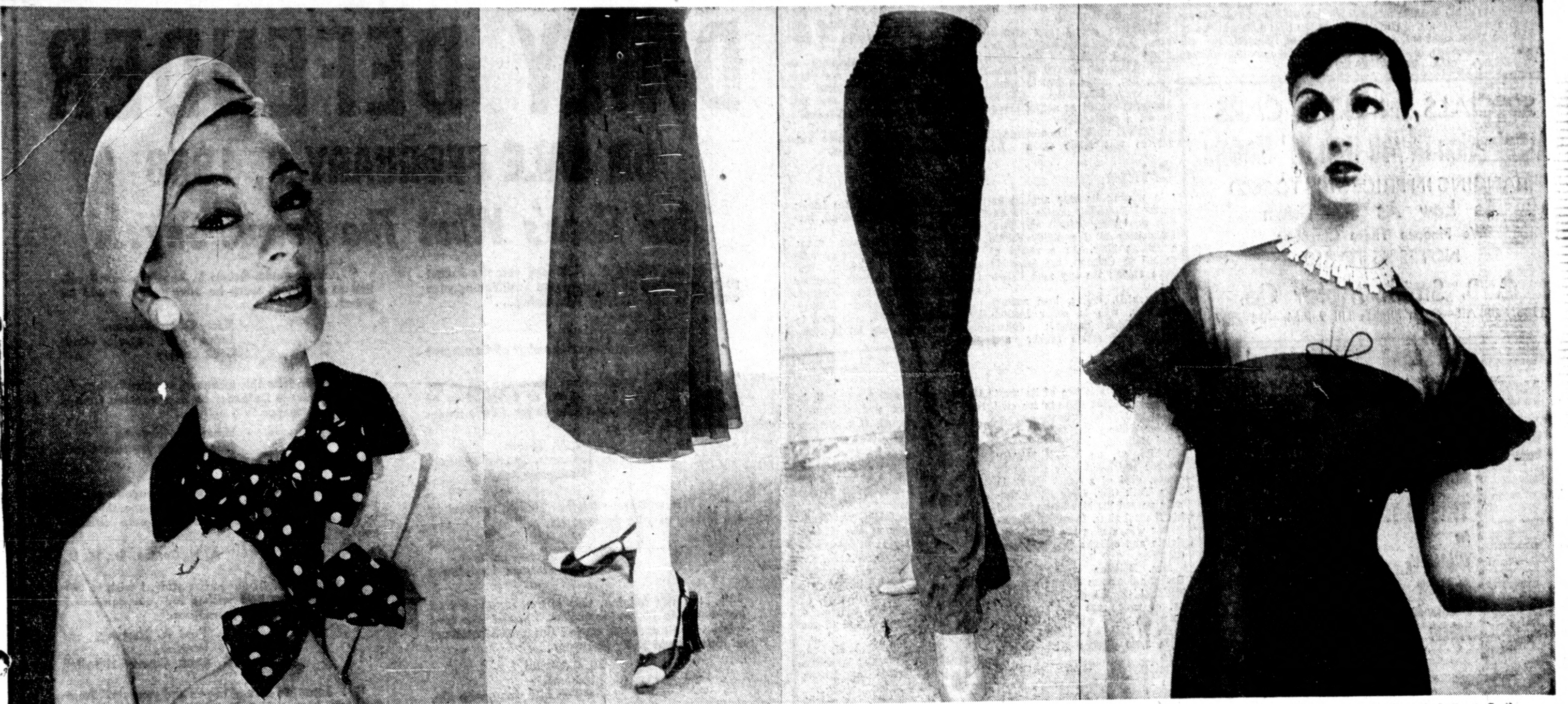
● ORGANIZED ORIGINALLY to instruct teen-age girls in organized recreation, the Young Girls Training Group also includes the Artistic Young Singers, whose talents are in demand at teas and on church programs. Activities also

include trips to the beaches and parks when the weather permits. There is a fund for the sick of the neighborhood, who receive cards of cheer.

● EXHIBITING WITH pride (photo above, right) the fashions they designed and made themselves are (left) Irma Gordon, who admires dress and coat created by Arne-da Moncure. Barbara Gordon is wearing a jumper made by

Irma. Other members of the Young Girls Training Club are Barbara Wilson, Dorothy Wilson, Florence Butler, Lottie Johnson, Gwendolyn Williams, Mary Conley, Aquinette Moline and Mamie Jones.

Fashions and Home Service



SPRING 1956 news from the New York collections is a 'big story'; (left photo) newly-

placed bows for accent and dash; (left center) fuller-in-back skirts, soft, sheer and

graceful; (center right) sheath skirts, curvaceous and straight

and angular; (right photo) dropped shoulder lines reflect-

ing the dominant style influence of special times and

far away places. All are sponsored by New York designers

for Spring 1956. — Photographs courtesy Couture Group

of the New York Dress Institute.

Curtain Set To Rise On The 1956 'Fashion's Big Story' In New York

The entire fashion world and its willing slaves (and what lovely lady isn't a slave at Dame fashion) breathlessly awaits the opening of the Couture Group of the New York Dress Institute's 26th National Press Week, January 8 to 14, in New York, when the curtain will rise on what Milady shall wear in 1956.

But despite the veil of secrecy which surrounds all activities prior to the showings, hints have been given of some fashion points to watch for.

And, here they are. . . .

WATCH FOR . . . the influence of special times and far away places — French Directorate, English Regency, the first decade of the 20th Century, and Asi — from Turkey to India to Japan; the soft, loose but clinging and high-bosomed dresses worn by Josephine when the young Napoleon courted her, the high sashes and huge sleeves of England when the Prince Regent and his friend Beau Brummell ruled fashion, and long narrow princess dresses of the 1900's Out of the East come harem hemlines, narrow semi-flared Oriental coat shape, mandarin necklines, kimono sleeves and collars, obi waistlines and a strange blend of Far Eastern colors.

WATCH FOR . . . fashion in a fickle mood, flirting with both the slim and full silhouette and sometimes changing her mind in the middle of a dress. Sheaths are both curvaceous and straight and angular; tunic dresses and long torso dresses drop the waistline to the hipbone or thigh and Directorate and Regency dresses raise it to the armhole; there are sheaths covered by panels or overskirts for double-feature effects; there are full skirts that float or stand out crisply; there are coats that fall straight or almost indent and coats that enfold and wrap like a double blanket out in a giant circle.

WATCH FOR . . . terse understatement in the daytime silhouette, with all-out feminine frou frou or siren allure at night.

WATCH FOR . . . a hint of cubism in the silhouette; many curves become planes as the silhouette sweeps in a straight line; many narrow panels at front and back, and fullness often held by squared-off inverted pleats under the arm; the effect, though soft, is definitely more of a cube than a tube.

WATCH FOR . . . a great deal going on behind your back; the front of most costumes remains strictly simple, but the back almost always intrigues the eye with shape, drape or decoration; from the merest flicker of a godet at the hemline to massed fullness in bodice or skirt, the silhouette weeps back, and rows of buttons or bows center trimming behind.

WATCH FOR . . . the word

BEEF SUPPLIES

The steak-eaters of America can look forward to another happy year of abundant sirloins, tenderloins, etc. The U. S. Department of Agriculture predicts that beef will be plentiful in 1956, with output expected to near 1955's record production of 13.6 billion pounds.

"Soignée," new fashion adjective to describe the look of tomorrow, replacing that longtime and hard working favorite, "elegant"; "Soignée" means perfectly groomed as well as perfectly dressed.

WATCH FOR . . . the strong return of the short suit jacket and the continuation of the three-quarter and seven-eighths length coat.

WATCH FOR . . . fluttering semi-attached panels, floating overskirts, fluid draperies, slashed sides on coats, jackets and skirts, and sashes with long ends, all making motion an integral part of the design.

WATCH FOR . . . a flurry of flounces, in skirts, in coats, in little wraps. They range from narrow and smooth to giant and very full.

WATCH FOR . . . sheer spend-or-in fabrics, from deluxe cottons and polished feather weight wools to handpainted silk organza; pure silks that look like worsted; cottons as thin and lustrous as silk; woolsens an dsilks with a nubbed texture glossed over by a smooth downy surface; sheer porous tweeds and worsteds; paper thin flannels and chiffon broadcloth; many thick coatings so light weight the entire coat rests on one hand; pure silk still the

proudest phrase in both the day and evening fashion; embroideries with Chinese, Turkish or Spanish inspiration — a favorite motif on everything from shorts to ballgowns.

WATCH FOR . . . a field day for flowers, from tiny rosebuds to giant poppies, flowers decorate clothes of every description in prints, applique, embroidery and trimming.

WATCH FOR . . . "Proportioned" collars and necklines — part of the be-kind-to-everybody theme of fashion in the variety of shape and depth of neckline, from high shallow to low and dangerous.

WATCH FOR . . . great emphasis on the finished costumes — hat, gloves, shoes and dress or suit made for each other, and often made to match.

WATCH FOR . . . colors to vibrate like the colors in a modern painting or an Oriental bazaar — strong blues, garden greens, tawny browns, and honey beiges and pinks with both the mauve and golden cast most often seen; neutrals dramatized by strong contrasts; black or navy slashed with white; beige with black and so on. Color is always handled boldly; the pale, wishwashed approach is out.



WHITE SILK—Maurice Rentuses pure white silk chiffon with a lavish hand for this evening gown completely draped in slenderizing lines. An oversized hem-to-hem stole in iridescent silver-green silk taffeta adds a dramatic touch.



LINGERIE collars are a Spring 1956 trend in the New York collections and expected to be one of the fashion notes sounded at the 26th National Press Week of Couture Group of the New York Dress Institute, January 8 to 14.

Gloves Are Neglected Items In Many Wardrobes

The most frequently neglected item in a woman's travel wardrobe are gloves, according to leading fashion authorities on "what to wear where." They point out that, whether the trip you're planning is long or short, for business or pleasure, a wise and versatile investment. One of these should be a short semi-casual cape leather glove in a neutral color which you can wear either with your traveling costume or with a fresh change of clothes when you make hotel or sightseeing stopovers during your trip. The other should be a pair of fine kid leathers in the new elbow length to wear for dress-up after arriving at your destination.

(3) If you're planning to take to the air or to make luxurious, unhurried trip by train, and want to look spanking fresh when you alight, choose a pair of the new completely washable. Leather kidskins in either white or in a color to coordinate with your costume. Should they show the slightest sign of soil, you'll be able to wash them and hang them up to dry in the washroom or in your roomette as easily as your nylon hose. They'll be dry and fresh as new high-in-the-sky or down to earth, a pair of smart leather gloves are not only a fashion-must but extremely practical as well. This is especially true of the new feather-weight 100% washable leathers in various textures which are easily washed overnight in your train roomette or hotel room.

If you're planning a trip during the months ahead, the fashion experts offer the following suggestions for choosing your travel gloves:

(1) Should your plans include getting behind the steering wheel of your car either for a short weekend or over a stretch of several leisurely weeks, you'll find a

pair of sturdy ruggedly grained pigskin the best possible choice. From the safety point of view, based on recent scientific testings, leather gloves in general and pigskins in particular provide the firmest grip on the wheel and are wise insurance against hazards on the highway.

(2) If you're a fortunate female just going along for the ride without any driving responsibilities, you'll find two pairs of smart leather gloves by morning.

(4) Should you be lucky enough to rate an extended winter vacation requiring frequent changes in costume, take along three pairs of the LaunderLeathers in colors which blend with or spark up you over all wardrobe. You'll find them so easy to wash that you'll be perfectly and immaculately gloved right through your vacation. And you'll practically give the illusion of having not three—but three dozen pairs of fresh, new gloves in your travel wardrobe.

You might choose a pair of freshly-styled glaze kid leather in a brilliant new color called lemon peel to spice up your black and neutrally toned clothes, a pair of four-button length white leather pull-ons to wear with pastels, and a pair of glistening black elbow-length gloves to add a dramatic note to your cocktail costumes.

Smart Women Will Carry Saddlebags

Winter Vacations In Tropic Climes Turn Thoughts To Cottons, Shoes

With winter vacations in tropical climes becoming increasingly popular, the first cold blasts start many a woman thinking about summer cottons and tropical leather shoes.

Shoe departments in all parts of the country have already started blooming like Springtime. You'll find counters brimming over with colorful tropical lightweight leathers in a fascinating array of resort shoes for every occasion. Ideal for a winter trip, they'll be used again come the Easter Parade and summer vacation.

One thing you'll find that all these wonderful new tropical leather shoes have in common — and that is the silhouette with the disappearing shank. It is dressed up in such wide variety of treatments, however, that it's become as basic as the pump.

The new low throat line seems to be the most popular style. You'll find it worked into sling backs and open toes, dressed up in printed grain and smooth leathers, set off with many different designs including plaids, paisley prints, checkerboards and striped patterns—all in leather.

The mule-type shoe is also in great abundance, many of them featuring dressmaker detailing and draping achieved by the use of tropical wedge kid, calf and suede leathers.

Heels continue to make news. A good many of them highlight a

matching heel and vamp motif, studs, stitching, embroidery. Next in importance are the pale pastels and finally oriental colors in hot orange, turquoise, and gold. Add all this to lightness in weight, flexibility in construction and designs for every occasion—town, country, cocktail, formal and leisure — and you have the leather shoe picture you can resort to (a pun) with perfect confidence.

Colors range from white and off-white, through the pale beige to

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Buy Hat By Shape Not Color

"The first thing to consider in buying a hat is not the color and the trimming but the shape of the hat—how it looks on YOU, in relation to your own face structure," says Lilly Dache, famous fashion and beauty authority, in the current issue of PAGEANT magazine.

The right hat can balance the shape of the face and help to make even the square face and the round face appear to be more like the ideal oval.

Some of the hints the article gives, for each face type are:

Square—choose a hat with bulk and preferably one that comes forward over the face.

Long—should never, never wear a high crown. Shallow crown and wide brim minimize the face length.

Triangular — takes to small hats. Bulky hats are out.

Round — taboo are tiny hats perched high on the top of the head. Something dangling and jutting at the side is good.

Donate Blood To Save Negro

BEAUMONT Miss. — (AP) — Several white persons in this small community on the Mississippi Delta are credited with saving the life of a Negro who was critically wounded in a knife battle.

McNeal Summerall, 30, suffered a severed artery in his temple and was bleeding to death when he was rushed to a nearby clinic. An urgent call for blood went out.

Several white persons, including the physician's wife, donated

blood. A white service station attendant, Lars Brendal who took Summerall to the clinic, paid the medical expenses.

Jamaican Bishop

KINGSTON, Jamaica — Percival William Gibson was elected recently as the first native bishop of the Church of England. He will preside over the Jamaican diocese of the church.

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'SLADE' FILM EXCITING SEQUEL TO MEMORABLE HIT

John Ericson ably carries on the family tradition set by Mark Stevens in an earlier picture in "The Return of Jack Slade," which opens Sunday at the NEW DAISY THEATRE for a three day run, with Mari Blanchard and Neville Brand as his co-stars.

Slade, the father, was a gun-slinging agent for the Wells Fargo Co., a phenomenal marksman and sudden death to any outlaw within miles of Julesburg, Colorado. In this new Superscope film, young Slade also becomes an agent for the law, working with the Pinkerton's to stamp out a murderous band of bank and train robbers who break tradition by having a group of tough young women working as accomplices. Miss Blanchard is cast as one of those women.

Both Ericson and Miss Blanchard, who find romance after he arrives at the gang's hide-away, turn in excellent performances.

Brand, in his role as the most vicious member of the outlaws, turns through a memorable characterization. He is a man who is cruel without reason for being cruel, a man who kills without reason for killing, and his final meeting with young Slade is one of the tensest climaxes of the picture.

The balance of the large cast is handled more than competently by expert players, among them being Casey Adams as the leader of the outlaws and Donna Drew, Angie Dickinson and Lyla Graham as the other young women in the outlaw gang.

The picture was produced for the Allied Artists by Lindsley Par-

GUN PAIR

Mari Blanchard and Neville Brand are a pair of outlaws in Allied Artists' "The Return of Jack Slade," opening Sunday at the NEW DAISY Theatre.

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discrimination clauses to them.

The amendments were added to the national Reserve Training bill and the federal aid to school construction measure. Pressure from Eisenhower resulted in the defeat of the clauses.

Theodore Berry, city councilman, was the first Negro to become vice mayor of Cincinnati. And when the mayor of Louisville, Ky., made a trip to Miami this year, Councilman Charles Anderson served as acting mayor to set a precedent.

Greatest uproar in government service was made when Dr. Frank S. Horne, assistant to Albert Cole, administrator of Home and Housing Finance Agency, was fired from his post along with his aide Mrs. Corienne R. Morrow. Budget reasons were given for the dismissals.

Horne had worked in the federal government for 19 years, and is rated as an expert on race relations in housing.

Judge Hubert T. Delaney of New York's Domestic Relations Court was not reappointed by Mayor Robert Wagner, and Edward Dudley named to the bench in his place.

Michigan enacted a new Fair Employment Practice law.

Crime

In waging its war against organized gambling across the nation this year, federal and local authorities hit the policy racket a telling blow. As a result of probes in Chicago, the following were among the key men indicted:

James D. Irving, loan agency operator, who is under income tax evasion charges; Julian Black, real estate broker and former co-manager of Joe Louis; Sanders Scott, Ed Copeland, tavern owner;

Earl White, business man; Harold L. Jackson, former cafe owner; Charles Kirkling and Charles Herring, former member of the police anti-gambling squad.

Melvin Clark, northern Kentucky gambling figure, was shot to death on a parking lot in New York, Ky.

Deaths

The world lost two of its most famous militant fighters for civil rights in 1955 when death claimed Walter White and Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune.

White, 61, an ardent NAACP worker and official for almost 20 years, died of a heart attack in New York City. Over 10,000 persons passed his bier and attended his funeral rites. President Eisenhower was among the leading officials and citizens who sent condolences.

Mrs. Bethune who founded Bethune-Cookman college and the National Council of Negro Women, of which she was president emerita, died suddenly at her home in Daytona Beach, Fla. Some 5,000 persons attended her rites.

Condolences were received from President Eisenhower, Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt and hundreds of top government officials, civic leaders and educators across the nation.

Other noted personages who succumbed in 1955, included:

Edwin J. Barclay, 73, former president of Liberia, in Monrovia.

J. H. Mitchell, 73, bank pioneer and president of the Industrial Savings Bank, in Washington.

Mrs. Vivian (Buster) Marshall, 44, wife of Thurgood Marshall, in New York, after a short illness;

Jesse Locker, 63, U.S. Ambassador to Liberia, of a cerebral hemorrhage;

Matthew A. Henson, 88, famous explorer and last survivor of the famous Perry Expedition to the North Pole;

Chester A. Franklin, 74, founder and publisher of the Kansas City Call, who died in his sleep;

Bishop Douglas O. Walker, 65, of the Fifth Episcopal District, suddenly in Kansas City, Mo.;

Bishop John W. Martin, 76, of the AME Zion church, who worked on the revised edition of the Bible, in Chicago.

Mrs. Maude T. Steward, 80, oldest woman journalist in active service and editor of Boston Guardian, in Boston;

Dr. F. D. Bluford, president of A and T college since 1925, after a two-weeks illness.

Mrs. Raymond L. Jones, wife of the presiding prelate of the seventh episcopal district of the AME Zion church, in Salisbury, N.C.

Claude Roxborough, business man and youngest brother of the famed Roxborough family, in Detroit.

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By RUBY F. TURNER

Hello, Everybody! It is good to begin the New Year with our weekly little visit and to look forward to 51 more of them during 1956. In the Christmas decoration contest prizes were awarded as follows: Doorway, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Burke, Jr., 1st place; Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Burke, 2nd place; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. West, 3rd place; Interior, Mrs. Ottilie Mae Roberts, 1st place; Mrs. Lillie Stegall, 2nd place; Outdoor, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. West, 1st place; Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Burke, Jr., 2nd place; Business Houses, Burke's Mortuary, 1st place.

Mrs. Mamie Powell of 509 W. Scott street had one of the most enjoyable Christmases of all Forrest Cityans when most of her family spent the holidays with her. Among them were a daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. James Seward of Cotton Plant and their sons, Samuel Seward of A. M. and N. College, Pine Bluff and Pfc. Levern Seward stationed at Tyler, Tex., another daughter, Mrs. Ruby Perkins of Mt. Clemens, Mich., and her son, Sgt. Herbert (Powell) Seward who is home after serving 2 and a half years with the Air Force in Japan, a son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Powell and Miss Carlisle Walker, all of Mt. Clemens, Mich.

Houseguests of Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Burke during the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Presley S. Winfield of Berkeley, California. Mrs. Winfield is the sister of Dr. Burke.

Mr. and Mrs. Clemmons Johnson and children of Gary, Ind., visited with Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Lucas and other relatives. Mrs. Johnson is the former Imogene Lucas.

Visiting with Mrs. Elnora Peoples were her sister and brother, Mrs. Annie Ford of Toledo, Ohio and non Houston of St. Louis.

an extended tour of Austria and other es, Sgt. and Mrs.

Freddie Barr with their children, Yvonne, Mackie Faye and Freddie Ardis, arrived in the States and spent the holidays visiting with the J. W. Wests and other relatives and friends. The Barrs were stationed at Kaiserlautern (Vogelweh) Germany.

The Rev. A. Logwood held his first Quarterly Conference at Lane Chapel CME church Sunday, December 25. Rev. J. H. Tellington is the pastor. Preceding the conference, a Christmas Service was held at 6 a. m. The beautiful and impressive service was well attended.

Chief Warrant Officer and Mrs. Hollis T. Arnold, stationed at Macon, Ga., were at home during the holidays with the P. T. Williams on North Cherry st. Mrs. Arnold is the sister of P. T. Williams. Returning from Christmas, vacations were Mrs. Edna Purifoy of the English Department of Lincoln High School and Eldora Ann Turner, a junior at Christ Church Parochial school. They spent Christmas in Chicago and Los Angeles, respectively.

Deny Killer Bail In Miss. Slaying

SUMNER, Miss. — Three justices of the peace last week denied bail to Elmer Kimbell, 34, white cotton gin operator, who is accused of killing Clinton Melton, Negro service station attendant, in cold blood.

With the denial of bail, Kimbell faces three months in jail to await action of the grand jury which does not meet until March.

Melton, well-liked in the Glendora community, was the father of four children. Kimbell told the justices that someone fired at him first and he shot in self defense. He exhibited a bandaged flesh wound.

The U. S. has about 1,000 residential fires every day.



THE TRI-STATE DEFENDER STAFF extends greetings of the season to all of their friends! They are shown as they gathered in private celebration during the Christmas holidays at Tony's Place. Staff members and guests include:

L. Alex Wilson, editor and general manager; Miss Emogene A. Watkins, Mrs. Fleming Polk, Jr., circulation manager, and Mr. Polk, Evans Clement, Advertising mgr. and Mrs. Clement, Mr. and Mrs. Moses J. Newson, Mr. and

Mrs. Marion Ford, Mr. and Mrs. James H. Purdy, Miss Cora Lawrence, Mrs. Hattie Shields, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Coleman, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander De Loach, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Grafton, Charles Tisdale, and Ernest Withers

Other guests seen on the photo are: Earl Withers and his daughters, Thelma and Elaine of Washington, D. C. and Mr. Bishop. Not shown is Mrs. Hattie House, church news, and James Sudduth, (Withers Photo).



WJAK CELEBRATES—"Miss WJAK" and the disc jockeys of the radio station are shown around the birthday cake at the celebration of WJAK's first anniversary on Dec. 4, in Jackson, Tenn. The disc jockeys are from left to right:

Charles Beasley, Roland Porter, Frances Burnett, John Diggs and A. T. McFadden. Proudly wearing the crown is Miss Anne McNamee, a Lane college senior. The charming 21-year-old Miss was judged over some 123 contestants as

piring for the title of "Miss WJAK." Miss McNamee received many lovely gifts from Jackson merchants and will represent WJAK in all outstanding events through the year of 1956.

The JACKSON SCENE



Miss Anna Lee

It is the day after Christmas at this moment and I'm sure the medicine chest is working for those who over stuffed. Well, Christmas only comes once a year and the beginning of the New Year is usually spent trying to get off those extra pounds gained during the holidays. I hope Santa didn't forget anyone in making his rounds for he was extremely good to me.

Now for the Jackson happenings. On Wednesday night, Dec. 21 in the beautifully decorated home of Miss Ora Ellington on E. Baltimore St., the Civic Pride club met. An old fashion Christmas party was enjoyed by Mesdames A. D. McNeely, Ovelley Goodrich, Olivia Pruet, Florence Ward, Fannie Dobbins, Mary Balir, Fern Walker, Pansy Graham, Myrtle Monroe, Mary Fox, Lilli Bell, Estella Tyson, Bessie Merry, Bessie Gordon, Georgia Kelly, Sadie Garrett, Marie M. Penn and guests, Mesdames Ozelle Drain and Beulah Wiley. Mrs. Marie Penn, the very efficient president, was all dressed and packed to take off for the holidays, her destination, Los Angeles Calif. She was leaving that night for Chicago, Ill., to spend a few days with her sister and from there taking a plane to L. A. to visit her daughter, Mrs. Kathleen P. Carr.

A turkey dinner was served with all its trimmings and each person received gifts from the hostess. As one of the projects for the year the club sent Christmas baskets to worthy shut-ins.

The members have sincere hopes that their beloved charter member, Mrs. Sarah Golden, will be able to be meeting again with them soon. She has been on the sick list for quite some time.

SHUT-INS ENJOY

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West Memphis News

By Tommy Parker



Mrs. Annie Mae Pettis of 1052-A Lena pl., Memphis, the foster daughter of Mrs. Mattie Taylor in West Memphis, enjoyed the Christmas holidays in St. Louis visiting her sister, Mrs. Lillie B. Bates.

Mrs. Gary Green, of 2097 Meade, Detroit, was the guest in her uncle and aunt's home, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Tiggs, of Hulbert, Mrs. Green visited friends in West Memphis. Mother Taylor and family. Mrs. Green is the bride of Rev. David Green, former pastor of Morning Star in Hulbert, Ark.

Mrs. Maggie Moss, of 227 S. 15th st., is visiting friends in Detroit. Mrs. Moss is on her vacation.

Mrs. Mary Hopkins, of 224 S. 15th, left on Dec. 25 for St. Louis, Mo. to visit with her relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Brown, of West Memphis, were all thrilled to have as their guests Dec. 25 their daughters and sons-in-law, and daughter-in-law and their children. The visiting relatives were Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Clay, Mrs. Lillie Mae Brady, Mrs. Margie Taylor and Mr. and Mrs. Lee Brown, all from Kansas City, Mo.

Mrs. Margie Taylor is the daughter-in-law of Mrs. Willie Gordon

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Also Mother Starks is ill. She is at her home in Hulbert, Ark. and Brother Porter is ill at his home in Hulbert. All are members of the Morning Star church in Hulbert, Rev. C. Bolden, pastor.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Townes, of 407 N. 9th lost their home and everything they owned in a fire on Dec. 24. They are stopping at Mrs. Lovings. The Townes are members of Mt. Zion Baptist church, Rev. H. Boykins, pastor.

Lawyers Reject Anti-Bias Bill

An amendment to exclude from the Association of American Law Schools those schools that practice racial segregation, failed to pass Friday despite the fact that a majority of the delegates voted for the exclusion.

A constitutional provision requires that an amendment get a two-thirds vote in order to pass. Action on the amendment was taken at a convention of the organization in Chicago.

Fifty-four of the delegates voted for the amendment and 43 opposed, with most of the opposition coming from representatives of southern schools.

Tabernacle CME church services were held at 5 a. m. on Christmas morning. A Christmas cantata was presented by the youth choir of the Liberty CME church on Sunday evening.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Mrs. Lucille Sangster on Hays ave., entertained a few friends in her home on Christmas night. Those enjoying a full course turkey dinner with all the fun you could expect mixed in were: The W. R. Bells, the W. E. A. McKissacks, the C. Bledsoes, Otto Jones, Percy Huston, J. T. Beck, Lois Lovette, Howard Golden, Phenoy Granberry, Mrs. E. White, J. A. Cooke, Mr. Nixon, visitor from Chicago and your scribe.

Remember to start the New Year off right and contribute to the March of Dimes. HAPPY NEW YEAR to you from me.

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either. A. F. G. . . . Dear A. F. G. Friends can be a hindrance rather than a help at times. It appears that is what has happened in your case. But don't give up. . . not yet. When around him don't act self-conscious, just be natural. If he mentions the song, tell him it was someone's idea of a joke and it was a very poor joke in your opinion. I don't think you should tell anyone that you like this boy. If your friends think you have lost interest in him I am sure they will stop saying and doing these things which have been anything but helpful to you and your desire to date this boy. After things have settled down a bit, you could get with some of your friends and give a party. If you once break the ice perhaps, he will then ask you for that longed-for date.

Green Hornets To Open Home Stand On Jan. 6

By BERNARD COTTON

The Green Hornets of Owen Junior college will open their home cage season on the 6th of January, against a strong hardwood quintet from Mississippi Industrial college. The fray is slated for 8 p. m. at the Abe Scharaff Branch YMCA.

The Hornets' new basketball coach, Paul Collins — himself a former star with the New York Renaissance, Baltimore Mets and Washington Bruins — promises to

show an improved aggregation to Memphis basketball fans. The writer, having seen the Hornets in action, predicts a better than mediocre showing by such stalwarts as Paul Kelly, rangy center with a 16.6 point average last season; George Lane, guard with a 17.4 point average; Brothers Tommie and Clarence Becton, guard and forward, with 9.9 and 3.9 point averages respectively; and Carl Taylor and Joseph Payne other second-year players. Newcomers to the squad are: Kunoy

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Dowling Joins Cancer Society

NEW YORK — Monroe Dowling, former Collector of Internal Revenue for the Third Revenue district of New York City, has joined the staff of the American Cancer Society as a national representative. He will specialize in Negro affairs, according to Leonard V. Griffith, ACS director of field services.

Dowling's work will involve recruiting and training of volunteer workers and leaders from the Negro population at large and from Negro organizations.

Dowling is married and has a son, 21, a Harvard senior. Dowling was an army captain during World War II.

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Donate Blood To Save Negro

BEAUMONT Miss. — (AP) — Several white persons in this small community on the Mississippi Delta are credited with saving the life of a Negro who was critically wounded in a knife battle.

McNeal Summerall, 30, suffered a severed artery in his temple and was bleeding to death when he was rushed to a nearby clinic. An urgent call for blood went out.

Several white persons, including the physician's wife, donated

blood. A white service station attendant, Lars Brendal who took Summerall to the clinic, paid the medical expenses.

Jamaican Bishop

KINGSTON, Jamaica — Percival William Gibson was elected recently as the first native bishop of the Church of England. He will preside over the Jamaican diocese of the church.

1955 IN REVIEW

Desegregation

(Continued from page 3)

discrimination clauses to them. The amendments were added to the national Reserve Training bill and the federal aid to school construction measure. Pressure from Eisenhower resulted in the defeat of the clauses.

Theodore Berry, city councilman, was the first Negro to become vice-mayor of Cincinnati. And when the mayor of Louisville, Ky., made a trip to Miami this year, Councilman Charles Anderson served as acting mayor to set a precedence.

Greatest uproar in government service was made when Dr.

Frank S. Horne, assistant to Albert Cole, administrator of Home and Housing Finance Agency, was fired from his post along with his aide Mrs. Corrienne R. Morrow. Budget reasons were given for the dismissals.

Horne had worked in the federal government for 19 years, and is rated as an expert on race relations in housing.

Judge Hubert T. Delaney of New York's Domestic Relations Court was not reappointed by Mayor Robert Wagner, and Edward Dudley named to the bench in his place.

Michigan enacted a new Fair Employment Practice law.

Crime

In waging its war against organized gambling across the nation this year, federal and local authorities hit the policy racket a telling blow. As a result of probes in Chicago, the following were among the key men indicted:

James D. Irving, loan agency operator, who is under income tax evasion charges; Julian Black, real estate broker and

former co-manager of Joe Louis; Sanders Scott, Ed Copeland, tavern owner;

Earl White, business man; Harold L. Jackson, former cafe owner; Charles Kirkling and Charles Herring, former member of the police anti-gambling squad. Melvin Clark, northern Kentucky gambling figure, was shot to death on a parking lot in Newport, Ky.

Deaths

The world lost two of its most famous militant fighters for civil rights in 1955 when death claimed Walter White and Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune.

White, 61, an ardent NAACP worker and official for almost 20 years, died of a heart attack in New York City. Over 10,000 persons passed his bier and attended his funeral rites. President Eisenhower was among the leading officials and citizens who sent condolences.

Mrs. Bethune who founded Bethune-Cookman college and the National Council of Negro Women, of which she was president emerita, died suddenly at her home in Daytona Beach, Fla. Some 5,000 persons attended her rites.

Condolences were received from President Eisenhower, Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt and hundreds of top government officials, civic leaders and educators across the nation.

Other noted personages who succumbed in 1955, included: Edwin J. Barclay, 73, former president of Liberia, in Monrovia.

J. H. Mitchell, 73, bank pioneer and president of the Industrial Savings Bank, in Washington.

Mrs. Vivian (Buster) Marshall,

44, wife of Thurgood Marshall, in New York, after a short illness; Jesse Locker, 63, U.S. Ambassador to Liberia, of a cerebral hemorrhage;

Matthew A. Henson, 88, famous explorer and last survivor of the famous Perry Expedition to the North Pole;

Chester A. Franklin, 74, founder and publisher of the Kansas City Call, who died in his sleep; Bishop Douglas O. Walker, 65, of the Fifth Episcopal District, suddenly in Kansas City, Mo.;

Bishop John W. Martin, 76, of the AME Zion church, who worked on the revised edition of the Bible, in Chicago.

Mrs. Maude T. Steward, 80, oldest woman journalist in active service and editor of Boston Guardian, in Boston;

Dr. F. D. Bluford, president of A and T college since 1925, after a two-weeks illness.

Mrs. Raymond L. Jones, wife of the presiding prelate of the seventh episcopal district of the AME Zion church, in Salisbury, N.C.

Claude Roxborough, business man and youngest brother of the famed Roxborough family, in Detroit.

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John Ericson ably carries on the family tradition set by Mark Stevens in an earlier picture in "The Return of Jack Slade," which opens Sunday at the NEW DAISY THEATRE for a three day run, with Mari Blanchard and Neville Brand as his co-stars.

Slade, the father, was a gun-slinging agent for the Wells Fargo Co., a phenomenal marksman and sudden death to any outlaw within miles of Julesburg, Colorado. In this new Superscope film, young Slade also becomes an agent for the law, working with the Pinkerton's to stamp out a murderous band of bank and train robbers who break tradition by having a group of tough young women working as accomplices. Miss Blanchard is cast as one of those women.

Both Ericson and Miss Blanchard, who find romance after he arrives at the gang's hide-away, turn in excellent performances. Brand, in his role as the most vicious member of the outlaws, turns through a memorable characterization. He is a man who is cruel without reason for being cruel, a man who kills without reason for killing, and his final meeting with young Slade is one of the tensest climaxes of the picture.

The balance of the large cast is handled more than competently by expert players, among them being Casey Adams as the leader of the outlaws and Donna Drew, Angie Dickinson and Lyla Graham as the other young women in the outlaw gang.

The picture was produced for the Allied Artists by Lindsley Par-

GUN PAIR



Mari Blanchard and Neville Brand are a pair of outlaws in Allied Artists' "The Return of Jack Slade," opening Sunday at the NEW DAISY Theatre.

Forrest City and Madison Briefs

By RUBY F. TURNER

Hello, Everybody! It is good to begin the New Year with our weekly little visit and to look forward to 51 more of them during 1956. In the Christmas decoration contest prizes were awarded as follows: Doorway, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Burke, Jr., 1st place; Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Burke, 2nd place; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. West, 3rd place; Interior, Mrs. Otis Mae Roberts, 1st place; Mrs. Lillie Stegall, 2nd place; Outdoor, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. West, 1st place; Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Burke, Jr., 2nd place; Business Houses, Burke's Mortuary, 1st place.

Mrs. Mamie Powell of 509 W. Scott street had one of the most enjoyable Christmases of all Forrest Cityans when most of her family spent the holidays with her. Among them were a daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. James Seward of Cotton Plant and their sons, Samuel Seward of A. M. and N. College, Pine Bluff and Pfc. Levern Seward stationed at Tyler, Tex., another daughter, Mrs. Ruby Perkins of Mt. Clemens, Mich., and her son, Sgt. Herbert (Powell) Seward who is home after serving 2 and a half years with the Air Force in Japan, a son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Powell and Miss Carlisle Walker, all of Mt. Clemens, Mich.

Houseguests of Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Burke during the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Presley S. Winfield of Berkeley, California. Mrs. Winfield is the sister of Dr. Burke.

Mr. and Mrs. Clemmons Johnson and children of Gary, Ind., visited with Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Lucas and other relatives. Mrs. Johnson is the former Imogene Lucas.

Visiting with Mrs. Elnora Peoples were her sister and brother, Mrs. Annie Ford of Toledo, Ohio and Cannon Houston of St. Louis, Mo.

Following an extended tour of Paris, France, Austria and other European countries, Sgt. and Mrs.

Freddie Barr with their children, Yjuana, Mackie Faye and Freddie Ardis, arrived in the States and spent the holidays visiting with the J. W. Wests and other relatives and friends. The Barrs were stationed at Kaiserlautern (Vogelwehe) Germany.

The Rev. A. Logwood held his first Quarterly Conference at Lane Chapel CME church Sunday, December 25. Rev. J. H. Telling is the pastor. Preceding the conference, a Christmas Service was held at 6 a. m. The beautiful and impressive service was well attended.

Chief Warrant Officer and Mrs. Hollis T. Arnold, stationed at Macon, Ga., were at home during the holidays with the P. T. Williamses on North Cherry st. Mrs. Arnold is the sister of P. T. Williams. Returning from Christmas vacations were Mrs. Edna Purifoy of the English Department of Lincoln High School and Eldora Ann Turner, a junior at Christ Church Parochial school. They spent Christmas in Chicago and Los Angeles, respectively.

Deny Killer Bail In Miss. Slaying

SUMNER, Miss. — Three justices of the peace last week denied bail to Elmer Kimbell, 34, white cotton gin operator, who is accused of killing Clinton Melton, Negro service station attendant, in cold blood.

With the denial of bail, Kimbell faces three months in jail to await action of the grand jury which does not meet until March.

Melton, well-liked in the Glendora community, was the father of four children. Kimbell told the justices that someone fired at him first and he shot in self defense. He exhibited a bandaged flesh wound.

The U. S. has about 1,000 residential fires every day.



THE TRI STATE DEFENDER STAFF extends greetings of the season to all of their friends! They are shown as they gathered in private celebration during the Christmas holidays at Tony's Place. Staff members and guests include:

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Mrs. Marion Ford, Mr. and Mrs. James H. Purdy, Miss Cora Lawrence, Mrs. Hattie Shields, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Coleman, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander DeLoach, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Grafton, Charles Tisdale, and Ernest Withers.

Other guests seen on the photo are: Earl Withers and his daughters, Thelma and Elaine of Washington, D. C. and Mr. Bishop. Not shown is Mrs. Hattie House, church news, and James Sudduth. (Withers Photo).



WJAK CELEBRATES—"Miss WJAK" and the disc jockeys of the radio station are shown around the birthday cake at the celebration of WJAK's first anniversary on Dec. 4, in Jackson, Tenn. The disc jockeys are from left to right:

Charles Beasley, Roland Porter, Frances Burnett, John Digs and A. T. McFadden. Proudly wearing the crown is Miss Anne McNamee, a Lane college senior. The charming 21-year-old Miss was judged over some 123 contestants as

piring for the title of "Miss WJAK." Miss McNamee received many lovely gifts from Jackson merchants and will represent WJAK in all outstanding events through the year of 1956.

The JACKSON SCENE



Miss Anna Leo

It is the day after Christmas at this moment and I'm sure the medicine chest is working for those who over stuffed. Well, Christmas only comes once a year and the beginning of the New Year is usually spent trying to get off those extra pounds gained during the holidays. I hope Santa didn't forget anyone in making his rounds for he was extremely good to me.

Now for the Jackson happenings. On Wednesday night, Dec. 21 in the beautifully decorated home of Miss Ora Ellington on E. Baltimore St., the Civic Pride club met. An old fashion Christmas party was enjoyed by Mesdames A. d. McNeely, Ovelley Goodrich, Olivia Pruett, Florence Ward, F. Annie Dobbins, Mary Balir, Fern Walker, Pansy Graham, Myrtle Monroe, Mary Fox, Lilli Bell, Estella Tyson, Bessie Merry, Bessie Gordon, Georgia Kelly, Sadie Garrett, Marie M. Penn and guests, Mesdames Ozelle Drain and Beulah Wiley. Mrs. Marie Penn, the very efficient president, was all dressed and packed to take off for the holidays, her destination, Los Angeles Calif. She was leaving that night for Chicago, Ill., to spend a few days with her sister and from there taking a plane to L. A. to visit her daughter, Mrs. Kathleen P. Carr.

A turkey dinner was served with all its trimmings and each person received gifts from the hostess. As one of the projects for the year the club sent Christmas baskets to worthy shut-ins.

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Mother Taylor of 210 N. 15th st. is still on the sick list at her home. Also Mother Starks is ill. She is at her home in Hulbert, Ark. and Brother Porter is ill at his home in Hulbert. All are members of the Morning Star church in Hulbert, Rev. C. Bolden, pastor.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Townes, of 407 N. 9th lost their home and everything they owned in a fire on Dec. 24. They are stopping at Mrs. Lovings. The Townes are members of Mt. Zion Baptist church, Rev. H. Boykins, pastor.

Lawyers Reject Anti-Bias Bill

An amendment to exclude from the Association of American Law Schools those schools that practice racial segregation, failed to pass Friday despite the fact that a majority of the delegates voted for the exclusion.

A constitutional provision requires that an amendment get a two-thirds vote in order to pass. Action on the amendment was taken at a convention of the organization in Chicago.

Fifty-four of the delegates voted for the amendment and 43 opposed, with most of the opposition coming from representatives of southern schools.

Tabernacle CME church services were held at 5 a. m. on Christmas morning. A Christmas cantata was presented by the youth choir of the Liberty CME church on Sunday evening.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Mrs. Lucille Sangster on Hays ave., entertained a few friends in her home on Christmas night. Those enjoying a full course turkey dinner with all the fun you could expect mixed in were: The W. R. Bells, the W. E. A. McKissacks, the C. Bledsoes, Otto Jones, Percy Huston, J. T. Beck, Lois Lovette, Howard Golden, Phenoy Granberry, Mrs. E. White, J. A. Cooke, Mr. Nixon, visitor from Chicago and your scribe.

Remember to start the New Year off right and contribute to the March of Dimes. HAPPY NEW YEAR to you from me.

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Dowling Joins Cancer Society

NEW YORK — Monroe Dowling, former Collector of Internal Revenue for the Third Revenue district of New York City, has joined the staff of the American Cancer Society as a national representative. He will specialize in Negro affairs, according to Leonard V. Griffith, ACS director of field services.

Dowling's work will involve recruiting and training of volunteer workers and leaders from the Negro population at large and from Negro organizations.

Dowling is married and has a son, 21, a Harvard senior. Dowling was an army captain during World War II.

Not counting the recently installed TV antenna on its tower, the Empire State building rises to a height of 1,248 feet.

Green Hornets To Open Home Stand On Jan. 6

By BERNARD COTTON

The Green Hornets of Owen Junior college will open their home cage season on the 6th of January, against a strong hardwood quintet from Mississippi Industrial college. The fray is slated for 8 p. m. at the Abe Scharaff Branch YMCA.

The Hornets' new basketball coach, Paul Collins — himself a former star with the New York Renaissance, Baltimore Mets and Washington Bruins — promises to

show an improved aggregation to Memphis basketball fans.

The writer, having seen the Hornets in action, predicts a better than mediocre showing by such stalwarts as Paul Kelly, rangy center with a 16.6 point average last season; George Lane, guard with a 17.4 point average; Brothers Tommie and Clarence Becton, guard and forward, with 9.9 and 3.9 point averages respectively; and Carl Taylor and Joseph Payne other second-year players. Newcomers to the squad are: Kunoy

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SIDEWALK DUEL Up and down streets all over Memphis there were such scenes as this following the Christmas holiday as youngsters enjoyed their cowboy togs. In this set to Marvin Simmons, right, of

548-B Walker, jumped the white handkerchief to whip his gun out. James Edward Reed, left, of 991-C LeMoine drive, started a lightning draw as the handkerchief started its fall and has his shooting irons

halfway out. Aubrey Jones, of 1413 Greenwood, lets the handkerchief loose as cowboy David Henry Williams, of 884-D Walker court, looks on. (Newson Photo)

Lighting Winners Announced

Mrs. William B. Fowler, chairman of City Beautiful Commission, recently announced the winners in the four divisions of the contest sponsored by the Commercial Appeal and City Beautiful Commission.

Prizes were awarded at City Beautiful headquarters Thursday, Dec. 29.

RESIDENTIAL

First place, \$50 given by the Commercial Appeal, Thomas Brown of 1860 LaPaloma; second place, \$25 given by the Commercial Appeal, Thelma Greene of 1293 Quinn; third place, \$18 shoe certificate, Levy's Ladies Apparel, A. B. Hargrave of 1254 Quinn; fourth place, \$10 grocery certificate, Robinson's Super Market, Mrs. Roxie Anderson of 838 Josephine; fifth place, pair of lamps given by Koffman's Furniture Co., Mr. Claude Foster of 259 West Fay; sixth place, 10 cases Coca Cola, given by Coca Cola Bottling Co., Mrs. J. D. Davis of 980 Woodlawn; seventh place, clothes hamper given by Bond's Variety Store, Mrs. Jane F. Perry of 1395 Melrose Cove; eighth place, a barbecue set given by Pretti Bros. Super, Mrs. A. T. Martin of 28 S. Parkway; ninth place, skirt material, Paul's Tailoring Shop, Mrs. Melvin Hill of 1298 Williams; 10th place, card table given by the Reliable Furniture Co., Mrs. Marie Shipp of 303 W. Waldorf; 11th place, \$5 check, given by the Horn's Grocery, Mrs. Willie May Herron of 1355 Quinn; 12th place, lamp given by the Washington Furniture Co., Mrs. Lucinda McGhee of 1927 Hubert; 13th place, four dinners given by the Four-Way Grill, Mrs. Alberta Allen of 1644 Hubert; 14th place, eight three months passes given by the Ace Theater, Mrs. Sadie Thomas of 1918 Hubert; 15th place, handy broiler given by Pretti Bros. Super Market, Mrs. Joy Horne of 1248 Quinn; 16th place, step-on can given by Pretti Bros. Super Market, John Blades of 1391 Quinn; 17th place, \$5 cleaning certificate, given by Lucky Strike Cleaners, Mrs. Ann F. Benson of 350 Dunlap; 18th place, a mirror given by Jones Hardware, Mrs. L. R. Wood of 707 Edith; 19th place, a camera given by Ed's Camera Shop, Mrs. S. W. Mays of 1035 Alaska; 20th place, a crystal relish dish given by Sam Fortas Furniture Co., Mrs. Josephine Hicks of 1022 Speed; 21st place, a Lazy Susan given by Prescott Drug Store, James A. Dewalt of 696 Edith; 22nd place, certificate for canned goods given by Liberty Cash Grocery, Mrs. Louise Alston of 976 N. Montgomery; 23rd place, case canned goods given by Engleberg's Grocery, Edna Wilkins, of 1885 Boyle; 24th place, box stationery given by the Graham Paper Co., Mrs. Catherine Carter, 2670 Supreme.

Twenty fifth place, towel set, given by the Black and White Stores, Mrs. Kermit Harris of 1391 Melrose Cove; 26th place, smoking set given by Central Prescription shop, Mrs. A. J. Jackson of 1731 Swift; 27th place, cleaning certificate given by Rankin's cleaners, Mrs. Marcella Feffries of 2640 Supreme; 28th place, two ice cube trays given by Sol Shankman Appliance Co., T. J. Loving of 964 Leath; 29th place, two baking dishes given by Square Deal Grocery Co., and \$1 given by the Standridge and Morris Grocery, Mrs. Lester Snell of 1636 S. Main; 30th place, mixing bowl set given by Sterling Furniture Co., Samuel D. Stelle of 899 E. Person; 31st place, picture given by A. Schwab Department store, Annie L. Byrd of 1272 Brown.

DOORWAYS

First place, set of dishes given by Fitzgerald Furniture Co., Timothy Carr of 964 N. Claybrook; second place, Silver Compote given by Dreifus Jewelry Co., Mrs. E. G. Horne of 1722 Greenview; third place, iron given by Katz Drug Co., Benny Perry of 1285 Williams; fourth place, lamp given by Roy Good Furniture Co., Mrs. F. H. Gray, of 1810 Greenview; fifth place, cleaning certificate given by Shaw's Cleaners, Effie L. Williams, 2572 Supreme; sixth place, Television lamp given by the Statler Furniture Co., Marcella Peterson, 258 W. Fields; seventh place, a door knocker given by the Lamar Hdw. store, Susie May Johnson, 1519 Brooks, and eighth place, a gourmet set given by Perel and Lowenstein's, Irene New Guinn, 1390 Grand.

CHAMPIONSHIP

Twenty five dollars given by Universal Life Insurance company; \$25 given by National Burial Insurance Co., and \$10 given by WDIA, Ruth Anderson, 1399 Melrose Cove.

BLOCK

Ten dollars given by T. H. Hayes and Sons; \$5 given by Klondyke Liquor store; \$5 given by Banner Laundry, \$5 given by Memphis Ball Bond Agency, Melrose.

Has Plan For Racial Goodwill

Robert A. Tribble, white, of 3207 Southern ave., a retired I. C. railroad agent and telegraph operator has a plan for moulding goodwill between the races.

He proposes to form an international fraternity — Upsilon Lambda and an international sorority — Theta Sigma for all races and creeds. He also proposes to organize a society for all children — The Theettes. His plan has already been endorsed by officials.



DINNER WAS SERVED at the YMCA Christmas day for several needy families by the Mallory Knights, a charity organization led by Harry Strong. Helping make possible the cooking and serving of the food were Mrs. Magellan Johnson, Mrs. Martha Strong,

Mrs. Ann Hall, and Mrs. Prena Hutcherson, who was chief cook. There were 36 people for the party, 28 of them children who have been deserted by their fathers. Rev. D. E. Herring, chief of chaplains of the Veterans Benefit, Inc., substituted for Rev. E. M. Den-

dy bringing the address. Seen are Mrs. Hutcherson, Jonnie Carist, Alexander Deloach, Jr., Elias Hutcherson, David Bramlett, Harry Strong, Rev. D. E. Herring, Mrs. Almayr Hudson and family, Mrs. Odell

Green and family, Mrs. Cora Hill and family and Mrs. Iva Finney and family. Funds are still needed to carry on the work of the Knights. Send to the Mallory Knights at the Y. M. C. A., 254 S. Lauderdale, Memphis. (Coleman photo.)



VETERANS BENEFIT, INC., of Memphis held its pre-Christmas affair at Beale Street au-

ditorium on Dec. 16. All funds donated were given to needy

veterans and their families. Shown are members of the

organization and friends who attended the party.

Phone Service Expanded Here During 1955

Telephone service was expanded considerably in Memphis during 1955. A total of 10,151 telephones were added, Roy Freeman, district manager for Southern Bell Telephone Co., stated.

This marked a continuation of the largest telephone expansion program ever undertaken here. During the last 10 years, the number of telephones here has increased from 86,020 to 187,096, an increase of 217 1-2 percent. As the economic growth of the area continues, Mr. Freeman pointed out, the demand for telephone service is expected to continue strong.

A number of large construction projects were completed in this part of Tennessee during the past year and others now are in the construction or planning stage. Principal among these were three new central office buildings and

the matching outside cable facilities in numerous subdivisions, which were erected to take care of the unprecedented growth of Memphis and its fringe areas.

In March, the Mutual office, located in the White Station area, was completed; and in December the EXpress office, located in Whitehaven, and the Elmwood office, located in Frayser, were completed and placed in service. A sizeable addition to the downtown building at 201 Court ave. is still in progress and when all the equipment is finally installed in September, 1956, long distance service will be materially improved for all this area.

Memphis' telephone expansion during 1955 was a part of a statewide program, which during the year resulted in the addition of 43,421 telephones to the Southern Bell exchanges throughout Ten-

nessee. More than \$40 million was spent by Southern Bell during the year to expand and improve its service. Approximately \$10 million of such expenditure was made to provide modern telephone service to many thousands of farm families in the rural areas of the state.

As 1955 ends, Southern Bell reports 740,815 telephones in service in that part of Tennessee which it serves. During the last 10 years this total has grown rapidly so that it now is nearly 2 1-2 times the 319,388 telephones that were in service in Tennessee at the end of 1945.

Mr. Freeman stated that Southern Bell hopes to be able to continue with its broad expansion program during the coming year with the end in view of furnishing telephone service to everyone within its areas desiring it at the earliest practicable date.

Mothers Circle Event Held At St. Stephen

The Mother's Circle of St. Stephen Missionary Baptist church had a pre-Yule program. The program had as mistress of ceremonies Mrs. O. C. Crivens, wife of the church minister.

Mrs. Thornton gave a reading; Sister Maborn, a solo; Mrs. Albertine Hudson, a paper; Mrs. M. Johnson, a solo.

Mrs. W. M. Fields, of Eastern Star, honored guest for the program, told the story of the Christmas.

A turkey dinner in the church dining room ended the affair. The circle meets every Tuesday at 11 o'clock in the church. Mrs. M. Perry is circle president Mrs. I. T. Felton, superintendent Mrs. L. Clear, secretary, and Mrs. M. Johnson, reporter.

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