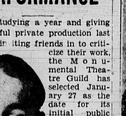
Baltimore Little Theatre Groups Show Spirits of Vitality for 1934 Season

GUILD PLANNING FIRST PUBLIC PERFORMANCE

After studying a year and giving a successful private production last fall, and inviting friends in to criticize their work, the Monumental Theatre Guild has selected January 27 as the date for its initial public production, when it will present three one-act plays in the auditorium of the Metropolitan M. E. Church.



Pinky Clark

They will be "Good Medicine" by Burke and Arnold, "Let's Move the Furniture" by Donald Welch, and "Breeders" by their director, Randolph Edmonds.

The guild chose two exceremely funny comedies and a tragedy for its first public performance. "Good Medicine" centers around a young doctor who is trying to establish a practice. The ailments of his first patient and his method of curing her make an exceedingly funny comedy.

Chita McCard, Mary West, and Lewis Lewis make up the cast of the play. It is being directed by Mrs. Blanche Hughes, who has had considerable experience with the Dallas Negro Players before coming to this city.

Fun Comedy

In "Let's Move the Furniture" the fun centers about Mr. De Voe, who wishes to rid his house of antique furniture. He soon discovers, however, that furniture-moving, like the course of true love, never runs smoothly.

Rosalie Clark, Ruby Grooms, George C. Grant, Talmadge Hill, Pinky Clark, and Howard Cornish furnish the cast. It is being directed by Charlotte Colbert, who made formerly student directoral with the Hampton and Morgan College Players.

"Breeders" is the gripping drama of Negro life presented in the private production of the group. It is being presented on this program because of the large number of inquiries.

The same capable cast which played it last fall will enact the roles again. They are: Irma Kellam, Blanche Hughes, Alfred Hughes, Alfred Moore, and George C. Grant. This play will be in the new vein of one-act plays of Randolph Edmonds, which will be released soon by the Walter H. Baker company of Boston. The production is being directed by the author.

Put Lives of Our Heroes in Drama

From left to right: Willis Richardson, author of "Attucks, the Martyr"; May Miller, author of "Harriet Tubman—Black Moses," and Randolph Edmonds, author of "Nat Turner." These Negro historical plays were written especially for the Morgan College Players' Negro History Week Dramatic Festival on February 15th.

"Miss Whitey" is Guest of Honor at Pansy Divan Party

By GLENNIS HALL

"Society girls" of the Baltimore pansy colony gathered in their cozy and intimate den for a gala party just among the "girls" and "Miss" Whitey proudly that this was the work of Helen Ash Johnson, local beautician. In her ears were long earrings, while on the rounded arms were priceless bracelets.

"You'll have to excuse me this evening," apologized "Mae." "I am not fully dressed. I forgot to put on my busts."

Then bringing up the subject of husbands, "Mae" cooed in a semi-bass voice, "If I had a husband I wouldn't let him out of my sight. I'd go everywhere he went.

"Talo me the wine," sweetly asked the popular "Miss" Whitey. "I can't drink gin because it makes me sick in the tummy." At this "she" flourished a powder puff and applied it to "her" shiny nose.

Turning on the old-fashioned phonograph, "Miss" Whitey, rolling her brown eyes at the predicted, began to twist and turn "her" figure, saying, "Daddy, don't you want me any more?"

"Sure I do, baby! the smooth male replied, "don't I give you my money?"

"Mae West" seemed a bit upset because a certain young man had cramped "her" style when he failed to put in his appearance.

"Oh, dear," she almost wailed, "I wish he would come. When he return won't you bring him with you?" she requested of some departing visitors.

But when the visitors returned without the longed-for boy friend, "Mae" consoled "herself" with the thought that "she" would send him a piece of the simply delicious cake that "she" had cooked especially for him.

After a pleasant evening of playing cards and drinking, the guests of honor departed, left behind a round of several night clubs.

Miss Whitte Mae West

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Robert Burroughs, Misses Theodosia King, Edith Reid, Charlotte Matthews, Ruth Mitchell, Virginia Banks, Mrs. B. V. Prettyman, Messrs. Charles Burns, Charles Turner and Wendell Williams.

LEWIS MURRAY AUTHORS NEW MUSICAL

After many importunities, it is learned musical comedy will vie for the patronage and approval of Baltimore playgoers. Shadows on the Moon," the new offering will be given for the benefit of Morgan College. The new musical comedy is to be written, directed and sponsored by Lewis H. Murray.

Lewis Murray

No Revue

Mr. Murray is reluctant to divulge the story of his new brain child, but admits that it will adhere to the conventional musical play, with little or no attempt to exploit the "revue type" performance. The plot will reveal a well-connected story and will introduce songs and dances that further assure the story being conceived. It is Mr. Murray's idea that musical plays, to be appreciated as well as to be entertaining, should introduce nothing that is not coherent to the plot.

"Respectable Personnel"

Another well-grounded idea of this veteran producer is that musical comedies which are presented locally and which embrace a school boy and school-girl cast should be modest in every phase of their direction. This, he explains, assures a clean theme, censored dialogue, modest costumes and respectable personnel.

The production, which tentatively bears the title "She Did it for Love," is in three acts; and while as yet no definite date has been set, it is expected to take the boards early in the spring. Casting has begun and it is probable that the young well-known thespians will be ably cast:

Misses Lola Mallory, Margaret Jones, Dolores Collins, Rosetta Murray, Geraldine Tungle, Mabel Carlton Covington, Catherine Wyatt, Monterey Kenny, Annie Mae Hughes, Mabel Morsell, Mesdames Stanley Smith, Augustus Knox;

James Soden, Lewis Davenport, Hyson Diggs, Norman Chapman, Harry Rustin and others.

Associated with Mr. Murray in the production of "She Did it for Love" will be Osborne Dixon and a talented theory committee from Morgan College.

Morgan College Group to Give Life of Our Heroes in Drama

What is expected to be one of the most unique celebrations of National Negro History Week will take place on February 15, when the Morgan College Players will present a three-one-act historical Negro plays, written especially for their dramatic festival by three of the leading younger Negro playwrights.

Attucks, the Martyr, by Willis Richardson; Harriet Tubman—Black Moses, by Mae Miller, and Nat Turner, by Randolph Edmonds, will be the offerings.

These plays will not be simple moralistic preachments about famous Negro characters, but they will be real plays, with all of the suspense, melodrama, and character portrayal of the usual one-act play.

Willis Richardson

Willis Richardson gives in his play, Attucks, the Martyr, the stirring story of how Crispus Attucks led his gallant white comrades against the British soldiers in the streets of Boston. This became the first martyrs for the cause of American freedom.

Willis Richardson is the editor of the "Plays and Pageants of Negro Life." He won several prizes in the Opportunity and Crisis literary contests. His plays have been produced by many amateur groups, and several have appeared in anthologies and magazines. The playwright and which have been "The Plays of Negro Life," edited by Locke and Gregory; "Fifty Contemporary One-Act Plays," by Frank Shay, and the "New Negro," by Locke. Others which have included his plays are "The Survey Graphic," and "The Negro Play Number of the Carolina Magazine."

Underground Worker

Mae Miller shows in her play Harriet Tubman, an episode in the life of the famous underground worker where she is making one of her numerous trips to rescue her people from slavery. The plot unfolds her daring escape with an unfortunate band from a section filled with bloodhounds and white overseers.

The young playwright is a teacher in the Douglass High School of Baltimore. She has the distinction of being the leading playwright of the feminine sex. Her plays won prizes in the Crisis and Opportunity literary contests. Her published plays appeared in the anthology, "Plays and Pageants of Negro Life" by Richardson, and "The Negro Plays Number of the Carolina Magazine."

Nat Turner's Life

The play, Nat Turner, brings to life on the stage that daring band of slaves who took part in the terrible Nat Turner insurrection in Southampton County in Virginia in 1831. It shows "prophet Nat" the mystic, leading his ragamuffin band of slaves against the white slave owners.

Randolph Edmonds is director of Morgan College Players, and president of the Negro Intercollegiate Dramatic Association His earlier plays were produced by students in The Crisis and Opportunity contests. He is the author of "Shades and Shadows," a book of six imaginative dramatic stories. His second book, the one of realistic folk tragedies, will be published soon by the Walter H. Baker company, of Boston, one of the largest dramatic publishing companies in the country. Nat Turner, the last of this production, will be included in the volume.

There have been, heretofore, attempts at producing plays about Negro characters by Negro authors. This will be the first serious attempt of a dramatic group to popularize this type of play, however. Much interest is being shown in the project. Other playwrights have expressed a desire to write plays for next year's production of the club.

SINGERS EXCHANGE RECITAL TICKETS

Although he will not be present at the recital of Miss Georgia Lewis, soprano, and William Alva Hill, tenor, will have two seats reserved for him at the orientation of Miss Lawrence in Ames M.E. Church on Tuesday, January 23.

Mr. Hill will begin a recital in the Douglass High School auditorium almost at the same time Miss Lawrence will start her first song the rostrum at Ames. Miss Lawrence, however, has also bought two tickets to his program.

Among those who have been added to the list of hostesses at Miss Lawrence's recital are:

Miss Edith Dorsey, Mrs. Mamie Sorrell Hawkins, Misses Verda Freeman, Mrs. Hattie Norton, Mrs. Regina Wright, Mrs. Jessica Bennett, Mrs. William Priestly;

Mrs. Elvira Bond, Mrs. Lilian Lottier, Mrs. Maude Spencer, Mrs. Lee Ray Wallace and Mrs. Ernest Rone.

"ADAM AND EVA" CAST IN SHOW FOR JOBLESS

To Give Free Performance Under Recreational Division.

One of the outstanding presentations of the free recreational program given under the auspices of the division of recreation under the direction of Gerald E. Allen, will be offered at the Dunbar Junior High School in East Baltimore by the "Adam and Eva" cast, on Wednesday night. The offering will be a compilation of bits and songs from the recently presented "Shadows on the Moon," the most recent play of the company, written by Ralph Matthews.

Sheldon B. Hoskins, director of the company, will also direct this shortened revue which will include some of the principals in song and dance specialties, and is labeled "Dixie Scrapbook."

In the cast will be Harry J. Hunt as master of ceremonies, Thomas Jones, Joseph Jones, Margaret Jones, Hortense Styles, Moore Carson, John Spriggs, the Three Little Dots, Davis and Davis, Alvin Campbell, the Dixie Four, Kitty Rashkids, the boys' and girls' dancing chorus of the show. Many will be given a chance to try their wings in solo work.

The same performance will be repeated in West Baltimore at the Booker T. Washington Junior High School on January 29. The cast is also releasing for a revival of "Shadows on the Moon," scheduled for the Pearl Theatre in Philadelphia, under the auspices of the Paul Laurence Dunbar Theatre Guild, in February.

The first of the free recreational programs for next week will be given by the Morgan College Glee Club at Booker Washington Junior High School, Monday, January 22.

TEACHERS' SALARIES $25 A MONTH

WASHINGTON.—Educational figures, just released, show that in 1932, one out of every thirteen colored school teachers will receive $25 a month in salary, or less.

More than 84,000 rural teachers will receive less than $450 for the year, the figures reveal. Slashing of salaries is responsible.

The United States pays only 2.97 per cent of the national income for education, according to figures. Six cents out of every national dollar.

Fisk Tries Intramural Debating Plan

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—An intramural debating program is to be sponsored by Fisk Class teams are to be organized and a cup is to be presented to the victorious class team. Appropriate medals are to be awarded the members of the victorious team.

A debating society has been formed for those students who are interested students will be eligible. Harlon Beals, 26 of Cairo, Illinois, is president of the society. Wilson Williams, 19, of Kenville, Texas, is treasurer, and Mr. Panayde Nelson, 35 of Chicago, Illinois, is the secretary.

Man Ill from Poison Alcohol

Found lying on the sidewalk at Mulberry Street and Fremont Avenue, Benjamin Tusher, 63, inmate of City Hospital, was taken to University Hospital, where he was found to be suffering from intestinal injuries and possible wood alcohol poisoning. Saturday.

The four broken ribs he earned, has been an inmate at City Hospital for several months. When he was found, Upsher had just returned from the hospital on a 48-hour pass.

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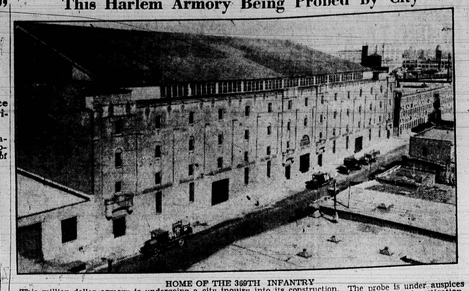
Face Court in Theft

George W. Lanier, 4 North Carlton Street, was ordered held for the action of a magistrate when arrested by Detectives Sweetman and Pritchard on charges of the theft of a trunk, Friday.

Elected Secretary

At the annual meeting of the Mu-So-Lit Club, Inc., of Washington, D.C., held Friday, Maurice C. Clifford local high school teacher, was elected by the overwhelming vote of the club as vice president to succeed M. Grant Lucas. J. A. Lankford and J. Langston Taylor were named vice-presidents, and J. Filipper Derricotte named secretary-treasurer.

This Harlem Armory Being Probed by City



HOME OF THE 369TH INFANTRY

This million-dollar armory is undergoing a city inquiry into its construction. The probe is under auspices of the city, with the secretary of the New York State Armory Board having charge of the investigation. Colonel John G. Girmbry, white, is commander of the armory. The building is located at 142nd Street and Fifth Avenue, in Harlem.

No Shaking of Hands Now; Cuban President Forced Out

Photo shows Ramon Grau San Martin, president of Cuba, shaking hands with Col. Fulgencio Batista, his army chief. This was in August of last year. This week, San Martin was forced out of office with the consent of the army.

ASSAULTS SHOW DECREASE HERE

A decrease of 93 assaults were reported by the Police department for the month of December last week of the year showed that there were 93 assaults with weapons, that well.

Fined $50

Henry Bowman, 240 Lexington Avenue, was fined $50 and costs on charges of cutting Miss Mary Harding, during a dispute caused by jealousy.

Miss Earlen Brown, 1553 Harford Avenue is charged in the Northern district police on charges of cutting the throat of Miss Mae Hoffman, 35 who is in the Sinai Hospital in a critical condition.

Shoved by Linwood Fowlkes, 1422 E. Chase Street, during a dispute at a dance, Miss Mae Gardner, 1422 Cecelia Lane, 24, 818 Bond Street, fell to the sidewalk and sustained a fractured left arm and elbow, Saturday. She was treated at the Mercy Hospital. Fowlkes, 19 years was cited by police on charges of assault.

Struck Wife

Because he struck his estranged wife, Mrs. Marcella Byrd, 1624 Franklin Street, while attending a dance at the Strand Ballroom, Rodney Ford, 24, 1035 Myrtle Avenue, was fined $12 and costs for assault and disorderly conduct in the ballroom Sunday.

Man Stabbed

David Clark, 1308 Madison Avenue, reported to police that during an argument with his sister-in-law Gaythrie Clark, 1208 Madison Avenue in her apartment he was stabbed in the hand.

Others in assault cases were: Ernest Bailey, 1 E. Read St.; R. Hughes, 1 Hamburg Street, 142 W. Hughes, Sherman Berry, 1350 Presstman; Noah Nyman, 1 Oxford; Walter Blackwell, 1011 Madison; Percy Adams, 221 Hanson.

Earlen Brown, 1553 Pronti; William Rice, 1918 Eutaw; James Newson, 603 Bond; Lafayette Jeffries, 1325 Mosher; Richard Bumbry, 319 Saratoga; Edward Blake, 766 W. Baltimore; James Bailey, 223 Rock; Benjamin Ewell, 833 Vine.

CWA Jobs for 80 Teachers

CHICAGO, Ill. (ANP). Reemployment of 80 colored teachers to form projects under the CWA on the South and West Sides, was announced the Chicago Heights was announced this week by the office of Dr. Martin Haynes Bickhab, Civil Works administrator of Cook County.

Mexico Teaching Masses

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(ANP)—Since the last Mexican Revolution there has been a definite attempt to educate the masses of people, most of whom are in rural districts. Dr. Rafael Ramirez, Mexican assistant minister of education, told the students of Howard University, Wednesday.

Chosen School Board Head

HOPKINSVILLE Ky. (By ANP)—W. M. Bowles has been elected president of the Colored Ceo Board of Education. Other members are John Rosson, Richmond Williams, John McReynolds, and Prof. Alex Hopson. Mrs. Pauline M. Robinson is secretary, and Dr. M. A. Mellon, treasurer.

DR. S. L. CARSON DEFENDANT IN $10,000 SUIT

Physician Blamed for Death of Mrs. Madeline Scott Early.

MOTHER CLAIMS M.D. NEGLIGENT

Post - Operative Care Called Improper.

WASHINGTON—Dr. Simeon L. Carson, prominent physician and surgeon, 1913 Third Street northwest, is named as the defendant in a suit for damages of $10,000 on account of the death of Mrs. Madeline Scott Early, wife of Dr. Benjamin H. Early, a dentist, 115 R Street northwest, following an operation last July.

The suit was filed in the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia last Thursday by Mrs. Maggie Scott mother of Mrs. Early and administratrix of her estate, through Howard and Hayes and Ambrose Shief, Jr., attorneys.

In her bill of complaint, Mrs. Scott charges that negligence and carelessness on the part of Dr. Carson were responsible for the death of her daughter. She alleges that Dr. Carson did not properly treat Mrs. Early after an abdominal operation, in which he removed a tumor and her appendix.

She He Wasn't Around

On the other hand, she asserts, the surgeon left the city without properly treating and advising her daughter, rendering himself unavailable to his patient or others acting on her behalf.

Mrs. Scott says he left no physician in charge of the case and no word as to the history of the operation so that proper post operative treatment might have been given. Such information, she avers, was available to his proper medical staff.

A second count alleges that Dr. Carson delayed Mrs. Early from Lincoln Hospital, leaving her without professional attention at a time too soon for her to be discharged, and a third count alleges that he failed and neglected to give her adequate care, skill and ability in her post operative treatment.

I.L.D.'S HIT NAACP LYNCH DATA OF 1933

NEW YORK CITY.—New charges that the N.A.A.C.P. figures for lynching in the United States during the year 1933 and those given by Dr. R. R. Moton of Tuskegee are in error, were made by the I.L.D. this week.

The I.L.D. has pointed out that the N.A.A.C.P. lists one lynching in South Carolina, one in Mississippi, and one in Texas, not given by Dr. Moton. On the other hand, Dr. Moton's figures show two lynchings in Alabama and one in Florida, not cited by the N.A.A.C.P.

It is contended that these discrepancies show that there were more than the 28 which the figures of both institutions are agreed admitted by one or the other of them.

About to Die, Wanted Rye Highball

OSSINING, N.Y.—With only five hours of life before him, Joe Willis, 25, begged Sing Sing officials Thursday night for a glass of rye highballs before his march to the chair.

Scheduled for the chair along with Willis was Thomas Tuskens and Herman Cunningham, each 23, with the time set at 2 a.m. Friday. Willis killed Patty Bastone, white, in a cafe holdup.

NOT BIGAMIST, BUT LOSES $100

CHICAGO — (ANP) — Finis was written in the Gordon Jackson case, many charges this week when Judge Lucian Trude affirmed his decision that there was no bigamy.

Jackson married Miss Ethel Mae Jackson, widely known physician, January 3, when Florence Bray, former Howard University student, was 17th marrying Mrs. Lelia Jackson, generally promoted third wife, December 27, before his divorce decree was signed.

Mrs. Florence Bray, who had neglected to sign the decree which had been prepared for her, filed suit for annulment of her marriage, pre-dated it when the decree was brought to his attention. On a motion by Mrs. Florence Bray, Jackson's attorney, charged that the decision, Judge Trude refused to grant the complainant an additional hundred dollars relief from Dr. Jackson.

JULIAN GOT NO CASH, SAYS HEARST LAWYER

NEW YORK—A denial that any monetary settlement had been made with Colonel Hugh Mason Wilson and Col. Huoert Julian, who sued the paper for libel, was made by Mauldin Rosenthal, attorney for the Hearst publications this week.

Last week it was announced that the "Flying Colonel" had been given a considerable amount to withdraw his suit for damages growing out of the published story that Julian had been kicked out of Abyssinia, when he accompanied Haile Selassie.

The Hearst attorney denied that any settlement had been made with Colonel Wilson, and that the latter had voluntarily withdrawn his action against the paper. Julian however, insists that he was handsomely paid but refuses to state the amount.

RACKETEERS SEEK DEPRIEST'S SUPPORT

NEW YORK CITY—Although the meeting was thought to be one of a sensitive and white-organized group, Congressman Oscar DePriest found that the gathering he attended in a Harlem political club was actually a racketeers' scheme, according to the New York News.

The News declared that Congressman DePriest was requested, through a spokesman, to use his influence with Mayor La Guardia in getting protection for numbers barons and Daniel Trode of gambling by several New York politicians.

Mr. DePriest was reported to have spurned the proposal and greeted the overtures with surprising anger. He declared that he thought the meeting to have been called for the purpose of discussing vital matters of the city.

CHAIR VICTIM'S PLEA UNANSWERED BY F.D

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(ANS)—A letter to the President with an earnest plea that he failed to save Ralph Edward Holmes, who was executed on Friday for the alleged murder of Patrolman Milo J. Ketcham and two others accused of being implicated.

The men were electrocuted in the mess hall of the prison at 1 a.m. hours after 200 men had gathered in the prison yard to witness the execution the chair was taken down and forever minutes later the inmates were given another meal.

In his letter to the President, Holmes said:

"I am 24 years old, with a good record and I feel that you would be justified in commuting my sentence to life imprisonment so that I may live to atone for my wrong."

Six Schools Merge for Summer

ATLANTA, Ga. — (ANP) — Six other institutions will co-operate with Atlanta University in conducting the summer school this year. It was reported this week. Spelman College, Morris Brown, Clark, and Morehouse are among those taking part in the agreement.

HARLEM Y.M.C.A. IS OUT TO GET $5,000 IN DRIVE

NEW YORK CITY —Embarking upon an intensive drive to raise $5,000 as its share in the city-wide YMCA drive for funds, the West 135th Street Branch last Wednesday set members of its campaign organization to the Hotel Commodore, as part of the mass movement.

The staff of the new million-dollar Harlem building, headed by Henry E. Craft, executive secretary, expects to be successful in raising the amount allotted for Harlem.

At a recent membership cabinet meeting, Mr. Craft stated that, for the fiscal year just ending, the West 135th street branch had finished the term free of debt, and enters 1934 with a clean slate.

He further said that the barber shop and the cafeteria were operating at a profit and not at a loss, as were similar places in other Y's in the city. Also that 80 per cent of the rooms in the dormitory were occupied.

Officers and members of the campaign committee are:

Lemuel L. Foster, chairman; Fred R. Moore and Watt Terry, vice chairmen; Henry E. Craft, executive secretary, and Alexander Sander, director.

Captains of the teams are:

Alan L. Dingle, Junius M. Green, Mazeo A. Thomas, William Lloyd Wortham. Lieutenants are: William Green, James Gardner, Elmo Anderson, Moses Jones, Jr., and James E. Allen.

Special attention to the financial campaign is being given the Y boy members and the boys' department, who have organized their own teams and campaign. The slim and the boys' department is to raise $1,000.

Off to California

THE REV. A. CLAYTON POWELL, pastor of Abyssinian Baptist Church, New York, who left last week for California by way of the Panama Canal. He will also see something of Cuba, Panama and Mexico.

SAY JAILER ROBBED SCOTTSBORO BOYS

NEW YORK CITY—Charges that Ozie Powell and Eugene Williams, the two youngest of the Scottsboro boys, have been robbed by prison authorities, were made last week by William L. Patterson, national secretary of the International Labor Defense.

These charges were made in an open statement and in a wire to the authorities of Jefferson County, Hal Birmingham, Ala., where seven of the boys are being held, demanding that the property be given to the boys.

They were made on the basis of information received by the I.L.D. in a letter from the boys, stating that they had received no letters or greetings during the Christmas holidays.

"The Scottsboro boys have been adopted by nearly fifty branches of the International Labor Defense, all over the country, and most of them sent holiday packages and greetings," Patterson said.

Efforts which have been made by I.L.D. representatives in Birmingham to see the boys are reported to have failed. Requests are now made for a nat'l-wide protest to be directed against the Alabama authorities.

SUBWAY SYSTEM COMES UNDER FIRE

NEW YORK—(ANP)—Samuel A. Alper, industrial secretary of the New York Urban League, in a recent report charges that the Independent Subway System, owned and operated by the City of New York, has deliberately refused admittance to colored men in its offices for motormen and conductors.

Mr. Alper said that every effort had been made to secure the admittance of qualified men to these positions, but in every case they had been rebuffed.

It is against the law in the state of New York to discriminate in any public institutions on the basis of race and color. It is hoped that an appeal will be made to Fiorello La Guardia to remove this color bar.

Penniless Lawyer Buried by Fellows

NEW YORK CITY—The laid penniless, December 29, was buried in Woodlawn Cemetery, in the Bronx, Westchester lass, but on her return to Washington, well, that's diff.... Lawyer Assembly Hall took up a purse for the funeral expenses.

Funeral services were held from legal parlors, with the Rev. Etheldred Brown of Hubert Harrison Memorial Church, officiating.

Liquor License Grafter Grilled

NEW YORK CITY—Grilled on charges of having accepted money in exchange for securing liquor licenses for distillers, Isaac Eric Eliot, John Edgecombe Avenue clerk, of the liquor license department, agreed Thursday to help convict others implicated in the racket.

Eliot was grilled in general sessions court Thursday to two indictments charging him. He is charged with accepting illegal fees and with the obstruction of justice.

Mitchell Is Again Made Deputy Sheriff

NEW YORK CITY—Charles W. B. Mitchell, president and Republican leader of the 21st assembly district, was reappointed deputy sheriff of New York county this week. It is rumored that Mitchell will probably succeed Commissioner J. Morton as civil service commissioner.

Dr. Emmett Scott, New York Speaker

Dr. Emmett J. Scott (right), secretary of Howard University, congratulates Henry K. Craft, executive secretary of the West 135th Street Y.M.C.A., on the first anniversary of occupancy of the $1,100,000 building.

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BELIEVE ME

By MALCOLM B. FULCHER

TO A SUCCESSOR

Yours: the lights within her eyes;
Yours: her red and ruby lips;
Yours: her comments, crisply wise.
On shoes and sealing wax and ships.

Yours: her low and lovely voice;
Yours: her dulcet billet-doux
Yours: her firm (but subtle) choice
Of where to go and what to do.

Yours: her hert, on short term leasing;
Yours: her gentle witticisms;
Yours: to bow to capricing
And her frequent criticisms.

—Le Baron.

I Cover the Gossip Front:

Yeah, it's me! Where've I been? Well it is a long story and on account of 'cause I don't like long stories I don't think that I shall relate it here. I realize that this week there will be quite a few (four I should say) people that will curse under their breath and muttor to themselves, "Hell, I though that guy was fired." While the other six, led by Mother, will send up cheers for my return. (Praise at this time while applause from Mother dies down) Thank you, Mama! I have often been referred to as the Milton Berle of Journalism, grabbing off other guys' lines, gags and what have you, and at the same time in my own inimitable style getting a few choice scoops of my own.

Now, folks, I am afraid that you shall be bored or amused by me for a while longer at any rate. You see as long as the ever-loving staff of the AFRO manages to get enuff scratch to lay on said line I shall be laying said rackets. Column may come and columns may go, but I lie around forever, or sumpin'. New York has been rather quiet these past few weeks, it being quite apparent that the good citizenry had their share of fun and foolishness during the hectic holiday week and are now conserving their energy and their spending for the latter part of the month.

**Reggie Weir, the tennis sensation, and Rose Morgan, the Ka-yute Hampton femme, are Holding Hands Out Loud. Those on the Dawn Patrol would have you believe that Rae Gray Mills and Buddy Avery, star basketer of Sigma's five, were quietly sealed on New Year's Eve, but that is just so much talk.... Add to the list of items you should meet: One Lucille Wilson of D.C., or so the locals would have you believe.... Margie (Mickey Mouse) Taylor, of Dayton, Ohio, who has been missing from these parts for weeks, ran into New York from Hempstead, Long Island, for a few days last week. Margie is now a regular visitor at the Capital Club. It will having heart burns about his frat, Leo Butler, former beauty at the Ohio school.... Congrats to Ernie Ash and Lenore Madden, who quietly merged on the 23rd of December.... It is the blind Sam Langford, the famous pug of former years, that is operating that hot spot in Harlem, that the famous sets have been attending nightly.... And when you are tired of Harlem Night Life and what it has to offer, try the Black Cat Inn, down in the Village, for an evening of diversified entertainment—bring your out-of-town friends, they'll go for the place.... and as will you, if you don't wear evening dress.... There are those that would have you believe that certain gals could never open in a poker game.... They only have a small pot.... The old rounders will tell you that this year's Alpha-Omega Game, reminded one of the games of former years with most all of the boys and girls on deck and the wagering heavy and speedy.... The reason Bill (Boston) Braithwaite didn't show in N'Yawk during the holiday season is because he was busy in Boston, where he was married to Miss Kathryn Perry, former frau of that well-known orch pilot, for her splendid singing of "I'm Crazy Over Love." Bill, who is a former Boston, Frank Steele, broke his former speed record of four and a half hours.... that guy oughta be driving on a race track.... They say that Bill will tell you that the marital bliss between that newest of announced secret marriages, is NOT so good.... Talk about the Black Cat Inn, down in the Village, for an evening of diversified entertainment....