Editorial Page

THE AFRO-AMERICAN

An Independent Weekly Newspaper

What the AFRO Stands for:

1. Colored policemen, policewomen and firemen.
2. Colored representatives on city, county and State boards of education.
3. Equal salaries for equal work for school teachers without regard to color or sex.
4. Colored members of boards of State institutions where inmates are colored.
5. The organization of labor unions among all groups of colored workers.
6. A university and agricultural college for colored people supported by the State.
7. Closer co-operation between farmers and the State and Federal farm agents.

What Kind of Shoes Should Co-eds Wear?

Howard University co-eds, fuming this week because Miss Alida Banks, the dean of women, banned the wearing of French toeless shoes, may get a bit of consolation out of the fact that the student committee of the University of Washington, white, banned the wearing of the new strapless evening gowns at their proms and supply the offenders with suspenders.

This merely indicates how important the issue as to what to wear and what not to wear is to young women of both races who are seeking an education. An old fogie might be constrained to observe that the present generation are more concerned about what they put on their backs than what they put into their heads.

The right to indulge in personal adornment is the God-given right of the fair sex, we concede, and no worse cruelty can be heaped on any woman, regardless of age, than to compel her to wear an article that is not in style or is out-moded.

But the AFRO believes that Dean Banks, with the health of hundreds of young women as her personal responsibility, was justified in placing the dictates of common sense above the dictates of the Goddess of Fashion when, for the winter months, she banned the wearing of shoes which fail to give her charges the necessary protection against colds and other ailments.

She was undoubtedly doing her job as she saw it when she barred them from certain cafes where young people gather to dance the shag and to spoon.

To the average family of color, giving their children an education is not only a luxury but an investment in which one parent or both must make many sacrifices.

The parents back home will certainly feel that Dean Banks is doing all she can to protect their investment and give them the greatest return on their money, when she does all requisite to see that they come home good, sober students, instead of flighty jitterbugs.

Dean Banks's rule may seem despotic to the students and autocratic to local business men whose enterprises may suffer temporarily, but back in the hundreds of homes whose daughters' fates are in the hands of Howard University, mothers and fathers are breathing a sigh of relief to know that Dean Banks is taking her job of foster parent seriously.

Low Income Groups Are Sick More

ARE YOU IN THE MARKET FOR HEALTH?

Then look at the above graph, prepared by Consumer Research, and you will get some idea of what you are likely to get for the money you can afford to pay.

There is no doubt, but that people could govern their lives in such a way that they would live longer and be ill less, but on the whole, as the diagram above points out, you buy your health just as you do other commodities.

If you are on relief the chances are that you and those with you will be ill average about sixteen and one-fourth days of illness a year.

Ill Eleven Days

If you are not on relief, but the total income of your family is less than $1,000 you are among the group which will average eleven and three fourths day of illness.

If you are in the income group between $1,000 and $2,000 annually, you are due to be ill seven and one-half days out of each year to keep up with the average of this group.

But if you are fortunate enough to have a family income of from $2,000 to $3,000 yearly you should be well on the average on all but seven days in the year, and if over $3,000, on all but six and one-half days.

The Poor Are Ill Oftener

The point of this editorial is that poor people are sick more than people who are not poor and that all of the statistics which show larger percentage of illness and deaths among colored people or any other racial group, mean that more of them are in the lower income groups.

Along with right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, Americans are just beginning to ask the right to health.

The only secure right to health is the right to work at the same kind of jobs and receive the same kind of pay which other citizens receive.

Have a Care, Cyclists

Bicycling, which returned to favor as a sport and a pleasurable exercise during the past year has also, traffic officials point out, developed into one of the major accident hazards in the city.

So careless have youngsters on bicycles become that there is a decided tendency in the hearing of traffic cases to discount testimony that seeks to show that bicyclists are blameless in accidents with automobiles.

Young bicyclists, and some not so young, swing onto street cars, hold onto automobiles and because their vehicle is small and can dart in and out of lines of traffic, take the greatest risks of being struck.

Bicyclists also frequently fail to have proper head and tail lights and so increase the hazard of being struck after dark.

If your child is a bicycle rider see that he observes traffic regulations as to crossing only on green lights; advise him against hitching onto trucks, street cars or automobiles; see that his bicycle has the proper lighting attachments, and that if he rides at night he wears a white cap, a white band across his back or that his coat or sweater is white or so light that it may easily be picked up by oncoming headlights.

Concords and Discords

By W. LLEWELLYN WILSON

Music lovers attended in large numbers the concert given here this week by the choral unit of the popular radio feature, "Wings over Jordan."

This group of spiritual singers, which is heard weekly on a nation-wide broadcast, has attracted the attention of listeners throughout the country. The group is made up of singers who have sung in church choirs, and now as a feature of the program directed by the Rev. Glenn T. Settle, they are bringing to the world at large a type of singing that is quite distinctive.

The songs and hymns which make up their repertoire are the well-known spirituals and simple melodies. The male portion of the choir is quite a striking feature of the group. Their voices are unaffected, resonant, and true to pitch. The women's voices are at times strident and a bit throaty, but the serious, intelligent manner of their delivery leaves one with the feeling that music of a very exalted type is being projected, devoid of any artificiality or attempt at high-brow artistry.

Comes from Heart

The singing of the "Wings over Jordan" group seems to emanate from the hearts and spirits of the singers. The media, that is, the songs and the vocal production, seem to be secondary considerations in the hearts and minds of the singers; hence the general effect produced is that of edifying the listeners.

In striking contrast to some other well-known radio singers who have appeared in Baltimore, the programs of the "Wings over Jordan" group are happily free from theatrical effects and clowning which is so distracting and reprehensible in singing of this genre.

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The membership of the City Colored Orchestra is steadily increasing, and what is more, instrumentation is being enriched. Last year the woodwind and brass wind choirs were very weak due to several withdrawals. The City Colored Orchestra, in addition to the usual string choir, has three clarinets, one flute, two trumpets, and two trombones. These additional players have strengthened the ensemble.

Planning for Christmas

Local church choirs are preparing for Christmas services. Baltimore churches always have had a reputation for their elaborate Christmas church programs.

There are several reasons for this. Baltimore has, for a number of years, been blessed with the presence of organists in the white churches who have developed excellent music in their own churches and at the same time they have given encouragement to the serious-minded colored organists. The late Joseph Ockeney, Daniel E. Stewart, Annie Nichols, and the well-known Herbert Y. Johnson all employed colored singers with many local white organists and choirmasters.

The writer is often puzzled as to the attitude of some church groups who refuse to employ talented children to practice upon their church organs. The writer distinctly remembers when, for several years as an advanced student in organ, he was permitted to practice daily on the excellent organ at the Mount Vernon Methodist Episcopal Church.

Our local church choirs have a rich heritage in the number of musical choristers are still heroically striving to carry on. Among them are some renowned singers as Grant Biddle and William B. Hamer.

Inquiring Reporter

What's Your Question?

QUESTION: Many persons feel that giving baskets of provisions to needy families at Thanksgiving and Christmas takes the place of and is more helpful than making gifts the year around. Which do you think is the better method?

WARNER JACKSON, merchant at 1216 Pennsylvania Avenue: "Organizations that feel disposed to help destitute families, should make some effort to aid them more often during the year rather than making a show at Christmas."

ADRIAN DATCHER, shoemaker of 573 Laurens Street: "Although it would be a good idea for people to distribute things to the needy at intervals during the year, at Christmas time everyone expects something different, a gift from someone, particularly the children."

ERNEST SHARP, 812 Edmondson Avenue: "I think that clubs should make contributions rather donations to the poor the year round, rather than only Thanksgiving and Christmas."

MRS MARY CALBOTT, 552 Mother Street: "I think it is better to give baskets at Christmas time. I would like to get one myself as I am out of work. If you are going to give out baskets, don't forget a poor woman like me."

WILLIAN WILSON, 722 Franklin Street: "I think it's better to give food at Christmas time."

MRS. LAVINIA GORDON, 728 Pennsylvania Avenue: "That's a hard question. We know they need help daily, but at Christmas everyone is looking for something. They ought to be cheered then even though they have to live after Christmas."

MISS MARGARET DEMANN, 2141 Druid Hill Avenue: "I think it's good to give at Christmas and give all the year round too. Needy persons are always with us and I think they appreciate it at all times."

Capital Spotlight

By LOUIS LAUTIER

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About a year ago at a prize-fight a pal whispered to me he had $500 he wanted to donate through the medium for shoes and overcoats for needy boys. He stipulated that his name be kept secret, that the shoes be bought at G. B. Reid's department store, and that distribution be made through the Twelfth Street Branch YMCA.

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His terms were carried out. The boys were selected by their teachers on the basis of their needs and were recommended by their principals. Lee Johnson, the boys' secretary at the Twelfth Street YMCA interviewed them and gave them orders either for shoes at Reid's or for overcoats at Long's Credit Clothiers, an AFRO advertiser.

Incidentally, Long's sold the overcoats at cost, giving up its profit so that more boys might have overcoats—and they needed them too.

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That was the beginning of the Capital Spotlight Shoe and overcoat fund for needy boys. It ought to be continued this year. Just how much the donor of last year will give is not known. It's even money he will donate as much as he did last year for this purpose. But others, who are making dough and can afford to contribute, ought to toss in some blue chips.

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According to Elmer Campbell, the cartoonist, writing in Esquire Esquire, swing was born in the redlight district of New Orleans in the early '80's and '90's —spawned by a group of shouters and sepia musicians who could not read music. He credits Jelly-roll Morton (The Jellyroll Blues) with being the first man to play "blues" with an orchestra and devote his whole time to perfecting them.

Elmer needs to stick to his cartooning. As far as he intimates that modern ragtime originated in the South and West he is correct. But just a little research would have informed him that syncopation has been used from time immemorial by the world's greatest musicians — Handel, Beethoven, Schumann, Liszt and Tchaikowsky.

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The syncopation of the African song was the fore-runner of American ragtime, jazz, blues and swing. As dance musicians, sepias held a favorite place in the South even before the Civil War when a lone fiddler or a small orchestra was used to entertain the family and guests.

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Over 50 years ago a sepia from Canada located in Detroit. With his mate and son he organized the Dandy Quadrille Orchestra. This orchestra was first augmented by clay musicians, as the sepia population increased Finney employed all sepias.

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Finney's saloon at Jim Mulcahy. Spurred to creative efforts, Handy and his band introduced at Main and Madison Streets a piece called "Mr. Crump." Crump became mayor and Handy famous as the writer of blues, although for some years the credit due him was given to others.

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TRIVIA: Jimmy Hudgins and Harvey Strothers Will soon be wedded. Grace Miller is operating a circulating library. Jean Taylor brought a lot of showmanship to the "Footlight Follies" the other night.

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The big banks in the numbers game took me play again Monday. It was an off-day at Tanforan, where they are selling the number, and they wouldn't gamble on the Fair Ground, the track where the gee-ees were running.

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Anti-Semitic covenants are being put on certain Washington real estate. A doll had to hold up her panties in the Harlem After Dark dance number in the "Footlight Follies" the other midnight.

Lipstick

By LULA JONES GARRETT

Every wife has either a profound blessing or a profound sorrow for her mother-in-law. For husbands are not born, they are made. And their making comes in the years when they are under a mother's guidance, not in the after years when they have achieved a wife's help.

There has been a lot of good talk gone to waste in the matter of a good woman being able to make a husband of any man. There is a lot of truth in the statement, a silk purse cannot be made from a sow's ear.

Mothers-in-law have taken a lot of abuse as the butt end of jokes; they have also gone without a lot of deserved praise for turning out good husband material.

Deference for womanhood, a sense of responsibility, pride in home life and a desire to do the right thing, whether it be by wife, child community or country, is instilled in the formative years, and comes in the teaching that include sharing his apples with sister, lifting chores from mother's back, sympathizing with his little playmate when she bumps her head, shielding his little cousins from unpleasantness and assuming his responsibilities in all instances.

A boy cannot be allowed to grow up selfish, egotistic, irresponsible and expect to expect love, either given or received, to make a marriage or transformation. What he has been given by his mother, he will make a gift to his bride. This, of course, is true in the matter of wives, too.

Yes, for the thousands of commendable husbands, there is a mother in the background before whom each wife, who has one, should bow in gratitude.

And on the other hand, the wife who drew the prize (it cannot be exactly blamed for a few rife thoughts in the direction of the other mother-in-law who set out a package of misery in her path.

THE DEBUTANTE

By WILLIAM HENRY HUFF (For A.N.P.)

Keep eyes on her romances
Don't let them go too far.
And see with whom she dances—
Is he married or a bar?
The way is always narrow
That leads to happiness.
And straight as an arrow,
O, look for nothing less.

Tell her in deed of pleasure,
Are wolves always already
Ready to devour unawares,
Such as their glaring mire.
As ever her path she glances,
She can but see their rues:
Who then would the lass chances?
She has too much to lose.

George W. Biddle Is Eulogized as Pioneer

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following statement was part of observations made by George B. Murphy, Sr., at funeral services for the late George W. Biddle, Baltimore's first colored school principal.

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Next year we shall celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of the graduation of the first class of nine women and two men from the colored high school of Baltimore.

Prior to this event the City Council of Baltimore had passed an ordinance making students, who graduated from the colored high school with an average of eighty-five per cent eligible to teach in the public schools of Baltimore without examination.

There had been much agitation for colored teachers in colored schools, and the authorities had been induced to build a twelve-room school building at Riggs and Carrollton Avenues for colored children to be staffed by colored teachers.

Seven Were Eligible

Of the twelve teachers required to man this school, this first graduating class produced but seven, who made the required eighty-five per cent average for certification.

It was at this point that Mr. Biddle came into the picture.

About this time the City of Baltimore decided to annex the Waverly section, which was then in the county. The schools were to be taken into the city corporation also.

Mr. Biddle, then teaching in the Waverly school, was brought into the city system. This 1888 Annexation Act also gave the city Miss Roberta Sheridan, Mrs. Mary J. Camper, and Miss Nannie B. Groomes.

Miss Barbour Elevated

Along, therefore, with the high school graduates who qualified, these teachers from the annex were transferred to No. 9. Mr. Biddle was made principal of the boys' department, and Miss Fannie Barbour, who was teaching at Catonsville, took and passed the examination with an exceptionally high mark, and was made principal of the girls' department.

An important angle to the opening of this new school was that President John T. Morris of the school board, told Mr. Biddle and Miss Barbour that the school was an experiment and that if it succeeded there would follow, in due course of time, the establishment of other schools to be taught by colored teachers.

At the close of the first year Mr. Morris reported to his board that the experiment was a great success and that he was perfectly satisfied with the work done, and reason why he should be held Mr. Biddle and Miss Barbour in such high esteem is, we can't help wondering what would have happened if they had failed.

They Made Good

They did not fail. They made good. We now have fifty men and women holdings positions as principals and supervising officers and 700 teachers in Baltimore city schools. We owe these two fine characters a debt of gratitude.

Miss Barbour died a short time ago. Now Mr. Biddle follows. He is not dead, this friend of our affection. He has gone into that school where he no longer needs our poor protection, and where Christ Himself doth rule.

Ends First Year as Policewoman

MRS. VIOLET HILL WHYTE

By BETTYE MURPHY

Mrs. Violet Hill Whyte, Baltimore's only colored policewoman, observed her first anniversary as a member of the police department attached to the Northwestern district, December 1.

In an interview on Thursday morning in her office on the second floor of the station, she told this reporter that the greatest joy she has had during the past year is the 100 per cent co-operation from all people with whom she works.

In addition she said: "I am proud of the fact that I have not incurred the enmity of anyone so far as I know."

Year Went Fast

Mrs. Whyte marveled that this year went so fast for her. She has been continually busy, here and there, working and helping others.

Questioned as to what case gave her the greatest satisfaction, she said it was the closing of the Sugar Bowl, a store.

After investigation and warning, Mrs. Whyte had the proprietor of the confectionery and about 15, youngsters summoned to the juvenile court.

Bad Bad Influence

Mrs. Whyte reported that it was frequented by young people who were either truants from the courts and that they influenced the conduct of other young people who patronized the place.

The big attraction of the store, she said, was a nickelodeon.

The proprietor was given a suspended sentence in the Northwestern police court and the store eventually closed, she said.

Her Saddest Case

Her saddest case, Mrs. Whyte said, was one in which a woman suffering with a dangerous ailment eventually went insane. She found the woman in bed with a baby who also had the disease.

The health department refused to admit the woman and her child. The woman crawled out on the street and was attacked by three half-drunken men. She was taken to the hospital and died there a few days later. The fifth and dirt were unbelievable, she added.

Mrs. Whyte's duties as policewoman are varied. She helps destitute persons, advises those seeking relief as to the proper procedure, supplies lists of needy persons for Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets.

The last-named duty involves a great deal of investigation to see that only those really in need are aided.

Straightening tangles, investigating domestic quarrels which contribute to delinquency of minors are some of her other duties.

REVERIE

Eventide,
A fireside,
Highlights and shadows blending.
Yesterday's memories,
And tomorrow's schemes,
In fancy's parade unending.
A flying spark,
A patch of dark,
And rain on the window hissing.
A leaping flame,
A remembered name,
And in the fire, a face that's missing.
The flame sinks lower,
And thoughts come slower,
Then sleep, and the dying embers.

—Joseph Shephard.

CUPID LEADS 100 TO ELKTON

ELKTON, Md. — James E. Green, 17, of Rockaway Beach, L.I., N.Y., was the youngest bridegroom here last week. Beth Cobbs, 15, of Philadelphia was the youngest bride of the 100 persons representing seven States and Bermuda, who secured marriage licenses here during November.

Mr. Green was to wed Miss Cecelia Jackson, 18, also of Rockaway Beach, while Miss Cobb's bridegroom was to be Joseph Butler, 21, from the same city as the redlight district.

Honors for the oldest couple went to James H. Gardner, 60, and Miss Elizabeth E. Jackson, 65, both of Atlantic City.

The State of New Jersey and the city of Philadelphia tied for the largest number of representatives, each having 26. However, the State of Pennsylvania, which supplied 10 other persons from cities other than Philadelphia, led all the other six States represented.

There was one resident of Hamilton, Bermuda, Leslie A. Young 38, who secured a license to marry Miss Margaret Vincent, 30, of Baltimore.

Other places represented, and the number of persons from each, were:

New York State, 19, 7 of this number from Brooklyn; New York City; Baltimore 5; other Maryland 6; Virginia, 5; Delaware, 6; and Virginia, 2.

The complete list of those securing the licenses was as follows:

YOUNG-VINCENT — Leslie A., 38, Hamilton, Bermuda; Margaret E., 30, Baltimore.

HARRIS-SCHENCK — Eugene, GERST-GRAYES — Claiborne, 29, Princeton, N.J.; Eva E., 28, Somerville, N.J.

ROBBINS-BOAGLAND — Norman, 30; Elsie P., 30, both of Princeton, N.J.

YOUNG-HENSON — James, 30; Ethelyn, 28, both of Norristown, Pa.

FOREMAN - DAVENPORT — Alonzo J., 44; Sallie, 42, both of New York.

BROWN-EVERETT — Charles A., 21; Mabel, 26, both of Elkton, Md.

MOORE-WAPLES — Sanford, 26; Petrina A., 18; both of New York City.

MANLOVE-DABNEY — Lawrence E., 22, Homestead, Del.; Ida, 18, Belvedere, Del.

GREENE-JACKSON — James E., 20, L.I., N.Y.; Celeste, 18; both of Rockaway Beach, L.I., N.Y.

GILLISON-MARTIN — William, 24; Ruth M., 22, both of Philadelphia.

WARREN-GOULD — Herman L., Mendham, Vaso W. Meekins, Evelyn 23; Mary Jane, 21, both of Bridgeton, N.J.

HILL-WATSON — Harold, 31; Dorothy, 18, both of Penns Grove, N.J.

MCCORKLE-CORNOR — John W., 21; Anna Lee, 18; both of Philadelphia.

MOORE-HARRIS — Lonnie, 34; Mamie, 22, both of Philadelphia.

PRICE-BAILEY — Reubin, 34; Rhoda Mae, 25, both of Brooklyn, N.Y.

SMITH-SMITH — Elliott, 21; Minnie, 21; both of Wilmington, Del.

GOODE-REEVEY — Virdree, 30; Helen, 28, both of Newark, N.J.

BUTLER-COBBS, — Joseph, 21; Elizabeth, 15; both of Philadelphia.

34; Henrietta, 36, both of Philadelphia.

HUTCHINSON - HARMAN — Charles, 44, West Chester, Pa.; Mabel, 41, Hammerton, Pa.

NICHOLS-HARRIS David E., 26, Short Hills, N.J.; Gwendolyn S., 24, Trois Rivieres, Que.

WEBSTER-GRINNAGE — Edward L., 18, Troy Hill, Pa.; Margery N., 18, Glassgow, Del.

SCOTT-JACKSON — James, 22; Elsie, 18, both of Morristown, Pa.

PELSON-CONWAY, — Elvin R., 23; Rosville, 16; both of Norristown, Pa.

PHIPPS-JACKSON — William, 53, Newport News, Va.; Henrietta C., 45, Richmond, Va.

FULLER-WILCOX—William, Jr., 22; Pearl, 23, both of Philadelphia, Pa.

KEISEY-GIBBS — Thomas E., 42; Mary E. 48, both of Bridgeton, N.J.

McCLOYD-HARRIS — Therin, 21; Agnes M., 18; both of Philadelphia.

WALDEN-FLOWERS— Weyman F., 27, Mount Vernon, N.Y.; Ruth A., 22, Philadelphia.

BARNS-GOOD — Garnett M., 21; Hattie C., 18, both of Philadelphia.

DUNSTON-PAYTON — John R., 30; Evelyn, 22, both of Philadelphia.

LEE-WARRICK—William R., Jr., 39, West Grove, Pa.; Irene S., 32, Chesapeake City, Md.

CLARKE-MOORE — Harrington, 72, Camden, N.J.; Ida, 60, Brooklyn, New York.

HOGAN-MILLER — George, 35; Helen, 28, both of Bridgeton, New Jersey.

MILLER-GOFF—Oliver, 26; Millred, 21, both of Bridgeton, New Jersey.

JOHNSON-SMITH — Paul, 23; Willett, 21, both of Philadelphia, Pa.

HOWELL-ROGERS—Wesley, 34; Mabel, 40, both of Montclair, New Jersey.

SHOCKLEY-BEDUA — David S., 38; Ethel, 30, both of Newark, New Jersey.

WARDNER-JACKSON—James H., 60; Elizabeth E., 65, both of Atlantic City, N.J.

TAYLOR-HALL—Philip, 21; Victoria, 19, both of Baltimore.

WATERS-McBRIDE — Joseph P., 48; Irene, 36, [illegible]

To M. A. G. - AFRO-AMERICAN PSYCHIC

628 N. Eutaw Street
Baltimore, Md.
Please Send My Answer for 1938.

My Full Name ....
Address ....
City ....
Date of Birth ....

Get Your 1938 Answer

Your state of new year affairs that are involved in a difficult situation. Miss M. A. G., Philadelphia social worker, who claims that she is possessed with some psychic power, offers to help readers in their conditions. She is unable to explain her strange powers but maintains that she has been able to answer queries with unusual accuracy.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Ques. Will there be any increase in my income any-time soon?—M.J.

Ans. Financial condition has been, and will be a little slow with you, there will be a change around the first of the year.

Ques. Will there be any change financially, and how many more children will I have to have, and when?—T.M.J.

Ans. You don't have to have any more children, 1939 will bring about a change for you in every respect, a moving condition, little illness, a mis-slip, and also a little money.

Ques. Does E. G. love me?—E.C.S.

Ans. Be sure that you love E. G. You will marry twice; he cares for you, but there is another person that cares for you also.

Ques. Will M.A.G. do her work through the mail, if her customers furnish her stamps?—Mrs. W.B.

Ans. Mail your questions to the AFRO, they will be answered privately if you wish them to.

Ques. Did I do justice to my friend who was here with me, by making him leave?—C.C.

Ans. One must ask you did do right, and the other mind says no. You have a double mind, one is always at war with the other. Yes, it was O.K. to make him leave, you will see him again.

Ques. I stayed in the hospital five weeks, and the doctor seemed baffled about my condition. Will I ever be well again?—Mr. S.J.

Ans. Have faith in God, I am praying for you.

D. C. Schoolboys Fined $25 Each

Two Washington boys were fined $25 and costs and committed to Northwestern district this week on charges of disorderly conduct in Douglass High School, Monday.

The boys are Oliver Terrell, 21, of 700 Columbia Road; and Joseph Robinson of 1135 Columbia Road, Harry T. Pratt, principal of the school, when questioned on Wednesday, said that the boys had entered the school and were wandering in the halls, without first getting permission to visit from the office.

He said that the school has recently had trouble with boys from Washington who enter at dismissal time and mingle with the students and take overcoats and other clothing.

When they were apprehended and questioned in the building, they could give no reason for being there, and it was not until police of Northwestern district arrived that they stated they had come to see a girl student.

Questioned about the Washington lads, admitted knowing them but stated that they had never visited at her home Mr. Pratt also said that the girl's parents were questioned and knew of no visit from the boys to the girl's home.

Mr. Pratt said that they had recently recovered stolen goods in Washington pawnshops. L. U. Gibson, physical education instructor, was listed as the complainant on the Northwestern docket. He stated on Wednesday he knew nothing of the case and advised the reporter to contact Mr. Pratt.

Exhibition at Douglass High with 500 Dolls

A doll exhibition with more than 500 dolls collected from every country in the world, was conducted by Miss Elizabeth Hopper, white, at an assembly for girls at Douglass High School, Friday morning.

The speaker was introduced by Doris Mercer. Miss Hooper told the girls that she had made the collection of dolls her hobby since 1929. In addition, she collects poems, stories, songs, and odd articles about dolls.

Bride in Collection

Included in the collection were dolls representing the modern-day bride, Queen Elizabeth, Queen Isabella, a Charlie McCarthy, and a Black Foot Indian from Montana.

The most interesting of her collection was the "Wedding of the Fleas," in which the dolls ranged in size from a few inches to several feet. The smallest doll in the collection was a half-inch long.

Other numbers of the program were a dance solo with Gloria Minor as a dancing doll and a solo, "The Wedding of a Painted Doll," sung by Elizabeth Hawkins, accompanied by Edward McCreedy.

Arnetta Murphy was mistress of ceremonies.

Bluefield State Inducts Prexy

BLUEFIELD, W.Va. — H. L. Dickens, acting head of Bluefield State Teachers' College, was inducted into the presidency of the institution on Saturday.

President Dickison is a graduate of Ohio State University, as teacher, registrar and dean. He received his A.B. and A.M. from Ohio State University.

Dr. John W. Davis, president of West Virginia State College, and Dr. Lloyd C. Alexander, alumnus and Fisk professor, were the principal speakers.

Since his administration began in 1936, Mr. Dickens has obtained a new dormitory for boys, a library, and a gymnasium.

Persons appearing on the induction program included Sen. Sam Dickinson, Congressman John D. M. Murray, president of the State Board of education; Dr. J. C. Kinsinger, president of the Bluefield Civic League; I. J. K. Wells, state supervisor of colored schools; Dr. Ambrose Caliver, director of the bureau of welfare and statistics, and Ewright Steele.

The Rev. Q. A. Connally headed the invocation, and Mrs. Mae Alberta Calvin was secretary.

Ohio High School Honors '86 Grad

MIDDLEPORT, Ohio—Sherman H. Guss, veteran instructor of the West Virginia State College, Institute, was the principal honored guest of the Middleport High School from which he was graduated in 1886.

After teaching two years, Mr. Guss matriculated at Ohio State and was one of the first of the race to receive a degree from that institution. M. W. Guss, superintendent of schools, and L. W. McComas, principal, lauded the visitor.

Technical Men Will Hear Howard Dean

WASHINGTON

Dr. Louis K. Downing, dean of the school of architecture and engineering at Howard University, will speak on "Negro Technical scientists on Saturday, December 10, during the three-day session of the Federation of Architects, Engineers, Chemists and Technicians.

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H.U. Trustee Named to Cleveland Board

CLEVELAND, (ANP). — Dr. Charles H. Garvin, physician and a trustee of Howard University, was named to the Cleveland public library board by the board of education, Tuesday, to succeed a white banker whose term runs until July 1, 1940.

Douglass Hi English Class Visits AFRO

The following members of the 11-B-1 English class of Douglass High School, visited the AFRO plant, Thursday, with their teacher, Miss Kate I. Sheppard:

Bertha Young, Emily Carroll, Vivian Purviance, Mattie Ewell, Ursula Chambliss, Elsie Shorter, Betty Branes, Dorothy Gregg, Dorothy Harris, Florence Ward, Francis Merritt, Clark Newton, Charles Rogers.

Martha Tibbs, Marietta Pyles, Gloria Weaver, Naomi Kent, Christopher Mickle, Ruth Patterson, Robert Lawson, Robert Porter, Ransom Lancaster, Paul Tennessee, Lavinia Clanton.

Stella Barber, Julia Browne, Julia Johnson, Arthur Kelly, Lloyd Newton, Charles Toogood, Clifton Coble, John Clark, Thomas Ballard, Hary Thomas, and Eddie S. Cobbs.

Centers Will Observe "Open House Week"

"Open House Week" will be observed at the various divisions of Recreation Centers and in public schools, next week, each day having some special activity featured.

On Monday, arts and crafts will be featured; Tuesday, drama and games; Thursday, music. All centers, featuring a period of community sing, social recreation, and arts and crafts exhibit, each night.

Souvenirs will be given visitors and prizes will be given. Mrs. Virginia Hall is director of the division. Centers are located at the following schools:

Joseph Lockerman School No. 180, Mount and Saratoga Streets; William Alexander School No. 112, Laurens and Calhoun Streets; Wendell Phillips School No. 117, Barre and Warner Streets; Henry Davis School No. 120, Pennsylvania Avenue and Dolphin Street.

School No. 10, Harford and Abbottsford Avenues; Dunbar Junior High School No. 133, McElderry and Caroline Streets; Lauraville School No. 135, Arlington and Adams Avenues.

Morrell Park School No. 156, Puget Street and Harmon Avenue; Southern School, 344 Desoto Avenue; Booth-Venable School No. 45, Carrollton and Lafayette Avenues.

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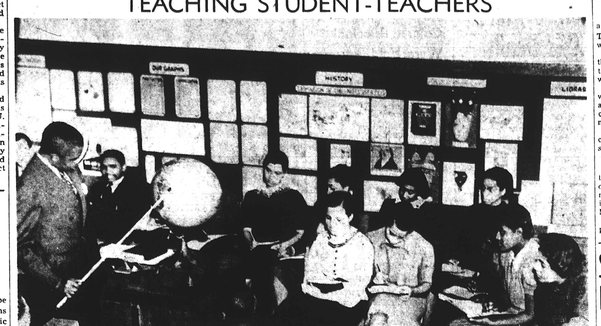
TEACHING STUDENT-TEACHERS



Geography lesson for 6B class during demonstration for student-teachers at Coppin Normal School, Baltimore. B. D. Milbourne (left) is teacher.

Teaching Teachers at Coppin How to Teach

By BETTYE MURPHY

The demonstration school, one of the three main units of Coppin Teachers' College, located on Coppin Teachers building on Mount Street near Riggs Avenue, where it occupies the first and second floors.

Here are regular public school classes of forty-four pupils each from kindergarten through the sixth grade.

Teachers are: Mrs. Vernice Matthews, kindergarten; Mrs. Ethelmae Jackson, first; Miss Beatrice Tate, second; Miss Sarah Simpson, third; Mrs. Irene Templeton, fourth; Miss Lillian Humphries, fifth; Delmas Milbourne, sixth.

Two College Units

The other two units of the college are:

1. The theory or college department which occupies the third floor of the building; and

2. The twelve practice centers which are located in ten public schools, four in East Baltimore and eight in Northwest Baltimore, so that prospective teachers may practice under similar conditions "they will meet later on.

The schools in which the practice centers are located are as follows: two in Public No. 101; two in School 100, Schools 103, 104, 108, 110, 112, 113, 122, and 129.

Juniors Begin Practice

Practice begins in the junior year. Students observe the regular teachers in the junior year, they have nine weeks of practice and in the fourth quarter of the senior year they have nine weeks for practice.

The purpose of the demonstration school is to show the embryo teachers how the methods, ideas and techniques are applied in the classroom. Expert teachers conduct these classes and give guidance in evaluation of classroom activities.

Work Out Lesson

The theory teacher who wants a theory or principle demonstrated goes to the demonstration teacher and talks over what she wants shown her students. Together, they work out the lesson. Then the demonstration teacher signs a blanket, gives the time, place, and plan of the demonstration.

The plan then goes to the vice principal, Mrs. Viola C. Jackson, for approval. At the appointed time, the theory class goes to the demonstration classroom.

Hold Post Mortem

After the demonstration, the theory teacher and her students discuss the exhibition they have just witnessed. Many visitors, supervisors and teachers are frequently present at these demonstrations.

When the writer visited the demonstration school on Wednesday morning, Delmas Milbourne, 6-B demonstration teacher, was conducting a lesson in silent reading for the second section of the college's junior class, which was Mrs. Ethel Gaynor's theory class.

The whole atmosphere was natural and socialized. The students were particularly polite and if one erred in an answer, another would say: "I beg your pardon, James, but the answer is so and so."

Mr. Milbourne was perfectly at ease and while conducting the questionnaire, was also supervising the work of group 1, which was engaged in silent reading and seat work.

Following the demonstration lesson, Mrs. Boyer's class returned to their room, where they discussed the lesson they had just seen.

Six Demonstrations Weekly

During an average week, six demonstrations are held. Dr. Miles Connor, principal, sends schedules of future demonstrations to the office of Dr. William Fowlkes, assistant superintendent in charge of teacher training. These are distributed to practice centers so that other teachers may attend if interested.

Under the new four-year term of the college which is initiated this year, Coppin freshmen will not get demonstration work, but will concentrate on academic subjects such as English and the social sciences.

Methods of teaching and work in the demonstration classes begin in the second year and continue through the senior year.

Daughter of College Head Marries Dentist

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., (ANP). —President Lee of the Florida A. and M. College, announced the week the marriage of his daughter, Mrs. Beatrice Norwood, to Dr. William G. Paramore, dentist, of Dothan, Ala., on November 10.

DUBOIS HEARD AT EMORY

ATLANTA, Ga.—Dr. W. E. B. DuBois, professor of sociology at Atlanta University, spoke on "Ministers and International Relations" in an address before the students and faculty of Emory University, last week.

PWA Makes 30 Millions Available for Schools

Amount Went for New Buildings; 7 Millions Go State-Aided Colleges

Almost $4,000,000 worth of construction of public schools, recreation centers, hospitals, etc., has been made possible by grants from the Public Works Administration Act, according to a report to Administrator Harold L. Ickes by W. J. Trent, Jr., adviser in the Department of the Interior.

Grants in the amount of 45 per cent of the total cost or more than $6,000,000, have been made to the various State and city governments since June, 1938, in order to stimulate the construction of these much-needed public buildings for colored people.

From 1933 to the end of 1938, $30,000,000 will have been paid for the construction of school buildings alone by the PWA program.

Of this amount, $24,153,670 has gone for primary and secondary schools. State-supported colored colleges received $7,345,067.

Among Beneficiaries

A partial list of the States benefiting follows:

SEPARATE PROJECTS IN 1938

Location	PWA Grants	Estimated Cost of Construction
Ala.	$ 41,455	$ 114,345
N.Y.	682,650	1,517,000
N.C.	1,100,708	2,446,017
Ark.	320,400	712,000
S.C.	86,839	192,975
TEXAS	222,728	494,953
W.VA.	587,451	1,305,447
W.VA.	242,417