Langston Hughes

The man who lives . . . laughs . . . and writes.

To pigeonhole Langston Hughes as "The Internationally Known Negro Poet" is to imprison a free soul who has taken the world for his stage . . . the human race for his audience. Books, plays, articles, radio, journalism AND poetry . . . all are grist to the creative mill of Langston Hughes.

As much at home in Paris as in Harlem . . . in Italy as in California . . . in Mexico as in his native Missouri . . . the works of this brilliant writer have a universal appeal. Beloved by hosts of friends, Langston Hughes is one of the few men who seem to be equally popular with white and colored men and women of all classes.

Early Days

Shortly after he was born, February 1, 1902, in Joplin, Missouri, Langston Hughes' parents separated . . . his father going to Mexico where he established a prosperous business . . . his mother, who had studied at the University of Kansas, moving about taking teaching and office positions. This left little Langston to be reared by his grandmother in the old family home at Lawrence, Kansas.

He graduated from grammar school in Lincoln, Illinois, as class poet. All through high school in Cleveland, Ohio, where he was also class poet, he wrote stories and poems for the school monthly. On his graduation in 1920, he edited the School Year Book.

The Negro Speaks of Rivers

This, Langston Hughes' first poem to be published in a nationally-known magazine (The Crisis, 1921) was written on an envelope while his train ran along the bank of the Mississippi. A year with his father in Mexico, trying to learn a business in which he had no interest . . . a year at Columbia University . . . a third year studying by himself and working at odd jobs around New York . . . and Langston Hughes took flight.

To Mother Africa

Shipping aboard a freighter for Nigeria, Langston Hughes says, in his autobiography, "The Big Sea," "With that trip I began to live . . . when I saw the dust-green hills in the sunlight something took hold of me inside. My Africa, Motherland of the Negro peoples! But there was one thing that hurt me a lot. The Africans looked at me and would not believe I was a Negro. You see, unfortunately, I am not black." Three years passed quickly . . . working and writing . . . studying races and nations as doorman, cook and dishwasher . . . and Langston Hughes came back to New York as he had left . . . by freighter.

Success

Many of his poems had been published and Washington Negro society tried to lionize him but he would have none of it. Unknown to Langston Hughes, Destiny was rushing to meet him. At the Wardman Park Hotel, while working as a bus boy, he met Vachel Lindsay, whose solid, generous praise set him on the high road to fame. He finished his education at Lincoln University in Pennsylvania . . . where he also received his honorary degree of Doctor of Literature in 1943.

AWARDS

First Prize for Poetry
—magazine "Opportunity", 1925
Palms Intercollegiate Poetry Award, 1927
Harmon Gold Award for Literature, 1931
Guggenheim Fellowship, 1935
Rosenwald Fellowship, 1940

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THE SUN DO MOVE	Full-length music drama
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THE DREAM KEEPER, poems
SHAKESPEARE IN HARLEM, poems
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SCHMIDT'S OLD HOME BREAD

Clubs

JUST WE SAVING—was entertained last week by Mr. and Mrs. William Johnson, 2452 Woodbrook Ave. Games were played and Mrs. Helen Richardson and Marie Johnson were given birthday gifts.

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RETROTHAL TOLD—Miss M. Imogene King, daughter of the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. F. F. King, whose engagement to James E. Roberts, son of Mrs. Ann Jones, was announced during the holidays. The bride-elect is a graduate of Howard University. Mr. Roberts, a graduate of Morgan State College, is a law student at the University of Maryland. The wedding will take place during the summer.

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Vows Are Made by Alice Jones

ATLANTIC CITY — In an intimate family setting, Miss Alice Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jones of 714 N. Michigan Ave., became the bride of Roscoe Thompson, son of the late Rev. D. F. Thompson, former pastor of the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church, Birmingham, Ala., and Mrs. Thompson.

The nuptial knot was tied by the Rev. John R. Stanford, pastor of Second Baptist Church.

As the wedding march was played, the bride, wearing a frock of aquamarine L'Amel with hat of the same material, approached the altar on the arm of her father.

Sister Maid of Honor

The maid of honor, Miss Gladys Jones, sister of the bride, wore a pink crepe dress with a corsage of pink roses. Bernie Haitchcock was best man.

The bride's mother wore a dress of black crepe and lace with a corsage of red roses.

Following the ceremony the couple was tendered a reception by the bride's parents.

The bride is a graduate of Atlantic City High School and Virginia State College. The bridegroom is employed in Baltimore, Md., as a construction engineer. Following a short honeymoon the couple will make their home in Washington, D.C.

Among the guests were:

Messrs. and Mesdames Seymore Sapp, William Wilson, Willie Thompson, Samuel Williams, the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. John R. Stanford, Mesdames Ora Jenkins, Sadie Owens, Clifton Washington, Charles Madison, Sarah Tilmpsion, Misses Doris Lovely, Gladys Jones, Hester Lovely, Sarah Wiggins, Lillian Washington, Johnnie Lovely, Ruth Lovely; Messrs. Clifton Washington 2d, George Daniels, Boyd Willis, Bernie Haithcock and DeHart Washington.

MARK 50TH ANNIVERSARY—Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Samuels of 131 Heckman Place, S.E., in Washington, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Dec. 26 at their home, among close relatives and a few friends. Residents of D.C.for the past 24 years, Mr. and Mrs. Samuels were married in Huntsville, Ala., and are the parents of five children, four of whom are living.

NEW ROLE IN NEW YEAR—Mr. and Mrs. John S. Holt who were married in Baltimore on New Year's Eve. The bride is the former Mrs. Carmelia A. Powell, daughter of Mrs. Helen Briscoe. The Rev. John T. Colbert performed the ceremony.

STATESMEN — Joseph Kenny, chaplain of the club, was host to the group, Monday evening when plans for a benefit dance were made.

Officers include:

Tennyson Cartier, president; Leno Grant, vice president; Edgar Matthews, treasurer; Samuel Tillie, business manager, and Mrs. Kenny, chaplain. Pedro Dix is secretary.

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LES ALLIGOS — will hold a meeting this (Friday) evening at the home of Mrs. Sue Hill, 1334 N. Stricker St.

DOLLY DOLLS—opened their first meeting of the year at the home of Mrs. Alice Tanner at 430 E. Lafayette Ave. They will meet next week at the home of their president, Mrs. M. Southerland of 957 N. Wolfe St.

APOLLO—The meeting of the Apollo Whist Club was held on last Monday evening at the residence of Mrs. Alice Vodery, 2320 McCulloh St.

The evening was spent in playing cards and exchanging gifts.

WILLING WORKERS—of the ten hundred block of Bennett Place held a meeting at the home of Mrs. Gertrude Robinson, 1010 Bennett Place.

The next meeting will be held on Friday, January 9, at the home of Mrs. Jennie Beatty, 1009 Bennett Place.

THE WILLING WORKERS—went on a trip to the Methodist Old Folks Home during the Christmas holidays to spread sunshine and cheer to the people there. The group plans to make other good-will trips during the near future. Mrs. Hester Clayton is editor of the club.

PROGRESSIVE MT. OLIVET CHOIR No. 1—held their first meeting of the year at the studio of G. S. White, 1003 W. Lanvale St.

Officers elected were:

Frank D. Warren, president; Hattie Hampton, vice president; Rita Smith, secretary; Mae Robinson, chaplain; Mart Nelson, treasurer; Nettie Ponder, business manager; Amelia Stansbury, conductress; Goldie Weston, editor; Eva Burrell, inspectress;

Geneva Warren, Alferd Jenkins and Viola Smith compose the finance committee.

Carolyn Young is mascot.

Mrs. Emma Jackson is a new member.

TA WA SI—The members contributed gifts to the Children's Ward of Henryton Sanitorium during the Christmas season. They also entertained at two parties. One was at the home of the business manager, Mrs. Lucille Brown, 5014 Beauregarde Ave. and the other, with the Chaplains, at Miss Erma Holland's of 846 Harlem Ave.

The president is Mrs. Zelda S. Orange.

RED ONION — The auxiliary met at the home of Mrs. Christine Holland. The members exchanged gifts.

The members elected were:

Mrs. Agnes Lassitr, president; Miss Maggie Dixon, vice president; Mrs. Edith Cornish, recording secretary; Mrs. Christina Holland, financial secretary; Mrs. Bessie Jackson, treasurer;

Mrs. Mildred Sye, chaplain; Mrs. Annie White, sgt.-at-arms; Mrs. Helen Cornish, business manager-Chairman; Mrs. Maggie Taylor, assistant manager; Mrs. Rosebud Chisolm, marshall and Miss Eleanor Thomas, editor.

Members are Mrs. Blanche Daniels, Miss Maggie Johnikin and Mrs. Helen Tyson.

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Recreation Center Scene of Party

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Attending were:

Misses Helen Scott, Vera Dorsey, Ruth Scott, Mary Hargrove, Iantha Alexander, Lorraine Simms, Inez Augins, Hazel Davis;

Misses Gwendolyn Davis, Yvonne Davis, Margaret Davis, Dorothy Demonds, Evelyn Johnson, Dorothy Blair, Elizabeth Brown, Mildred Matthews, Blanche Augins, Evelyn Simms, and Mary Fultz.

Medical Unit on H.U. Program

Baltimore members of the medical alumni of Howard University will be participants in a program to be held at the Chick Webb Recreation Center, 653 N. Eden St., when the monthly alumni session is held Friday evening.

The program will be under direction of Dr. Ralph Young, chairman of the unit.

At a recent meeting of the alumni it was voted to give two scholarships of $100 each to a student at Douglass High School and one at Dunbar High School.

Roy S. Bond is president of the Baltimore chapter. Other officers include Mrs. Mamie C. Woodford, business manager; Mrs. Ruth Lightfoot, secretary, and Miss Vivian Briggs, financial secretary.

KELEGG—Mr. and Mrs. William Kellogg of Hampton, Va., were holiday guests of her mother, Mrs. Bell Terry of 1412 Division St.

Personals

LANE—Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Lane of 1016 W. North Avenue spent the holidays with their families in New York City and Brooklyn, N.Y.

MILLIGAN—Mr. and Mrs. James Milligan of Detroit, Mich. were guests of her sister and brother, Mrs. Rosie Chase and Robert Milligan here during the holidays.

WORTHINGTON—Mr. and Mrs. George H. Worthington of Boston are spending the holidays in Brooklyn and Mt. Vernon, N.Y.

WILLIAMS—Percy Williams of Philadelphia visited his sister, Mrs. Annie Carrington, and brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Williams, here, during the holidays. His stay was highlighted with a dinner party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. Barney, 1044 Brantley Ave., cousins.

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Mushrooms fresh oz. 25¢
Ideal Old Time Bonus Blend lb. 27¢
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