Pearlie's Prattle

By PEARLIE B. COX

WASHINGTON

Thornton A. Jackson Court No. 3, Heroines of Jericho, honored Mrs. Olive L. Handy, international most ancient grand matron, Sunday at 4, in the home of Grand Master Melvin Key and Mrs. Key on New Jersey Ave.

Every branch of Masonry was represented. The place was ablloom with palms, roses and gladioli. Soft music enlivened the hour, and refreshments were served. Mrs. Handy is also a poet. She wore a gown of cocoa brown, with gold accessories, and carried an arm bouquet of roses and mums. Receiving with her were: Mrs. Clara Y. Lewis, sponsor, who wore rose-hued lace; Samuel Strickland, Jesse F. Snowden, Mrs. Frances Brooker, who wore black lace interwoven with gold; Rudolph Stewart, now being complimented because of the brilliant dinner staged the other night with Judge Armond W. Scott as guest of honor.

Calling the roll of its officers, you can't find a glum one among them. And the recording secretary, Mrs. Edith P. Thomas, smart the other night in a soft blue gown and pink corsage, has a daily glint in her countenance that's pretty kind of catching.

Other officers include Ernest Harper, president; Mrs. Rosina Tucker, John Duncan, vice presidents; Mrs. Edna Payton, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Marian Simpson, financial secretary; Bernice Chapman, treasurer; the Rev. John Morris, chaplain; Charles A. Longus, archivist.

DOWN FASHION LANE

—With the craze for stoles now at its height, Mrs. Johnson, wife of Dr. I. Moten Johnson of 8th St., N.W., proved how smart she is by crocheting one for herself, interweaving gold threads with snow-white wool. Mrs. Bernice Hammond Lewis at a gathering Sunday last garnered attention aplenty with her dashing green hat that topped a gray fur coat. Little Mrs. Scott, wife of Dr. Roland, of Freedmen's, chose black for her Sunday night dress, and looked prettier than ever in it, the reason two proud escorts with her—her husband and very young son.

"How and when to wear What" was the theme of Friday Evening's Show when the Wesleyan Usher Board and their friends met at Asbury Methodist Church. There was music, a song or two and even tea and a wafer. Among the models were Mesdames Anne Toliver, Bessie Wells, Florence Clark, Geneva Wade, Harold Burwell; Misses Mildred and Minnie Ola Nero, Madlyn Williams, Mary Murdock, and dozens of others.

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COMING AND GOING

Bishop Robert E. Jones, retired, in town the other day marveling at the success that has come to the Rev. Robert Williams, pastor of Asbury Methodist Church. The Bishop, now living in Kentucky, enjoys his D.C. visits. And small wonder indeed, with his stopping place mostly being at 1702 First St., N.W., where the Lawrence Holmeses live, and where Annie (that's Mrs. H.) fixes the most delectable dishes.

President David D. Jones of Bennett College, and a brother of the Bishop, also adds to his weight when he comes to D.C. just for staying a day or so at the Homlesses. Joseph Albright, Veterans Administration official in California on business for Uncle Sam. The Rev. Charles E. Stewart one time pastor of Metropolitan AME Church, preached to his former congregation Sunday last. Urgent business in his own town (New York) called him back via plane, even before the service was out.

If you don't believe Christmas is in the air you should have seen the turkey and huge ham slices that overloaded the plates at Mrs. and Mrs. John Powell called 50 guests in to dine in one of the Dunbar's swankiest rooms; and the champagne punch that sparkled in the S. J. Horseys and John Carpenters' home as the whole Carpenter clan received in honor of Junior, few months-old son of Teacher-in-charge of Phelps School, William F. Carpenter and Mrs. Carpenter. With the punch went one-bite, ham-filled biscuits, pin-wheel sandwiches, cakes and nuts. Junior got lot of gifts, a "bank account" from General and Mrs. B. O. Davis, rompers, sleepers and bibs, and even a dress which God-father John Carpenter even tea and a wafer. Among the models were Mesdames Anne Toliver, Bessie Wells, Florence Clark, Geneva Wade, Harold Burwell; Misses Mildred and Minnie Ola Nero, Madlyn Williams, Mary Murdock, and dozens of others.

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Junior High Pupils Discuss 10 P.M. Curfew

The problem under discussion by pupils in the above picture is "Would a 10 p.m. curfew help solve the juvenile delinquency problem?" Irvin Lottier, shown at the microphone, and Gwendolyn Jones say "yes," while Melvin Parker and Thione Groomes say "no." Juanita Carroll is moderator. Bernard Tinson is the English teacher who arranged this Junior Town Meeting. John N. Cotton is principal.

Mesdames Marvenia Harris, Eva Brewer, Myrtle Brandy, Adele Coleman, Carrie Fearing, Eva Brooks, Lydia Rogers, M. Brown, Esther F. Dorsey, Mildred T. Bacon, Wiley Lucas;

W. R. Jones, Douglas Griffin Jr., Charles B. Braxton, Miss Vivian D. Carter, Mrs. Albert Tancil and daughter, Elaine; Leone M. Dubose and Garnetta Rogers.

NCNW HEARS NORWAY'S MISS MOHR

Thanks to the Intercultural Committee of the National Council of Negro Women, guests at "Council House" Monday heard Miss Marie Lous Mohr of Oslo, Norway.

Widely known for her work in connection with the Women's International League for Race and Freedom, she was elected chairman in 1934 of the Norwegian section of the league, and awarded a scholarship by the League of Nations which enabled her to live in Geneva and make a study of the League of Nations. She was imprisoned in the notorious concentration camp at Grini for more than two years during the recent World War. Miss Mohr talked on the text, "The Women's International League for Peace and Freedom in a Changing World." Stressing the necessity for more mutual knowledge and understanding among the peoples of the world as a true basis for World Peace, Miss Mohr won prolonged applause.

Mrs. Jeanetta Welch Brown, executive director, NCNW, welcomed the speaker and guests on behalf of the Council and introduced Mrs. Campbell C. Johnson, chairman of the Intercultural Lecture Committee, who presided at the meeting.

Legal Sorority Installs Officers

WASHINGTON

The Gamma Delta Epsilon Legal Sorority held joint installation of officers of the graduate and undergraduate chapters recently at the home of Soror Ellene Epps Brown.

Ruth E. Hankins presided and Shellie B. Coleman installed.

Officers installed for Alpha, undergraduate chapter were:

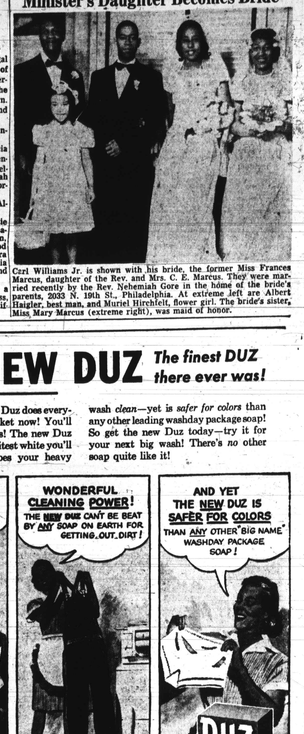
Hazel Oxley, dikastas; Alicia Jones, dikastas parastates; Gwendolyn Temple, grammateus; Zelma Chaney, gazophulacc; Sarah Gunter, pontiff, and Corrine Thorton, baliff.

Officers installed for Alpha Alpha chapter were:

Ruth Hankins, dikastas; Bessie Samuels Chase, dikastas parastates; Ellene Epps Brown, grammateus; Margaret Haywood Hawthorne, gazophulacc; Clara Chaney Monroe, pontiff; Cornelia Fletcher, keeper of the seal, and Charlotte R. Pinkett, baliff.

Following the installation, a repast was served by the hostess, assisted by Margaret Dixon Griffin and Clara Chaney Monroe.

Minister's Daughter Becomes Bride



Czri Williams Jr. is shown with his bride, the former Miss Frances Marcus, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. C. E. Marcus. They were married recently by the Rev. Nehemiah Gore in the home of the bride's parents, 2033 N. 19th St., Philadelphia. At extreme left are Albert Haigler, best man, and Muriel Hirshfeld, flower girl. The bride's sister, Miss Mary Marcus (extreme right), was maid of honor.

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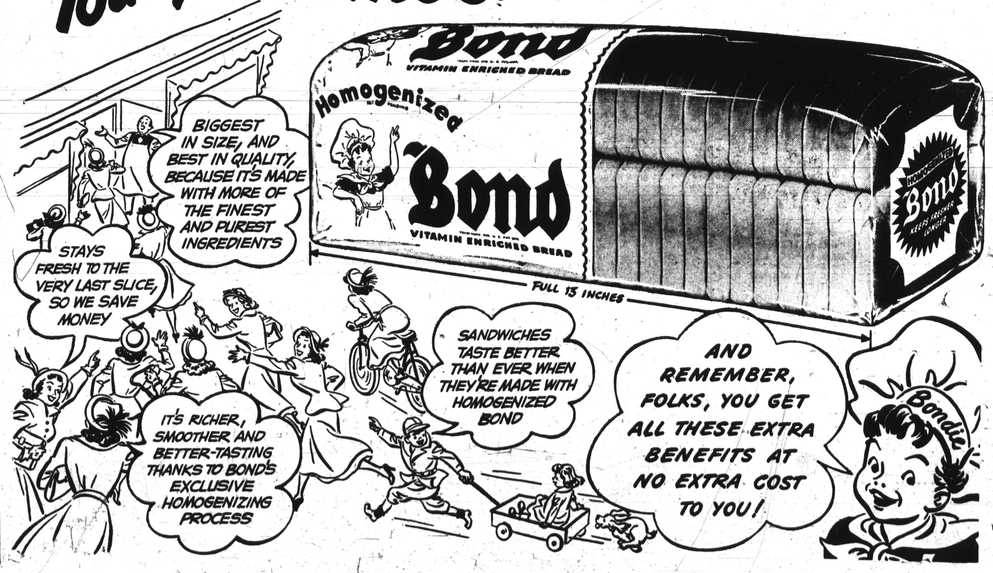

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By RUBY SMITH

PHILADELPHIA

With an agility entirely unexpected from one of her advanced years, Mrs. Diana Gooden moved around the house Friday afternoon performing minor chores in preparation for her 102nd birthday anniversary celebration.

Home for Mrs. Gooden since 1922 has been with her granddaughter, Mrs. Grace Sawyer, and the latter's husband, John Sawyer, who now live at 1933 Wharton St., where "Grandmother goes up and down the stairs more often than anyone else."

Mrs. Gooden was born in Orangeburg, S.C., but her husband, Abraham, died at the age of 85, a few years before she came to Philadelphia.

MAJOR BOOKER

After about 10 hours of sleep, she is usually stirring around downstairs at about 7 o'clock each morning. She sleeps well, has a good appetite, needs no diet, has a keen mind, a good memory, cheerful disposition, and has never used eyeglasses or a cane.

Last year she appeared on the Christmas program of the Metropolitan AME Church, 20th and Fitzwater Sts. She spends part of each day listening to her favorite radio serials.

Her family now includes one of her four children, Maxwell Gooden, 58, of 2337 Sharswood St.; 24 grandchildren, 47 great grandchildren, including the seven-borne by Mrs. Sawyer; and eight great, great grandchildren.

Surprises Neighbors

Just two blocks down the street and around the corner from Mrs. Gooden, another centenarian, Major Booker, has astounded his neighbors by living to the the ripe old age of 109 years.

Booker, who was born on Aug. 1, 1838, in West Virginia, has been making his home with one of his three surviving children, Mrs. Georgia Clark of 1214 S. 17th St. since 1940.

This was in that year that other relatives, notified by an anxious neighborhood, advised Mrs. Clark that her father was living with dogs in the cellar of a white man's home in Northampton County, Va., and was about to be committed to the poorhouse there.

Sired 14 Children

Mrs. Clark learned that her father had been enslaved by a man but that he had been uncared for since he had outlived his usefulness.

Although Mrs. Clark's mother died when she was just eight years old, he never remarried. Original by, there were 14 children in the family.

He is so active that it is usually necessary for his daughter to forcibly confine him to his bed or his clothes so that he will not go out walking and wander away from the house.

Thinks Work is Work

He has never been ill, she said, but evidently does not understand that he is too old to get the job he keeps seeking. He has a good appetite, and she has not found any need for a special diet for him.

His memory is not quite as keen as it once was, but at times he recounts events of the Civil War and other historic periods.

Pilot Placement Project Pushed

Urban League Finding Skilled Job Openings

The Baltimore Branch Urban League, in co-operation with other branches throughout the nation, is conducting a concentrated campaign to break down discriminatory employment practices against professional and technical workers in private industry.

The campaign, known as the Pilot Placement Project, is designed to secure more jobs for colored workers in white collar jobs, equal to their training, ability and experience.

Having already interviewed employers who are willing to give these workers a chance, the league is now trying to compile a roster of persons who are qualified to fill professional and technical jobs.

Chemists Jobs Available

Job openings have recently been obtained for chemists at a local industrial plant; and anyone trained for this position should get in touch with Cecil H. Scott, industrial secretary, at the league office, 2404 Pennsylvania Ave.

Other persons who qualify for any of the following occupations should also report to the league:

Accountant, architect, business analyst, college-trained secretary, commercial artist, draftsman, dietician, engineer, fashion designer, feature writer, industrial nurse, insurance claim adjuster.

Jewelry designer, job analyst, journalist, laboratory technician, metallurgist, personnel worker, radio announcer, research worker, retail sales personnel, tool designer.

League Follows Up Cases

If and when any such workers are employed by a company, the league follows through this service by checking later to determine the quality of their job performance.

It also ascertains the employer's attitude of them, their effect upon other colored employees and the extent to which they make successful adjustment to white fellow workers.

Police Say Maid Was Involved by Powder

EAST ORANGE — A fluorescent powder, dusted on seven $1 bills, caused Miss Doris Jones, 27, of 47 N. Grove St., to confess stealing from the home of Mrs. Edward Brodhead, 73 S. Arlington Ave., while employed as a domestic, police said here last week.

Attacker, 20, Committed to Crownsville

Said to have criminally attacked a young woman and accompanied her to her home where he waited for police, 20-year-old Douglas McGowan was re-committed to Crownsville Hospital, Wednesday, by Judge Herman Moser.

Prosecutors told McGowan had walked away from Crownsville two weeks before he accosted the young matron on Nov. 25 at Pine and Redwood Sts., and forced her into a truck where the alleged abuse occurred.

The victim said she persuaded McGowan to accompany her home, and left him there under the pretense that she was going for cigarettes, but returned with the police.

Dr. Manfred Gutmacher, court psychiatrist, said his examination of McGowan left him a little uncertain of the youth's mental condition. In committing McGowan to Crownsville, Judge Moser left the case open and retained jurisdiction.

Civil Employees Elect President

ASBURY PARK—Prentiss Rich, elected president of the Asbury Park Civil Service Employees' Association at a meeting on Wednesday at the Public Library.

He will succeed Frank Tilton, who conducted the meeting. The entire slate chosen by the nominating committee was elected.

Other officers are Stanley Thompson, first vice president; Joseph Bauro, second vice president; Mrs. John D. Flynn, secretary; Walter Haight, treasurer; Mrs. D. W. Leppert, financial secretary; Emerson Arnot, sergeant-at-arms; and the Rev. Edward Brown, chaplain.

Abetter of Youths' Immorality Fined

Found guilty of allowing a teen-age couple to spend the night in his home for immoral purposes, Alton Gilmore, 32, of the 600 block Baker St., was fined $25, Tuesday, by Judge Charles Moylan.

The jurist indicated that he would fine Mr. Gilmore $900 and had actually set the penalty at $50, when Leonard Freedman, attorney, persuaded him to reduce it, because he said, Mr. Gilmore is out of work.

Girl 15, Involved

Testimony was that the young ster, including a 15-year-old girl and boy, 17, who was sentenced to 18 months in prison for carnal knowledge, spent the night at Mr. Gilmore's home on Nov. 25.

Mr. Gilmore said he was under the impression that the boy, whom he knew very well, wanted the night's lodging for himself alone.

The girl was released on probation to her parents. Policewoman Violet Hill Whyte investigated the case.

Purse Snatcher Gets Three Years

from a woman called "self-styled Pleading guilty to theft of $2,500 world's champion female cyclist," Willie Wiley, 20, was sentenced Thursday to three years in the house of correction.

In a report to Judge Herman Moser, George Rosedom, probation department investigator, who conducted the case, Mr. Rosedom said the girl, 19, had lost $500,000 was recovered by police.

Veiled Threat Made

His demands included permission for the Maroons to carry out independent trade with foreign countries. He also asked for immediate cessation of convicting Maroons in civil courts, continuation of the agreement freeing them of land and other taxes, and above all, compensation for services they rendered in the King's forces during the last war.

•Perhaps Britain has forgotten the days of the Maroons" Quaco said. "It may be of interest to recall the hundreds of hives of bees which came swarming out of the air to torment the British forces, at a single call whistled by our people in the bush. Today we are still not lacking of the knowledge and ability to plague our opponents."

BRITISH LION DEFIED:

Empire's Forces Fail to Scare the Maroons

KINGSTON, Jamaica (ANP)—Britain's belief that her thunderous cannons, her Spitfires and super-dreadnoughts are terrorizing enough to cause warrior-colonial races to forthem was challenged last week by the Maroons of Jamaica, give her for abandoning bonafide agreements signed with Maroon chief, Gen. Cornelius M. Quaco, in an exclusive interview last Tuesday, stated he had told him that the British Government had violated the British and Maroon treaty drawn up in 1738.

The original document was signed by the then Governor of Jamaica, Trelawny. It was agreed upon by the British Government and signed by King George II of Great Britain.

Treaty Terms Recalled

In effect, the treaty allowed the Maroons to live on lands in their settlements free of taxes. They should conduct their own courts, but could not pass death sentences on anybody without the consent of the colony's Chief Justice.

They should give back to the Crown for all this concession their service in times of war or rebellion. The Maroons agreed to keep own affairs and should cease attacks on the Government's forces.

Charging Britain of violation of the treaty, General Quaco said that "Maroons are being treated like the Maroon settlements throughout the country. So stagnant had conditions become that the $500,000 was recovered by police.

Ten Years Given in Prison Murder

RICHMOND

Convicted recently in the slaying of Leroy D. Williams, 20-year-old Richmond World War II veteran, George Ferguson, 33, of Lenoir, N.C., was given a 20-year prison sentence in Circuit Court here, the term to be added to his present 6-year stretch for housebreaking. Williams was stabbed fatally during a fight between Ferguson and others in the State penitentiary mess hall.

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