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LONDON NOTES

Mr. Albert Smith has been quite ill in Victoria Hospital. He has shown signs of great improvement and is expecting to return home soon.

Mrs. George Anderson has returned home after being ill in Victoria Hospital for a few weeks.

Misses Alethea and Betty Mallotte and Jerry Moxley spent the week end in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Howson and daughters, Marion and Tinny Jenkins attended the Porter's Ball which was held in Toronto at the end of January.

Mr. Stanley Drake visited with his mother Mrs. M. Drake over the week end.

Mr. F. S. Howson has taken ill. He has been confined to his bed for a few days.

Mr. Wm. Berry who has returned home from Victoria Hospital a few weeks ago is doing very nicely.

Mr. S. Powell, Mrs. D. Merritt, and Miss B. Raday of Windsor, Ont. visit with Mr. and Mrs. J. Evans over the week end.

Mrs. N. Hackett and Mrs. G. Benton, of Detroit, Mich. are expected to visit with their brother Mr. J. Evans and family.

A stork shower was held last Monday night for Mrs. B. Corey by Misses Christina and Marion Jenkins.

Mr. Grant Boswell spent the week end visiting his family in Blenheim.

From a sleigh ride party held for the colored children of this community on Saturday, January 10th, there came into being the Community Family Club. The first meeting of the Community Family Club was held by the women at the home of Mrs. F. S. Howson. At this meeting plans were made to make something big and worthwhile out of this Community Family Club. The temporary officers chosen were: Mrs. F. S. Howson, president, Mrs. Jack Moxley, secretary, Mrs. James Coursey, treasurer and Mrs. G. nd A. Anderson corresponding secretary.

After the next meeting of the Community Family Club held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Moxley, Philip Street, came the mass meeting held at the B.M.E. Church where the club presented to those present plans for a Community Centre Club. All present at the meeting were enthused with the idea and agreed to have the building built in the east end of the city. "I am sure," said Mrs. Howson at this meeting, "that such a centre where our children could find such things as crafts, cooking, needle work, music and instruction in radio and wood work would replace their

interests found in streets, pool rooms and elsewhere." The centre, which is estimated at the cost of \$20,000 will contain a large gymnasium, rooms for crafts and hobbies, and an auditorium for meetings. Classes are now being held every Tuesday evening at the B.M.E. Church until the building is completed. The doors are and will be open to all races, creeds and colors. The centre will be supervised and conducted in a well ordered and disciplinary manner. Other officials and officers added are: membership committee, Mrs. A. Brooks and Mrs. C. S. Johnson; unch conveners, Mrs. A. Moxley and Mrs. H. Coursey; building committee, Mr. A. Moxley, Mr. F. Howson, Mr. M. Johnson, Rev. E. A. Richardson, Mr. G. Anderson, Rev. C. S. Johnson, Mr. H. Coursey, Mr. Jas. Brooks and Mr. Jack Evans.

A chicken dinner is planned for Thursday, February 26th at the B.M.E. Church by the Community Centre Club. The proceeds will go into the building fund.

A dance sponsored by the C.C.C. girls is being held Saturday, February 28th. The proceeds from this will also go into the building fund.

TORONTO EVENTS

The Annual Cabaret Dance and Gala Floor Show given by the C.P.R. Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters on January 29th, at the Hotel Lauraine was a great success. Mr. E. Stinson, acting as chairman of the entertainment committee is to be commended on the beautiful floor show presented by Toronto's young ladies. Mr. Shepherd who sang in his deep baritone voice is to be remembered. Then there was the orchestra led by Leo Romanelli, who played as they had never played before. Hostesses who were very efficient were Mrs. Mabel Dan and Mrs. Minnie Willis. Representatives, Mr. J. F. Cromwell, president, Mr. L. Cromwell, secretary-treasurer, Mr. L. Chevalier, vice president, Mr. C. Laster, Secretary.

You are invited. On February 11 the Club Amity will hold their Valentine Dance at Belvin House featuring all-star colored band. There will be door prizes, spot dances and lucky draw.

To Mr. and Mrs. N. Redmond, twins. Mother doing nicely. Babies (still-born).

Miss Gwen Abbott is planning on leaving our city in March to Trinidad where she will teach. Miss Abbott is taking a course at the Blind Institute.

We are sorry to hear of the passing of Mrs. Dawson wife of Superintendent Dawson of the B.M.E. Ch. Her death has been greatly felt in the entire connexion.

Mrs. Dorothy Freeman of Detroit, Mich. is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Mabel Harris.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Howson and son Barry were the guests of their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. George Livingstone; also Mr. and Mrs. J. Davis while in the city for a few days.

Misses Christina and Marion Jenkins of London, Ont., visited in the city over the week end.

Mr. Russell Rudd is planning to attend Harvard University in the near future. He will study to be a Doctor of Medicine.

ST. CATHARINES NOTES

On January 21st a great tragedy occurred when an overheated stove in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Flowers set fire to the walls, destroying the home and taking the lives of two infant children, Joyce Elaine, 4 month and Marilyn Lorraine, 4 years. The father was away at work at the time and the mother, having gone for an hour, returned to find her home in flames. Not knowing where the children were located in the home the firemen were unable to reach them.

Learning the home and furnishings were not insured some kind friend or friends arranged to move an empty building to Mr. Flowers' property for them to live in. This news spread from community to community. The ministers of the B.M.E. churches immediately asked for collections to be sent the Flowers family.

RACIAL ISSUE SHOWDOWN SEEN

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3—(AP) — Governors of southern states were urged today to force a party showdown on the racial issue as angry Dixie Democrats denounced President Truman's civil rights proposals.

While hot words of criticism were shouted in the House of Representatives, talk spread of calling a convention to split away politically from Truman, a Democrat.

A senator who asked not to be quoted by name said such a proposal would be laid before southern governors when they met at Tallahassee, Fla., Friday.

At Annapolis, Maryland's Governor William Preston Lane Jr., chairman, said he knows of no such proposal.

But Representative Thomas Abernethy (Dem. Miss.) proposed that southern governors ask for a "showdown" meeting in Washington with party leaders.

Abernethy telegraphed his proposal to Governor Fielding Wright of Mississippi who has roundly criticized President Truman's policies.

"The time has arrived," Abernethy said, "for concerted action and for all true southerners to stand up and be counted."

"If there is any doubt in the minds of southern people that the present leaders of the Democratic Party are hell bent on bartering or destroying us, our southern institutions and traditions for the support of radical Negro minorities, then they need only examine the message which the president sent to Congress yesterday recommending, among other things, the immediate enactment of fair employment practices commission bill, anti-poll tax and anti-lynching bill and breaking down of segregation of races."

ROY MILTON ORCHESTRA SET FOR 3rd ANNUAL TRANSCONTINENTAL TOUR.

Roy Milton and his Solid Senders started with their California engagements prior to their coast to coast tour by playing the Military Ball at Brown Military Academy, San Diego, on January 30th. This marked the return of Roy Milton after his hospitalization. The formal welcome home dance at the L.A. Elks club broke all previous records for attendance on February 1st. Club Congo in Los Angeles is bidding for the services of the band before they leave. Dates already set include the Royal Theatre, Baltimore, week of April 2nd and Howard Theatre, Washington week of April 9th. Milton will of course play one nighters to and from the east coast being booked exclusively by the Reg. D. Marshall Agency of Hollywood, California.

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