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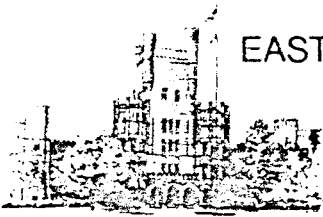
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CHARLESTON , IL--A collection of dolls representing black men and women of American history will be displayed at the Tarble Arts Center, Eastern Illinois University, from Feb. 24 through March 10.

A reception for the donor, Grace Markwell Meier, will be held on Sunday, Feb. 27 in the Center at 2 p.m. Mrs. Meier, of Dudley, Ill., completed a two-year program at Eastern in 1923 and the four-year program in 1941.

Among historical figures represented in the 26-doll collection are George Washington Carver, Harriet Tubman, Crispus Attucks, Frederick Douglass, and W. C. Handy.

Mrs. Meier obtained the dolls from I. Roberta Bell, their maker. Mrs. Meier has given the dolls to the University and they will remain as part of the Center's permanent collection after the exhibit.