Encores and Echoes

By E. B. REA

By SAM LACY
(Pinch-hitting for the ill maestro)

BALTIMORE

Woody Herman, Tommy Dorsey, Frankie Laine and Erskine Hawkins were among the hundreds who detrained here last Saturday to welcome Ella Fitzgerald home from abroad. . . The boat-load star spent two extra day of shore, what with the Queen Elizabeth fog-bound since Thursday. . . The fire which flattened Pete Dixon's Comedy Club in Baltimore paved the way for the town's second Musical Bar, come Thanksgiving Day night .'. . The Ink Spots are contributing profits made on all Ink Spots records that were sold during their current Chicago stay to the Community Chest Fund. . . Freddie, of the team of Freddie and Flo, joined hands with Willie

The Ravens actually lived up to their names as members of the feathered flock the other night. . . They spent nearly eight hours aloft completing a three-hour trip from Tulsa to weather bound St. Louis for their debut there at the Riviera . . . Joe Bostic took a week off beginning Monday to supervise the interior decoration of his newly bought Long Island home. . . Edith Wilson is currently being aired (WENR Chicago) by Aunt Jemima . . . Berry Brothers are filling a date at Chicago's Club DeLisa. . . Olivet Miller is inked into the Hotel Sherman Panther Room, same town, to begin soon.'

Three B's and A Honey are drawing raves in Columbus, right now are in their fourth holdover week at Regal Melody Lounge. . . Honey (Evon DuBarry) is elated because their next stop is her home town, Akron, where the group takes a fling at Hall's 49 Club, most exclusive joint in the burg. . . New York's popular all-night disc jockey, Symphony Sid, has jumped on the band wagon of Willis Jackson, the new tenor sax discovery of Cootie Williams. . . Mabel Fairbanks, the lady queen, is filling in as coach of a group of budding skaters at the Polar Palace, Hollywood.

Note from Alberta Hunter, who is currently knocking 'em dead at Oakland's Club Mardi Gras: "This spot is very intimate, nice, . . . for a while I thought I was in Paris or Vienna". . . Blanche Calloway (Jones) is reported "doing nicely" in her battle for recovery from injuries sustained in an auto accident at Media, Pa. last week . . . Louis Armstrong is heading a hot six-piece combo (Esquire All-Stars) on a tour of the East. . . they play Baltimore next week . . . The British production of "Hamlet" is slated to be en route to colored houses in D.C., and other points. . . Harold Dizzy (Gillespie) and I spent a Jackson continues to click with his disc-jockeying at WINX, Washington. . . So does Bill Cook (WAAT) Newark. . . Incidentally, both are taking cracks at theatre emceeing. Jackson at the Howard in D.C., and Cook at Newark's Mosque.

In Hollywood

Comely and talented Mabel Fairbanks is filling in a brief vacation from her New York ice-skating performances by coaching a group of ambitious gliders at the Polar Palace, Hollywood.

Pennsylvania Avenue

By GEORGE D. TYLER
(AFRO staff members and contributors are filing in this column while Ted Yates, the regular author and popular conductor, is recuperating.)

Pennsylvania Avenue, commonly called The Stroll, ablaze with neons—the melting pot where bootleg cabs make parking a problem for you and me. Where grifter, musicians, politicians, slickers and honest folk brush shoulders.

From Franklin St. to beyond North Ave., it now takes on the Harlemtic appearance. For a long time the Morgan Hall and Theatre held down as the northern boundary. Today the upper floor of the "Met" Theatre which houses a bowling alley is available even though the theatre and ground floor business remain "pink."

Years before opening the Vilma Tavern, Wendell Wilmo operated a combination newsstand and bootblack parlor in this building, catering to a predominantly white business. The areas between Pitcher and Mosher Sts. is overrun with some of the most beautiful cars, that for a slight consideration of—say—six bits will drop you off at various points of your choice. They stop for a fare and tie up traffic for a block and no amount of blowing will move them.

Visitors to the Stroll chose between the Hazette, Albert and Penn hotels. The Penn is the oldest and at one time was the favorite of show folk and musicians playing our town. Now this crowd sleeps and wines between shows elsewhere.

Not all of the boys went in for tavern businesses. Reuben Jiggetts gave The Stroll its first exclusive cafeteria. Jiggetts, who rose from chef of the Oriole Cafeterias to traveling chef, came to the Avenue with wide experience. Dawer Smith, a former C. D. Kenny employee, founded Smith's Tea Company and for years has operated at 1411.

I know many "ladies" of the night, pimps and racketeers from Hoffman to St. Mary's and I can say for them they treat me with more courtesy than the holy roity. The fat guy who pimes his three-card monte at Oxford St. takes a rest as we approach. The race horse bookie who operates from his parked car gets his results via radio and is able to pay off after each race.

The playboys rely a lot on the loan office operators, when they hit a snag. The brothers know the ones that redeem their pledges promptly and often make loans to these folk on stuff that others declare junk.

The success of the Charm Centre is due to the efforts of a duo of competent, energetic femmes that gave The Stroll the same quality of merchandise offered downtown in the stores that did not care for your patronage.

What The Stroll needs is a ball large enough to take care of a big dance or the AFRO cooking school. Remember them?

Both floors at the Strand are reserved for bowlers and the New Albert houses a restaurant for ex-Joes. The lot housing the Spot will be filled soon.

"Doc" Woingust, chief greeter at the Spot, leads a busy life. He is a physical therapist, columnist, entertainer, former theatre-manager and a Democrat. He is one of the Stroll's most colorful individuals. That's all except a reminder that these folk from downtown who sit by you in Stroll clubs would thumbs down on your patronizing their pleasure-spots.

Don't neglect another day.
Send that card to E. B. Rea.

Blanche Calloway Convalescing From Auto Accident Injuries

CHESTER, Pa.—Blanche Calloway Jones, entertainer and sister of Bandleader Cab Calloway, was released Tuesday from the Chester Hospital, where she had been confined since Oct. 28, when her automobile crashed into a pole on the Baltimore Pike near Media.

One of the other four occupants of the car, Mrs. Ruth Brown, a singer, is still at the hospital with a broken leg. Dr. Harry Forbes said she would hardly be discharged for some time.

Other Injuries Minor

The car was en route from Washington to New York, where Mrs. Brown was to open an engagement at the Apollo Theatre. The driver, Thomas Tombleston, Washington sportsman, swerved off the highway to avoid a head-on collision with another car.

Tombleston remained in the hospital for two days. Two others in the car, Mrs. Brown's husband, James, and Miss Virginia Henderson, escaped with minor injuries.

Show, Promoter Missing

MIAMI — Nearly 1500 persons waited in vain last Sunday for the appearance of the Trumpeters, who were billed to appear at Booker T. Washington High School.

Gloom settled on the near sell-out crowd as neither the show nor the promoter, W. T. Montgomery, appeared. It is reported that about $2,000 had been collected for advance tickets.

Miami detectives are looking for Montgomery, who was an out of towner.

Basie Near Crowd Mark in Michigan

FLINT, Mich.— Count Basie established the third highest attendance mark in the history of this city for a name band dance when he jammed the mammoth I.M.A. Auditorium with an enthusiastic throng of 7,287 dancers and spectators.

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Police Think These Scenes Will Lead to Solving the Glen Burnie Double Slaying

The above photos were taken at the home of Thomas A. Edwards, 23-year-old war veteran of Marley Neck, near Glen Burnie, who was arrested this week in connection with the double slaying on Sept. 17 of a white Glen Burnie couple and whom police say has confessed to the crime. First photo shows the small, three-room home of the suspect, who was employed up to his arrest. The second picture shows the utility cabinet in the home where police found a foreign-make revolver believed to be the death weapon. The gun was not hidden, but placed on the bottom shelf of the cabinet which is regularly used by the family. The picture on the right shows detectives searching the walls of a small ice shed sometimes used as a rifle target by the Edwards boys. Officers were looking for bullets to compare with the one recovered from the body of one of the victims. Officials had not disclosed a motive on Thursday. The case is to be presented to the Anne Arundel County Grand Jury on Thursday.

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2 Bombs Hurled at Maas House

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to a colored or Chinese family.

Defies Engineers

One of the signs, removed by unknown persons was replaced the week by another which now lists Jews and Gypsies among the desirable tenants.

Mr. Maas said that instead of removing the sign as directed by the city buildings engineer who objected to its size, he will add Greeks to the group of wanted applicants.

"I'll sell it to anybody but white Christians," declared Mr. Maas who has defied criticism of neighbors, newspaper dailies and the Real Estate Board by citing the guaranteed rights of the Constitution and maintaining that the property is for sale to such, "American citizens as I choose."

Called Spite Measure

Neighbors of Mr. Maas, considering protest action, have suggested that he is taking this stand because he objects to a proposal of the United Presbyterian Church to build a church on the lot adjacent to his home.

Denying that the church deal has anything to do with his sale arrangements, Mr. Maas said that he is going on a short vacation, but will return for the zoning board hearing at 3 p.m. Tuesday, when the church plan will be discussed.

His only objection to the church, he said, was its refusal to adhere to zoning board regulations in regard to property area and construction.

Cupid's Corner

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here included:

Juanita D. Allen, 28, divorced, both of New York City; Harry D. Boykin, 26, and Miss Irene Scott, 25, both Charlottesville, Va.; Mildred C. Dubinson, 20, both of Jersey City, N.J.

John Montgomery, 22, and Miss Barbara Caughman, 18, both of Homestead, Pa.; Henry Moseley, 31, and Miss Olivia Lee, 22, both of Washington D.C.; Frederick M. Guerrere, 19, Philadelphia, and Miss Ollie Mae Brinsfield, 19, of New York City, and Johnnie Williams, 20, and Miss Daisy M. Shepard, 48, divorced, both of Arlington, Va.

Baltimoreans licensed were:

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HOUSTON-LEE—Samuel B., 38; Dorothy L., 34, 118 W. Hill St.

WILLIAMS-MITCHELL — Willie Jr., 21, 1206 Ashland Ave.; Mary J., 20.

BOSWELL-JAMES—Roby S., 27, divorced; Mabel, 26.

BROWN-DONES—Jaffie W., 32, 1211 W. Fayette St.; Lue Bertha, 31, widow.

McBRIDE-FREEMAN — Sam, 38, divorced, 300 Monroe St.; Della, 42, widow.

JOHNSON-PIERCE — George J., 19, 1736 N. Dallas St.; Eleanor D., 22.

JENNINGS-DARE—Jackson, 22, widower, 917 Edmondson Ave.; Christine, 22.

MANSON-HARRISON — Chauncey, 21, 1030 Madison Ave.; Antoinette, 21.

GREEN-WILLIAMS—Maxwell L., 23, 209 N. Hoffman St.; Ethel M., 21.

GRIFFIN-LEWIS—Charles, 24; Annie H., 21, 1314 Booker St.

WILLIAMS-BRIDGE—Lee C., 31, 923 N. Carey St., Jonas, 18.

Mayor Demands Action on Hospital

Mayor D'Alesandro would accept no excuses, Thursday for delaying construction of the new tuberculosis unit for colored patients at City Hospitals.

"I don't care if we have to hold up every other project on the list I want to get that project started in 1949," he Mayor declared as the building construction engineer protested that no preliminary drawings have been made.

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Doubt Vet Murdered Glen Burnie Couple

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ning for the party his sister, Miss Mary Francis Edwards, a Morgan State College student, declared.

These socials are held almost every Friday night in a small hall in Freetown on the property owned by Harrison Raynor.

A number of other persons questioned said they had seen Edwards either on the way to the dance or in the hall.

Community disturbed

The entire community is disturbed over the series of arrests that have been staged by Anne Arundel County police and Baltimore City detectives during the past seven weeks.

Several persons who reside in the community have been held over week ends and grilled intensely in connection with the crimes. It was pointed out.

The alarm increased on Tuesday of this week when the officers returned to the Edwards home in search of the suspect and his brothers.

Whole Family Questioned

Three of the brothers, James, 38; Nathaniel, 26, and Samuel, 20, were arrested at different places. Thomas was taken into custody at his place of employment, a South Baltimore sugar refinery. They were detained overnight and grilled.

Also, the parents and sister of the Edwards boys were taken to the Waterloo State Police barracks and questioned.

This was how different members of the family got an opportunity to