Philadelphia Orchestra Well Received in Town Hall Concert

Music lovers from all along the Eastern seaboard were present Sunday afternoon for the Town Hall concert of the Philadelphia Concert Orchestra with Raymond L. Smith conducting and Edward Hutchinson, guest pianist.

The concert was one of the most successful presented by the orchestra. The 60 members of the phony group showed skill in the presentation of the opening overture, "Coriolan," by Beethoven.

The audience also showed high percent appreciation of the Second Suite from the Opera "Carmen," and David Rose's "Holiday for Strings."

Gives Four Encores

Hutchinson, who was graduated from the Philadelphia Musical Academy this year, made his appearance after the intermission with a skillful interpretation of Gershwin's "Rhapsody in Blue" and, by popular demand, gave four encores. He was called on for four encores.

Share 'Men of the Year' Honors

Vernon Hutchins, Baltimore's top emcee, is shown awarding gold watches to E. B. Rea (left), as "Man of the Year," and Blue Top Wynn, as runner-up, last Friday night from the stage of the Royal Theatre, at the conclusion of a voters' contest sponsored by the R.W.L. Wine and Liquor Co. and promoted by Dunbar L. Young, its representative. Other contestants received gold awards.

June Ekcstine Injured in Crash, Companion Killed

DECATUR, Ill.—June Ekcstine, wife of singer Billy Ekcstine, narrowly averted death as her car was driven off the road by a trailer truck on the outskirts of this city last week, as she was en route to join her husband, who was appearing in an engagement at the Blue Note Night club in Chicago.

Mrs. Ekcstine suffered a broken arm, cuts and bruises. Travelling with her was Stan Hasselgard, prominent jazz musician, who was thrown from the car and instantly killed, and Bob Redcross, chauffeur, who emerged with only minor injuries. Mrs. Ekcstine was detained for two days at St. Mary's Hospital in Decatur where her husband immediately joined her.

Following her release from the hospital, Mrs. Ekcstine left for Chicago with her husband, but to New York, persistent reports in Harlem say she was en route to Reno (also) to see her husband, who is now appearing in an engagement at the Royal Theatre, at the conclusion of a voters' contest sponsored by the R.W.L. Wine and Liquor Co. and promoted by Dunbar L. Young, its representative. Other contestants received gold awards.

Orioles' New Hit Soaring

The Orioles, who currently have one of the nation's biggest jukebox hits in their recording of "It's too Soon to Know" on the Natural label, appear to have come up with another one of the top platters for the forthcoming holiday season in their new release of "Lonely Christmas" on the Jubilee label.

According to the latest figures released from the office of Jerry Blaine, president of both record firms, the Orioles already have sold over a quarter million platters, with their hit waxing of "It's Too Soon to Know," while their disc of "Lonely Christmas" is rapidly approaching the 250,000 mark.

The Orioles are slated to play return engagements at the Royal Theater in Baltimore and the Howard in Washington in January.

Band Routes

BETTI MAYS
Dec. 1-4, Philadelphia.
Dec. 5-11, Norfolk, Va.
Dec. 12-18, Philadelphia.
Dec. 19-25, Reverse, Mass.

JOE MORRIS
Dec. 1-13, New Haven, Conn.
with BILL MOORE
Dec. 6-11, Philadelphia.

JOE THOMPSON
Dec. 3, Reverse, Mass.; 4, Newark, N.J.

Pennsylvania Avenue

By E. B. REA

PINNED DOWN for the past four weeks has left your columnist muscle-bound between the ears, which will necessitate a little skull practice before getting back into touchdown form.

AMONG SOME OF THE THINGS called to my attention are that Kenny Bass is trying to outCantor Eddie Cantor in the girls' department—Cantor has five, Kenny running a close second with three . . . Sue Williams, Casino barmaid, is recovering from a recent operation . . . Some of the protestors against the transfer of license for the Wagon Wheel have black marks against their places on the Liquor Board ledger — a case of sinners casting the first stone . . .

IT WAS REVEALED that the Stadium Loan was defeated by about 4,000 votes. Here's the prediction that any other vote suffer unless the Stadium is opened to athletic events of all races . . . Morgan State College and all local high schools . . . And, it was evidenced that colored aspirants for exalted jobs in Baltimore and Maryland won't get them until somebody gets out of the political pawnshop.

WENDELL WILSON, Vilma prop, went out on the limb with Dewey and Truman came along and sawed it off . . . The "Heart Beat" was demolished in a crash, but came out better than the "Hon. eydripper" . . . With Ike Dixon giving us an elaborate musical bar, Gamby and the Avenue Cafe top-notch floor shows, Ubangi, variety entertainment, and the Sphinx Club exclusive features, the Avenue is taking on the air of a real Swing Street.

LLOYD (FAT MAN) JOHNSON, recently commended along with Det. Sgt Hiram (This Man) Butler, feeding a suspected offender . . . fingerprints . . . Capt. Emerson on a Saltidentex's pounding along the Avenue . . . Davis's barbershop in Laurens St. boasting a "new look" neon sign . . . Lawyers for the operators of an Avenue business may soon be talking with outside lawyers over slander and defamation of character charges, which won't do the business any good when the public learns the facts.

ORCHIDS TO THE ROYAL management for taking a firm stand against the rowdies who make it uncomfortable for people who want to enjoy themselves in peace . . . Dave Jones's "Cat" taking the lock (when!) fast in the center of a trolley track. Just imagine calling Big Bill to move a "Cat"!

THROUGH BIFOCAL GLASSES — Askew Gatewood sitting in a barbershop window getting a manicure. (Oh, my dear mon!) . . . Naked manikin in a show window drawing a crowd of kiddies . . . Some of the Avenue spots (dogged by Health Department investigators) doing a cleanup job—having fronts painted . . . Television in the Royal Music Store window drawing stand-up audiences.

THROUGH EYES AND EARS—Ninety-five per cent of the "bootleg" cabs (those gorgeous dream boats — tagged for traffic violations along the Avenue are registered under women's names, court records show . . . A North-west Baltimore poolroom gang laying plans for pre-holiday "snatches." Unescorted females will be the victims of the "big snatch."

Teen-age wine buyers are switching from the Avenue to a nearby spot, where the buyword is: "Cal says it's O.K."

THINGS UNNOTICED — The J. Edward Harrisses, 2103 Druid Hill Ave. (he known as the Avenue's Waiters), observed their forty-third wedding anniversary on Monday . . . Gus Brown, the former hipswinger, rocking a new number—a girl . . . Increasing number of "stool pigeons" being planted on the Avenue to steer the "pigeons" in the same coop—a case of not letting the right hand know what the left hand is doing.

SIGN OF THE TIMES — BUSINESSMEN are crying "hard times" just because "Newey didn't Dew-it" . . . Some of the Avenue's lesser political lights were not their skimpy "mess of porridge" during the last election, will be having "Plenty o' Nuttin" until the next campaign rolls around . . . Lunchroom Lunchroomette, 1805 Pennsylvania, eliminates the necessity of being fed on the sidelash spots and eating it on the side-lash, because of the color of one's skin.

UNTOLD STORY TOLD — An ex-GI telling how he sent his overseas pay home to his parents to keep. How they spent it and "posted" him out of the house when he returned home . . . Ingratitude? Well, the ex-GI said, "my father being a minister."

The entertainment spotlight for the past week has been on two stars. Sara Lou Harris and Una Mae Carlisle, singer and pianist, respectively and both endowed with nature's crowning glory, beauty.

Harwood's C. Wine and Liquor Co. deserves commendation for its democratic policy of giving its representative, Dunbar L. Young, an equal break as a bonafide staff member. That's a far cry from some of the local companies, serving colored businesses, which don't even give their salesmen a break on their trucks . . . But, we keep on boxing their wares and pushing their sales.

HAPPY CELEBRATION—The William (Batt) Grays, 606 Smithson St., had a double celebration on Tuesday: his birthday and their (she the former Addie Washington), twenty - second wedding anniversary . . . A new Tipsy Club, composed of Avenue bloods is being formed for the purpose of throwing strength against supporters of vice and rackets along the Avenue . . . Critical eyes are watching a local photographer who specializes in "shooting" girls in the nude—bare facts.

VILE PREPARATIONS—A number of AFRO advertisers along the Avenue are dressing their establishments for the holiday trade. Bessie's Men's Shop, 1600 block, among the first merchants wearing signs. Walter Thomas's Gazette Grille keeps up its enticing appearance. Walter is one of Stroll's youngest businessmen . . . The Regent Theatre (Buddy Newton, manager), getting ready for a parade of Three-Bell pictures, featuring top stars. All Regent affiliated houses are stuffed with colored talent.

Say, readers, what are some of the improvements you would like to see implemented for the coming year? Just drop a line to Pennsylvania Avenue, care AFRO-AMERICAN, 628 N. Eutaw St. Sign full name and address, stating, "What I think would improve conditions along Pennsylvania Avenue."

FOUR NIGHT SPOTS ON the Avenue are still on the baggin' Friday with no takers . . . FLASH! Girls! Girls! Girls! . . . Go ahead, Gigi (or the Wagon Wheel). There will be no transfer, but the spot will reopen Christmas Day with Glasco McCann as manager . . . Sarah Prettyman, daughter of the band leader, Edward Prettyman, is working on her music master's at New York U. She'll return home next Friday for a week's vacation with the family and at Bethel AME Church.

THAT'S ALL FOR NOW, except all criticism of rascals in this column is praise for honest folk—And, thanks to the many many friends and acquaintances who remembered to send cheery "hurry and get well" cards and other tokens while your columnist was pinned down . . . A big hand and every one who sent a token in the mail 'at the Year" contest—Thanks, again.

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Jacquet Gets Bid From Home Towners

HOUSTON, Texas—Illinois Jacquet has been offered a guarantee of $5,000 to play a New Year's Eve dance date at the Houston Coliseum in his first appearance in his native State of Texas, it was revealed this week.

Jacquet was born and reared in Houston, contrary to other beliefs aroused by his first name of Illinois. He left Texas while still in his teens.

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Organist Bob Wyatt, together with pianist Billy Taylor, now heads the show at Wells' Music Bar in Harlem.

Sarah Vaughan to Return to B'way

NEW YORK — Sarah Vaughan will return to Broadway to open an engagement at The Clique, new Ebony Club on Thursday.

The singing star has just recently completed a concert tour with Illinois Jacquet's band on which she and Jacquet rolled up the biggest grosses in the history of the jazz concert field.

Fred Waring to Honor Harry Burleigh on Radio

CHICAGO — (ANP) — Fred Waring and the Pennsylvania . . . will honor veteran American composer Harry T. Burleigh on their Thursday morning, Dec. 2, program. The Pennsylvanians will present the Burleigh composition, "Behold That Star."

The program will originate from Urbana, Ill., and will be beamed over the NBC network at 9 a.m. (CST).

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The basketball clinic sponsored by the Department of the Druid Hill Avenue YMCA and the Baltimore Board of Officials will open Monday, and continue until Friday.

Outstanding coaches will discuss the various fundamentals and techniques of play throughout the week beginning Monday at 7:30 nightly at the Y gymnasium. The instructions are geared primarily to meet the needs and interests of junior high and high school players. However, it is assured that coaches, officials and fans will find much material to aid in understanding and appreciation of the game.

Reginald Watts, president of the BBO, will function as coordinator during the sessions. The clinic will open Monday with an interpretation of rules changes by Joseph Wiles and other members of the BBO. Carver Vocational School will provide players for demonstrations.

On Tuesday evening, Talmadge Hill, Morgan State College varsity basketball coach, will discuss individual fundamentals of basketball, and members of the Morgan varsity will be used for demonstrations.

Myers to Talk

Coach Edward Myers, varsity coach at Johns Hopkins University, will discuss defense Wednesday. Coach Myers is an exponent of the man-to-man defense and places considerable emphasis on defense with his teams. Vocational players will appear in demonstrations.

On Thursday, Coach Edward L. Jackson, Howard University varsity mentor, will be on hand with several of his Bison players to explain and demonstrate techniques and formations of offensive play. Coach Jackson will probably emphasize the fast break which characterizes his teams.

The instructional phase of the clinic will wind up Friday when Coach Bert Jeannette, spark plug of the Baltimore Bullets, summarizes the work of the week. Coach Jeannette will include some instruction on foul shooting, a phase of the game on which he spent considerable time with the Bullets. Several other Bullet players also will be on hand.

On Saturday, the clinic will close with the opening game of the basketball season at the Y between the Y Big Five and Carver Vocational. Harold J. Jennifer, Jr., physical education secretary of the Druid Hill Ave. YMCA, is in charge of the clinic.

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22 Boxers Train for Bisons' Team

WASHINGTON

Howard University's boxing team, headed by Norvel Lee, 1948 Olympic heavyweight alternate, reported to Coach Sam E. Barnes, 22 strong, this week, as the Hill toppers launched their training for the coming season.

Along with Lee, some 13 veterans of last year's team, including Monte Hiekman, defending CIAA middleweight king, and Harry Cochrane, light-heavyweight runner-up to David White of Morgan in a split decision, will form the nucleus of the Bisons' squad.

Intersectional Meets Scheduled

In addition to their regular CIAA schedule, the Bisons have carded meets with Tennessee State College, Midwestern Conference Champions, New York City YMCA, and the intersectional meets with Brooklyn College and Lock Haven (Pa.) College.

Bolstered by the turnout of several newcomers, Coach Barnes expects a vastly improved team this season.

Team Members Named

Members of this year's boxing squad prior to the pruning which is expected shortly include:

William Williams, 130; Kenneth Leedy, 135; Julius Guess, 165; Calvin Hackey, 155; James Williams, 143; Leon Monroe, 118; Charles Howze, 175; William Lee, 155; Fred Porter, 155; William Lewis, 121; Elmo Caldwell, 121; Leon Bridges, 128; Charles Strickland, 128; Fred Sharpe, 136.

Clarence Roberts, 165; William Walker, 147; Kenneth Dean, 145; Monte Hickman, 155; Harry Cochrane, 175; J. C. Barber, 185; Norvel Lee and Theodore Wilson, heavyweights.

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Bobby Lee Fights Bratton to Draw

PHILADELPHIA

Baltimore's Bobby Lee, who always comes up with a substantial fight in Philadelphia rings, held Johnny Bratton, oversized Chicago lightweight, to a 10-round draw at the Arena, Monday night, before some 2,000 customers.

Undersized in each of his five local appearances, Lee, a swarthy welterweight, has failed to escape defeat but once. And he gave Walter Champion Ray Robinson a rousing battle before losing here three weeks ago.

Previously, Lee had outgunned Lennox Dingle, Billy Nixon and Livio Minelli in local encounters.

One official, Judge Joe Costello (5-4-1), thought Lee had beated Bratton. The draw decision was effected by the ballots of Referee Charley Daggert and Dave Howard, both of whom awarded each principal five rounds.

Most of the fans thought Lee merited a split, although the general opinion was that Bratton and Howard have non had he extended himself.

The Chicagoan — showoman — who apparently gets a great delight out of his footwork, did more dancing than punching.

Splinters From Bowling Alleys

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Pin Jivers	3	45
Pin Jokers	2	46
Pin Jousters	1	47

Social Security Wins

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Pin Pounders	2	0
Pin Smashers	2	0
Pin Shakers	2	0
Pin Tickers	2	0
Pin Twirlers	2	0
Pin Twisters	2	0
Pin Jugglers	2	0
Pin Jumpers	2	0
Pin Jammers	2	0
Pin Jolters	2	0
Pin Jarers	2	0
Pin Jiggers	2	0
Pin Jinxers	2	0
Pin Jivers	2	0
Pin Jokers	2	0
Pin Jous