## Darling Daughter in TV Debut

This beaming twosome is shown before they left for Philadelphia, where Miss Ethel Ennis (right) appeared on Paul Whiteman's Teen-Age TV Show, last Saturday. Mrs Andrew Ennis is justly proud of her 17-year-old daughter who accompanied herself in a vocal rendition of "The Best Things in Life Are Free." They live at 1619 Balmor Ct. Miss Ennis got the opportunity after having been selected as the most outstanding performer on the Baltimore WAAM-TV's "It's High Time" program.

## Final Concerts to Be Given This Season by the No. 2 Park and Municipal Bands

The last two concerts of the 1950 season will be given by the No. 2 Municipal and Park Concert Bands of the Bureau of Music.

This evening (Friday), the No. 2 Band, conducted by Harrison M. Dodd, will make its final appearance in a concert in Cherry Hill beginning at 8:00, at the Community House, 2700 Spelman Road.

The complete program is as follows:

Baltimore, Our Baltimore ... Hemberger
Spirit of Independence March ... Holzmann
Atlantis Overture ... Safranek
Music-Music-Music ... Weiss
Rag Mop ... Wills
Visions ... Hayes
Flatbush Flanagan ... Jones
Chattanooga Shoe Shine Boy ... Stone
On The Mall ... Goldman
Glory of The Trumpets ... Brockenshire
The New Dawn Overture ... Russell
It Isn't Fair ... Hunter
Sweet Georgia Brown ... Bernie
Selections from Operaland ... Hayes
I'd've Baked A Cake ... Hoffman
Enjoy Yourself ... Magidson
National Emblem March ... Bagley
The Star Spangled Banner ... Key-Smith

On Sunday, August 13, the No. 2 Park Band, conducted by Charles E. Bwynn, will give final concert in Grove A, Druid Hill Park, beginning at 3:00 p.m.

Baltimore, Our Baltimore ... Hemberger
E Pluribus Unum March ... Jewell
The Conqueror Overture ... King
Serenade To Spring ... Cordon
Kingdom of Dreams ... Barnard
Powder Your Face With Sunshine ... Lombardi
Bad Bank Boogie ... Basie
Fritz ... Jewell
Marche Slav ... Tschaikowski
Star Dust ... Carmichael
The Light Calvary Overture ... Fillmore
Kiss Me Again ... Herbert
Knightbridge March ... Coates
Lady of Spain ... Evans
Have I Told You Lately That I Love You ... Freeman
Battle Royal March ... Jewell
The Star Spangled Banner ... Key-Smith

## Dagger Duel on Royal Screen

Rory Calhoun intends to drive home the point to Gordon MacRae in this climactic scene from "Return of the Frontiersman," now playing the Royal Theatre. The companion attraction is "Stage Fright" starring Jane Wyman and Marlene Dietrich.

## SHOW BILL

**BIDDLE (East Balto.)** — Sun. Mon. Joel McCrea and Harry Bellaver in "THE OUTRIDERS," plus Grant Withers in "HOMICIDE FOR 3."
**BRIDGE** — Sun., Mon., John Carroll and Adele Mara in "THE AVENGERS," plus Paul Douglas and Jean Hagen in "LOVE THAT BRUTE."
**CAREY** — Sun. to Tues., Louis Hayward and Patricia Medina in "FORTUNES OF CAPTAIN BLOOD." Wed. to Thurs., Randolph Scott and Anne Matthews in "MASSACRE RIVER."
**DIANE** — Sun. to Tues., Humphrey Bogart in "KNOCK ON ANY DOOR," plus Kent Taylor in "WESTERN PACIFIC AGENT."
**DUNBAR (East Balto.)** — Sun. to Tues. James Stewart, Shelley Winters and Stephen McNally in "WINCHESTER 73."
**HARLEM** —Now showing, Betty Hutton, Howard Keel and Louis Calhern in "ANNIE GET YOUR GUN."
**HILL** (Cherry Hill) — Sun., Mon. Alan Ladd and Wanda Hendrix in "CAPTAIN CAREY, U.S.A.," plus Billy Eckstine in "RHYTHM IN A RIFF."
**LAFAYETTE** — Sun. to Tues. Forrest Tucker and Adele Mara in "ROCK ISLAND TRAIL," plus Durango Kid and "THE RUSTLERS" in "TRAIL."
**LENOX** — Sun. to Tues., James Stewart, Shelley Winters and Dan Duryea in "WINCHESTER 73."
**LINCOLN** — Sun. to Tues., Allen Lane in "COVERED WAGON," plus "FORGOTTEN WOMEN" with an all-star cast.
**MADISON** — Sun. to Tues. Tyrone Power in "NIGHTMARE ALLEY," plus Cesar Romero in "WHITE SAVAGE."
**MET** — Now showing, Paulette Goddard and Pedro Armendariz in "THE TORCH," plus second feature, "DESTINATION MURDER."
**NEW ALBERT** — Held over to Sunday, Aug. 13, Randolph Scott in "CARIBOU TRAIL," plus Donald Patrick in "PARNIGHT BLUE." Note change of feature Sunday, Aug. 20, for extensive remodeling.
**NEW FREMONT** — Sun., Mon., Tom Conway in "I CHEATED THE LAW," plus Jon Hall in "ZAMBA."
**REGENT**—Now playing second week James Stewart and Debra Paget in "THE BROKEN ARROW," plus second feature, Thurs., one week, "FATHER OF THE BRIDE."
**ROOSEVELT** — Sun. to Tues., "JUNGLE PATROL," a thrilling adventure story, plus "WOLF HUNTERS."
**ROYAL** — Now showing Rory Calhoun and Gordon MacRae in "RETURN OF THE FRONTIERSMAN," plus Jane Wyman and Marlene Dietrich in "STAGE FRIGHT."

## Watchman Routs 2 Thugs Attempting to Steal Car

PHILADELPHIA

Two young thugs, finding a night watchman too tough to handle, were routed when they attempted to steal an automobile from a downtown garage, early last Wednesday morning.

The watchman, Charles James, 51, of 1920 Titan St., was in the Waverly Garage, 414 S. 16th St., alone when the youths entered and offered him $500 for one of the cars parked in the place.

James replied that none of the vehicles was for sale and ordered the pair out after they raised their offer. They left, but a short time later the watchman heard a rear window being raised and, investigating, found them climbing through it.

The first intruder to get into the garage whipped out an ice pick and, waving it menacingly, said to James:

"Let us alone or you'll get hurt. We're going to take a car."

Striking out swiftly, James said, he floored the weapon wielder with one punch. The latter, the fight knocked out of him, scrambled to his feet and joined his partner as he dashed from the place. They escaped by running west on Waverly St.

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## Guild of Variety Artists Pledge All-Out Fight Against Biased Acts of State Police

New York—The full weight of the more than 95,000 members of the Associated Actors and Artists of America will back its colored constituency to the hilt in situations revealing racial discrimination, Henry Dunn, national American Guild of Variety Artists, said on Thursday.

Mr. Dunn declared that he is currently awaiting results of an investigation promised by Governor Dewey and George M. Searle, deputy superintendent of the New York State Troopers into charges that these entertainers en route to fill engagements at upstate resorts have been humiliated and embarrassed by New York State Police.

In his letter of protest, which brought the promise of a probe, Dunn declared that some members of the AAAA had been forced to pull up to the side of the road, their baggage taken out, thrown around and inspected and, they themselves searched. The entertainers had been commanded to "shut up or wind up in jail," Dunn charged.

**Says Cops Set Limit**

"One of our members, who swears that at no time has he even exceeded a speed limit or been arrested for same, was going up a hill at 30 miles per hour and was stopped and accused of given a summons for that supposed violation."

Mid-Century World Convention on Christian Education, which opened on Thursday in Toronto.

## All This and Heaven

This is what you see when Mary Lou Gardner Greene, is on stage at Club 471 in Phila. Mary Lou does the vocalizing, this week, with the Tiny Bradshaw aggregation.

## Noted Stars to Headline Show

PHILADELPHIA

The American Legion will stage a half-million dollar show in Municipal Stadium on Friday night at 7 p.m., featuring the "musical miracle," Sarah Vaughan, and the famed "Stop the Music" show.

Fifty thousand dollars in gifts will be awarded spectators guessing the "mystery melodies." The event will be neither broadcast nor televised.

Paul Whiteman, renowned "king of jazz," also will be featured when he is awarded a citation for his work with young people. In addition, a "Flame of Liberty" ceremony and a re-production of the flag-raising at Iwo Jima, will mark the colorful spectacle.

Among the gifts will be a complete GE kitchen, an automobile, washing machine, refrigerators, electric ironers, radios and television sets. In addition, the Fred Astaire Dance Studios will give dancing lessons, and Al Bernier will award a year's supply of clothing.

## Delegates Oppose Mundt-Nixon Bill

One hundred and fifty delegates from 12 States converged on the District, this week, to an emergency conference called by the Committee to Defeat the Mundt-Nixon bill.

The meeting, an interracial gathering, was held in the ballroom of the Burlington Hotel at 11th and Vermont Ave., N.W.

The conference was called to fight the passage of the so-called Mundt-Ferguson bill as an amendment to the War Controls Act, which is designed to outlaw the Communist Party and other alleged "red" organizations.

**Threat to Democracy**

According to Jerry O'Connor, a former Congressman from Washington, the bill would extinguish democratic organizations and free speech.

On Wednesday, the groups staged a mass lobby on Capitol Hill, buttonholding Congressmen in an effort to gain support to kill the measure.

**BOSTONIANS ASK GOURDIN'S PROMOTION TO GENERAL**

BOSTON— A petition is being circulated here urging General Douglas MacArthur to promote Col. Edwin O. Gourdin, now with the 24th Infantry Regiment in Korea, to the rank of general.

## Albert to Close for Renovations

"The Cariboo Trail," and its companion picture, "Tarnished," will show through Sunday at the New Albert Theatre.

Following the Sunday show, the theatre will close for a short period for remodeling, the installation of more seats and other modern features.

## GOP Plans Rally In N. Brentwood

BRENTWOOD, Md. — Republicans of North Brentwood, Md., are sponsoring a turkey box supper on Friday, Aug. 18, at the Town Hall there when candidates for both state and county offices will be introduced.

State Senator Roy Tasco Davis and John Marshall Butler, candidates for Governor and Senator, respectively, will head the list.

Other newly-formed "Know Your-Precinct Republican Clubs" from Cedar Heights, Fairmount Heights, Chapel Oaks Melrose and Hyattsville are co-operating in this effort to bring the candidates to the voters.

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WED.-THURS. AUG. 16-17: LEX BARKER, VANESSA BROWN in "TARZAN & the SLAVE GIRL"; SCOTT BRADY, MONA FREEMAN in "I WAS A SHOP LIFTER"; TEX WILLIAMS, MARY MORRIS in "PECOS PISTOLS"; "PECOS PISTOLS"
WED.-THURS. AUG. 16-17: HURD HATFIELD, JEAN WILLES in "CHINATOWN AT MIDNIGHT"; VAN JOHNSON, ELIZABETH TAYLOR in "BIG HANGOVER"; "Riders of Death Valley" No. 10
FRI.-SAT. AUG. 18-19: GLEN FORD, ELLEN DREW in "MAN FROM COLORADO"; DURANGO & SMILEY "FRONTIER OUTPOST"; "COPY OF PONY EXPRESS" No. 3; "INVISIBLE MONSTER" No. 4; CARTOON, COMIC
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No. 1—Evelyn Keyes · Edgar Buchanan · Larry Parks in "RENEGADES"
No. 2—Randolph Scott · Glenn Ford · Claire Trevor in "DESPERADOES"
Plus: "CODY OF THE PONY EXPRESS" No. 5.



## Family Seeking Alexander Hall

WASHINGTON

The family of Alexander Hall, 35, are seeking his whereabouts. Hall formerly lived in Washington at 5078 Jay St., N. E. He has not been in touch with members of his family for five years.

He has a brother, Charles G. Hall, residing in Washington at the Jay St. address who would like to know where he is and another brother in their native home, William C. Hall, of 722 Glasgow St., Portsmouth, Va.

**Has Worked Around Ships**

Alexander is believed to be living in or near Philadelphia. He has followed the occupation of working on or around boats. It is possible, his family thinks, that he might be working on some ship sailing in and out of Philadelphia. Anybody knowing Alexander's whereabouts are requested to notify either of his brothers . . .

## 'Father' Follows 'Arrow' at Regent

Spencer Tracy, Joan Bennett and Elizabeth Taylor representing the distaff side of the family in "Father of the Bride," opening Thursday, Aug. 17, at the Regent. The current film is "Broken Arrow," held over a second week.

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SUN.-MON.-TUES. — 3 DAYS — AUG. 13-14-15: No. 1—Tyrone Power-Jean Blondell in "NIGHTMARE ALLEY" A Daring and Most Unusual Picture; No. 2—Maria Montez-Jon Hall in "WHITE SAVAGE" (Technicolor)
WED.-THURS. Aug. 16-17: No. 1—Dane Andrews-Marta Toren in "SWORD IN THE DESERT" Story of the War in the Near East; No. 2—Maureen O'Hara-Vincent Price in "BAGDAD" (All Technicolor)
FRI.-SAT. Aug. 18-19: No. 1—LOUIS HAYWARD in "MAN in the IRON MASK"; No. 2—ALAN LANE in "SUNDOWN in SANTA FE"

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THURSDAY AUGUST 17: MICHAEL O'SHEA, VIRGINIA GRAY in "THE THREAT"; Also DONALD O'CONNOR, GLORIA De HAVEN in "YES SIR, THAT'S MY BABY"
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## CONCORDS and DISCORDS

By W. LLEWELLYN WILSON

Critically following the course of musical development here in the U.S., one must note with growing interest what have been the trends in music education among colored people.

Our earlier musicians strove only to become virtuoso executants; whose sole aim was to achieve careers as concert artists. Many talented players and singers looked with contempt upon the art and science of teaching.

Very few were willing to apply themselves earnestly to the study of the concomitant branches of art, literature, history, science and the languages which are so necessary to become a thoroughly competent teacher.

**Ten Thought of Teaching**

Few musicians ever thought of striving to become a virtuoso teacher. I am acquainted with musicians, who at one time looked down on the teaching of music. They proudly proclaimed as they vainly attempted to attain success as performers, "Those who can do; those who can't, teach."

It is now very gratifying to note that many of our finest performers are intelligent enough to know that a top ranking music teacher must combine the ability to sing or to play on some one instrument, with consummate skill and a wealth of general information and a thorough empiric and scientific knowledge of human psychology.

Among our latter day music teachers to be found in the East who are the embodiment of such sterling attributes as I have enumerated may be mentioned: Ernest Hayes, of Hampton; Carol Blanton, Morgan State College; Thomas Kerr, Marty Fox, Louis Vaugh Jones, Georgeanne M. Chester, and Todd Duncan.

The establishing of music schools and conservatories, which colored musicians all over the country are heading, is another step forward in our musical development.

**Some Modern Schools**

Here in Baltimore, the Institute of Musical Arts, Inc. is making it possible for music students to receive a very good musical education.

In Washington, our neighboring city, The Modern School of Music, a recently established, but flourishing school, is doing an excellent job in the training of music. The faculty is racially mixed and it has already attained a standard of instruction and has the necessary courses, and is so thoroughly equipped that it is authorized to confer the degree of bachelor of music upon its graduates.

Truly among us music marches on.

## Foote Hits Holmes' 'Charity' Avowal

Maxwell Foote denied, this week, that he ever accepted charity from the Rev. M. E. Holmes, the radio evangelist he is suing for $500.

The suit, filed in Superior Court here Monday, charged that the Rev. Mr. Holmes failed to pay Foote a promised fee of $300 for arranging a personal appearance on Palm Sunday of Henry Armstrong, former world boxing champion, now turned evangelist.

In a statement to the press the evangelist denied that he promised Foote any money, under any such contract. The Rev. Mr. Holmes said he gave Foote "certain sums of money because he (Foote) was unable to take care of himself" at the time he came back to Baltimore from California.

**Says He Arranged Appearance**

Mr. Foote contends that as a personal friend of Armstrong, he obtained the ex-fighter's services for the Rev. Mr. Holmes at a lower fee that is usually charged. He said all correspondence leading up to Armstrong's appearance at the Armory, Palm Sunday, was mailed directly to his home.

Mr. Foote declared:

"I am surprised that the Rev. Mr. Holmes should make such a statement that I was in need of charity. It is a gross untruth. I have always been gainfully employed, at a good salary. A minister of the gospel should live up to his contract just as any other citizen."

## Gov. Driscoll to Be Honored by Elks

WASHINGTON (NNPA) — J. Finley Wilson, grand exalted ruler of the Elks, said Monday that presentation of the Elia P. Lovejoy gold medal to Gov. Alfred E. Driscoll will be one of the highlights of the annual Elks' convention to be held in Chicago, Aug. 20-to 27.

This will be the first presentation of the medal, given in memory of one of the heroes of the early abolitionist movement.

Mr. Wilson said he will personally make the presentation to Governor Driscol at the civil liberties meeting at DuSable High School, Monday evening, Aug. 21.

He was chosen for his leadership in putting into effect a full civil rights program in New Jersey, including the abolition of racial segregation in the New Jersey National Guard.

## Lukewarm Audience Hails Premiere of Sesqui Drama

WASHINGTON

"Faith of Our Fathers" opened at the new Sesquicentennial amphitheatre in Rock Creek Park last Friday night.

The premiere had all the glamour and glitter of a major theatrical event, including the personal appearance of President Truman and his family.

The facilities of the amphitheatre were splendid, the cast had worked hard in all-night rehearsals, and the audience was eager to be pleased. The costumes also were fine and the sets well handled.

**Left Audience Lukewarm**

In spite of all these favorable factors, though, the opening performance of Paul Green's drama left first-nighters if not cold, at least somewhat lukewarm.

Except for the singing of the Sesqui chorus and the acting of John Tate as "Alonzo Assessia" fame, there wasn't simply anything to rave about.

Charles McClelland, an experienced professional actor, gave a curiously uninspired portrayal of George Washington, the central figure in the pageant. It was as if his mind were miles away from the historical and human events in which he was taking part, and the audience could not warm up to him very much.

**Tale Stole the Show**

The audience did warm up to Tate, however, even though his role as Billy Lee, Washington's personal servant, was hampered somewhat by the woodenness of the star performer's acting. Mr. Tate brought life and humor to the pageant whenever he appeared and was considered by many Friday night to have stolen the show.

Roxie Roker, known for her performances with the Howard Players, was vivacious and gay as Billy Lee's sweetheart, Hannah.

So far as other colored members of the cast are concerned, it must be remembered that the period of American history presented by Mr. Green's pageant was tragic and often horrible one, in which the words "freedom" and "liberty" sound a little ironic to members of the race.

Some inkling of this tragic irony might have infused more human warmth and drama into Mr. Green's pageant if he could have viewed the slaves at Mount Vernon through the same humanistic light in which he endeavored to portray George Washington.

**Credit Goes to Green**

To his credit it must be added in this connection that Mr. Green announced at the outset that there must be no discrimination in the cast of "Faith of Our Fathers," he also departed from the "spiritual stereotype by writing original folk songs for Billie Lee to sing, about 15 years ago while all were Howard University dancer, a better opportunity to display her skill, then the producers of the pageant at first intended.

Mr. Green also had included a poem by Phillis Wheatley in his original script and he added Benjamin Banneker to the cast as a tribute to the part Banneker played in laying out the city of Washington.

However, in the cornerstone laying, Banneker, represented by George Johnson of the Howard Players, does not have a word to say.

The Sesqui Chorus in which several Howard singers appear, is excellent, however, and some of the individual scenes in "Faith of Our Fathers"—notably Shay's Rebellion — are memorable. Thomas Jones as Isaac Bell, a war profiteer, and Lawrency Ryle as L'Enfant, the French engineer who designed the city of Washington, also enlivened the pageant with their individual performances.

The drama will continue to be presented nightly except on Mondays through Sept. 30.

The amphitheatre is located in Rock Creek Park at the Colorado Avenue entrance. It may be reached by the S-2 (16th Street) bus which connects with crosstown buses on K St., and which goes directly to the amphitheatre.—L.T.

## Goddard Star of 'Torch' at Met

Accented by brilliant photographic backgrounds, Bert Granet's story of a tempestuous love affair during the Mexican uprising of 1918, "The Torch," starring Paulette Goddard and Pedro Armendariz, is currently playing at the Met.

In "The Torch" Miss Goddard portrays a fiery senorita of aristocratic family who falls in love with a rebel general, played by Armendariz, and is carried off on a stormy courtship.

## Basso of Famous Charioteers Dies

NEW YORK — Edward (Eddie) Jackson, 35, basso of the famous Charioteers, died here last week after a short illness.

His death was attributed to high blood pressure.

Jackson had been a member of the group since it was organized about 15 years ago while all were students at Wilberforce University.

## Singing Torch Songs at the Harlem

Betty Hutton sings "I'm An Indian Too," one of the 10 outstanding Irving Berlin songs hits in "Annie Get Your Gun," now playing the Harlem.

## 'Theatre in the Round' to Open Here on Aug. 16

WASHINGTON

Washington will have a theatre in the round next week when the Arena Stage opens air conditioned Hippodrome, New York Ave., at 8th St. N.W.

The first production will be Sho Stoops to Conquer, which opens on Aug. 16 and will run through Sept. 2. There will be performances every evening except Sunday, with matinees on Wednesday and Saturday.

"Arena" plays which have become increasingly popular this past year, are presented on a stage in the center of the theatre, with the audience seated in rows of seats on all four sides of the stage.

Practically every kind of play has been produced in this kind of central staging, the most recent notable success being "The Medium" and "The Telephone" at the Edison Hotel in New York.

**New From Every Seat**

At the new Arena Stage here there are three rows of seats on each side of the stage, and seven rows at the front and rear. All rows behind the first are elevated, making for perfect sight lines and no seats will be more than seven rows from the stage, making every seat a best seat.

The local central stage acting company, headed by Edward Mangum and Zelda Fichandler, plans to bring about 15 different plays to Washington during a 40-week season. There will also be several weeks of repertory at the end of the season bringing back the best plays of the year.

## Pair Pledges Smith Backing in Fight for Confirmation

"I will do everything in my power to fight for the confirmation of Emory Smith as a Municipal Court Judge," Hubert B. Pair, assistant corporation counsel, assured the AFRO, this week.

Mr. Pair had been prominently mentioned as a possibility for the vacancy on the Municipal Court bench, to which Mr. Smith Rockville 3404, was nominated, last Tuesday, by President Truman.

**SUSPECTED DRUG ADDICT**

Accused of having 11 marijuana cigarettes in his possession, Lester Gray, 28, of the 800 block W. Saratoga St., was held under $500 bail for grand jury action, following a hearing in Northwestern police court, Tuesday.

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