MUSICAL MOMENTS

Met stars embark on Cross-Country song tour

By ADAH K. JENKINS

Bon Voyage — to Nathan Jones, who has been accepted by the Metropolitan Opera Touring Company and will leave this month for a 49-week tour across the country.

The lyric tenor, who is a native Baltimorean, has received his contract and been measured for his costumes. He is a student at the Peabody Conservatory, with Mme. Alice Duschek, who encouraged him to take the Metropolitan audition, held recently at the National Gallery of Art in Washington.

Mr. Jones, who possesses a rare combination of ambition and modesty, declared "I will be working with great concentration and Spartan discipline in whatever artistic role I am asked to do. The main importance is not the major or minor significance of the task, but the growth in experience."

Although he has an abiding interest in opera, Nathan's ambition is to be a concert soloist like his idol, Roland Hayes.

JAMES NATHAN JONES

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HE TRACES his earliest inspiration to participation, as a boy soprano, in the Boys Choir at Coleridge Taylor (Sch. 122) under the direction of William Meredith Birche Jr. There were numerous local concerts and annual tours of the east coast.

At Douglass High School his talents were encouraged further by coaching with Robert Earl Anderson and by weekly appearances with a quartet on the Ted Mack show on WJZ.

During his stint with the Navy, Nathan lost no time musically, as he sang with several Navy shows in Norfolk. Return to civilian life meant continuing his training at Morgan, where he graduated in music education in 1965.

While employed at the local Post Office, Mr. Jones entered Peabody Conservatory, where he is a student of Mme. Alice Duschek.

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LAST SEASON he was heard to fine effect in a concert version of the opera "Porgy and Bess," with Joseph Eubanks, his Chorale and the Baltimore Symphony at the Lyric Pops concert.

This spring he was guest soloist with the Eubanks Chorale in the Bach "Magnificat" and also appeared in concert at Morgan State College.

Mr. Jones is cantor at Immaculate Conception R. C. Church on Mosher Street and soloist with the Ausburg Lutheran Church.

The personable young singer credits his family with consistent encouragement in his career and acknowledges especially an uncle, who is a professional guiatrist, his mother, Mrs. Theresa D. Anderson and his wife, Mrs. Ella Jones.

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THE BUSY summer season

Mohawk pool dedication set July 17

Dedication of the $60,000 swimming pool at the YMCA's Camp Mohawk is set for Sunday afternoon, July 17.

The camp is located in Huntingtown, near Prince Frederick in Calvert County, Md.

Power line installation delayed the official opening and dedication of the Olympic-size pool. 'It will give us a chance to make every camper a swimmer,' said A. P. Moss, director.

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VISITORS at the camp last Sunday included:

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Johnson, Miss Muriel Johnson, Miss Deborah Brooks, Mrs. Jean Alexander, Mr. David Alexander and Ronald, Renee and David Alexander;

Also, Mrs. Mary M. Grier, Donald Stevenson, Miss Carolyn Grier, Alan Grier, William J. Moss, Dr. and Mrs. Homer Favor, Miss Vicky Favor, Delmas Milbourne, Miss Zenobia Barner, Miss Marie Phillips;

And, Mr. and Mrs. Robert West, Emerson Taylor, M. C. Williams, William Nedward, Miss Annie Taylor and Miss Dorothy Nedward.

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BOYS ARE enrolled for the month of July. Girls will register for three weeks beginning August 1. The camp serves children ages 7 to 16.

Edward Clapp, Baltimore teacher is program coordinator. Mr. and Mrs. Edward Robinson are resident welfare directors.

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BOYS registered this week are:

New boys enrolled at camp next week include: Eugene O'Cord, Tyrone Ronald Hall, Tymothy Jay Henson, John Kenneth Williams, Stevens H. Diggs, James Waters, Albert G. Goode, Jr., William Kennie Knight, Henry Mangio, Logan Kennedy, Robert Matthews, Jr., Roderick Thomas, James O. Blackwell, Jr., Richard White, Joseph B. Williams, Lawrence E. Ogle, Jr., Arthur L. Hughes, Jr., Brian D. Copeland, Isaiah Dixon III, Richard J. White, III, Thomas B. Smith, David A. Tyler, Michael A. McCormick, Baxter Greene, Charles R. Perry, Maichael P. Lee, Robert Samuels, Jr., Kenneth D. Jefferson, Matthew P. Crawley, Jr. Sylvester Leo Jones, Jr., Timothy Hoez, Richard Klingenhofer, Guy Francis, Frederick Douglass.

Hard to open and hard to close packages are among false representation, label in the peeves of housewives.

Vista is no longer for cycle outlaws

By BERNARD GARNETT

Vista Raceway has come a long way from the days when they sponsored only "outlaw" motorcycle races.

Today, all events at the Prince Georges County clay track are sanctioned by the American Motorcycle Association. This makes Vista one of the few — if not the only — AMA sanctioned colored-owned track.

Besides, Billy Bee Bell, a Washington product, was working as the AMA's first colored official. He is a Vista product.

Vista, in operation since 1952, has had to go the route of colored aspirants in most popular American sports, where the nonwhites had to "prove" themselves capable of competing with the whites.

Up to 1964, all of Vista's races were of the "outlaw" variety, which meant no members of the national organization could participate.

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THEREFORE, David F. Tonkins and his associates had to pick up anyone they could — the highway ramrodders, drunks — to present a full day's fare.

With the breakthrough two years ago, Vista was finally able to promise competition from the motorcycle world's "Great Society."

In fact, the bike jockeys consider the clay track a must while enroute to the 10,000 to $20,000 "Big Race" purses in some other parts of the country.

At the same time, Vista has now been able to pay out prizes in comparison with the AMA averages. The featured attraction Sunday was offering a purse of $900 to the "expert victor."

And 9/10 of a grand is a lot of money for racing only five miles around a half-mile track.

BELL, of the 5200 block of Dix St. NE, a cab driver, has been in the saddle of many a growling motor bike.

He started out in 1939 and was one of Vista's first "outlaws" in 1952. Bell also raced on the tracks at Manassas, Va.; Longside, N.J; and the old Hawkins Farm, Md. track.

He was a formidable competitor in a rugged sport that does not see too many tan combatants.

Twenty years after his first cycle race, Bell figured he had had enough of the ups and spills. But he found himself practically married to the sport and could not leave altogether.

Whenever possible, he stayed around the tracks, helping out with a lot of the work that one does in working his way to the official position.

Finally, there was a vacancy last month. Robert B. Rudy, a full-fledged official, appointed Bell to fill the spot.

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WORKING with Bell, Sunday, Rudy asserted that race was not a factor in his appointing Bell. "He (Bell) was the best qualified man when he had a vacancy."

An AMA cycle racer finds himself in divisions, according to his skill, the same as judo artists.

A racer with a green tag is a novice; the amateurs identify themselves with yellow tags. Jockeys who have served well in these two divisions can then become experts, known by their white tags.

Though racing in all divisions is both dangerous and thrilling, the biggest thrills come from the white tag set. Bonnie Hall, an Ohio farm boy and winner in many "Big Races", is a white-tagger.

(A "Big Race" is something like a "500" in stock car competition.)

Instead of slowing down on turns, which seems like the sensible thing to do, Rail prefers riding the guard rails at full speed and turning almost on his side.

In one of the heats, he slipped from third to first in the first lap and was never headed. But in the expert final, he ran into a tumbling cycle and took a spin. He was all right, but his Harley-Davidson was too damaged to allow the daredevil to continue.

Because there are very few colored cyclists, the few who do try are cheered at Vista. The only tan contestant, Sunday, was Buddy Williamson.

Williamson, on a Triumph, barely missed qualifying when his cycle lacked power.

VISTA IS owned and operated by the Land and Sea Sportsmen's Club. Besides Tonkins, the president, other officers are Joseph L. Edwards, vice-president; W. G. Tendall, business manager; John G. Moses, treasurer; and J. J. Farr, secretary.

EXPERT FINAL 5 MILE
Gary Nixon, Baltimore, Triumph, 4:28.5; Wayne Cook, Richmond, Harley-Davidson; Tommy Heil, Dayton, H-D

AMATEUR FINAL, 5-MILE
Lonnie Waldo, Columbus, O., H-D 4:30.8; Mike Meyer, Reisterstown, Triumph; Mark Heinemann, Daytona Beach, H-D

NOVICE FINAL, 5 MILE
William Cameron, Wheaton, Bultaco, 4:46.4; Robin Browne, Leesburg, Va., Yamaha; Riemoxo Larbrand, Arlington, Triumph.

AMATEUR HANDICAP
Eddie Adkins, Winchester, Va., H-D, 2:48.2; Mike Meyer, Mark Heinemann.

South Baltimore Notes

By WALTER W. E. HILL Sr.

It is with regret that our Street Club Worker, Cliff Richardson, of the Bureau of Recreation, has left to take another position.

During his stay with us he was a part of all of the community activities, attending church meetings, civic meetings and helping to plan worthwhile activity for the youth.

A reminder on Thursday, July 8, there will be a banquet honoring Holsey Newby, Edward D. Hunt and Henry

The meeting of the Southwestern District Police Community Relations Council which met on the past Wednesday made use of all its Mt. Winans representatives. The Rev. Stewart Turner led the prayer, yours truly presented the proposal of the visible results committee project No. 1: Darrell Greene started the discussions with examples of how to approach your friends of their wrong doings. The meeting was adjourned with the Rev. Herbert Moore.

Congratulations are in order for Robert Murdock, chair-

District tennis player denied permission to play in Va. tournament

Richmond's prestigious Hermitage Country Club was the scene Monday of a mass withdrawal of young tennis players from the Washington and Baltimore areas who were angered

tournament director, Pete Franklin, to wait for a few minutes while he registered other players.

Rogers' application had already been sent in to the club along with his registra-

and their parents over the insult.

The mitlister has already filed a complaint with the United States Lawn Tennis Association asking that it

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Witness admits he drove car

ATHENS, Ga. (UPI)—A written statement allegedly made by Ku Klux Klansman James S. Lackey, admitting that he drove the car from which DC educator Lemuel Penn was killed and naming two other Klansmen as the actual slayers, was admitted in evidence at Lackey's trial Thursday.

The statement said that Joseph Howard Sims and Cecil Myers each fired one shotgun blast from the car into another car driven by Penn on the night of July 11, 1964.

"I had no idea that they would shoot the Negro," the Lackey statement said. "I was very surprised when two shots were fired."

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THE STATEMENT, eight pages long and written in longhand, was admitted by federal Judge William A. Bootle to the trial of Lackey and Klansmen Hebert Guest and Denver Phillips on charges of conspiring to violate the civil rights of Penn and others.

Sims, Myers, and another Klansman, George Turner, were tried on similar charges last week and a sealed verdict was returned. Lackey's statement was not used in their trial.

With the jury absent from the room, Lackey testified that he made the statement because the FBI offered him $3,000. An FBI agent denied that any such offer was made and Bootle ruled the statement could be admitted. The jury returned, and the statement was read into the record by FBI agent Clarence Brom.

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IN THE statement, Lackey told how he, Sims, and Myers were cruising about Athens in the early morning hours of July 11, 1964 when they saw a car carrying Washington, D.C. license plates.

He said he followed the car at Sims' urging and quoted Sims as saying, "I'm going to kill me a N——." He said after leaving town he pulled even with Penn's car and Sims and Myers fired.

He said they returned to Athens to a service station run by Guest and cleaned their guns while Guest was present.

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IN HIS testimony on whether the state should be admitted, Lackey was not asked about the substance of the statement or whether it was truthful, but only about that circumstances under which it was made.

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THE 30-year-old Lackey, wearing a checked shirt, testified that he was picked up by FBI agents on July 29, 1964, some 18 days after the Penn slaying, and questioned by them at the Athens post office. He said one of the agents told him that the government sometimes paid as much as $3,000 for information "in cases like this,"

The klansman said he made only $60-65 per week working in a service station at the time and that the offer of money "got to preying on my mind." He said he realized if he could get $3,000 "I would be a pretty well off man," and, after thinking it over for a while, decided to give the agents the information they wanted.

Agent Simpson said the sum $3,000 was mentioned by agents "in general conversation," with Lackey, but denied that it was offered to him or mentioned with the purpose of inducing him to give information.

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DEFENSE COUNSEL Robert Thompson asked Simpson whether the FBI man had used "a buddy-buddy" approach in talking to Lackey, offered him money, and failed to advise him of his constitutional rights.

Simpson insisted that the agents were always "gentlemen and business-like" in talking with Lackey on five or six occasions and that he always was advised of his right to a lawyer.

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API completes readership survey for tan newspapers

RICHMOND — The first national study dealing with readership of colored-oriented newspapers in the U.S.A. was released recently by Amalgamated Publishers, Inc., national advertising representatives for the colored press.

The study, which was conducted by the Data Division of Standard Rate Data Service, Inc., measures media audiences and product usage and their inter-relationships.

John H. Sengstacke, president of Amalgamated Publishers, said this is the first time such information has been made available and the study should go a long way in helping advertisers to understand more fully the role of colored-oriented newspapers, who reads them and why, and what these readers buy and how they spend their money.

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THE STUDY shows that 28 percent of the entire colored market — or 3,828,000 adults above the age of 12 years —are regular readers of colored-oriented newspapers: 61 percent of them are women.

It also shows higher incomes among these readers, with a total buying potential of $8.6 billion dollars, and the newspapers are reaching nearly half of all colored families earning $10,000 and over and 40 percent earning over $8,000.

Product usage is compared —between white and colored individuals and also between readers of colored-oriented newspapers and non-readers, and shows some important differences in a variety of product categories.

For example: Colored people buy 94 percent more laxatives than whites; 44 percent more lipstick; 11 percent more soft drinks; 9 percent more bacon; 6 percent more cigarettes; 4 percent more deodorants.

Usage by readers of colored-oriented newspapers as compared to non-readers shows: 75 percent more readers travel by air than non-readers; 46 percent more use hair coloring; 45 percent more drink ale or beer; 35 percent more use soap for fine fabrics; 33 percent more use facial cream; 31 percent more use allergy and cold tablets; 14 percent more use chewing gum; 14 percent more use aluminum foil; 13 percent more use margarine; 11 percent more use regular coffee.

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MR. SENGSTACKE said further that this new study also reaffirms the continuing need for, and the important role of the colored newspaper medium as a major source of positive news about the colored people's accomplishments and the contributions to the American way of life.

Amalgamated Publishers, Inc. was formed in 1961. The firm offers advertisers one central source for reaching the colored market through a national network of 67 colored-oriented newspapers.

Advertising may be placed in any or all of the local markets throughout the country with one order. API has offices in New York City and Chicago.

Copies of the study are available by writing to Arthur T. Ralph, Eastern Sales Manager, NYC, or to George Mouchett, Western Sales Manager in Chicago.

Ex-governor's political act annoys rights leader

PETERSBURG, Va. (UPI) — Dr. Milton T. Reid said Thursday, colored people and whites in Virginia will be voting in the Tuesday primary "for the senatorial candidates and congressmen who speak the language of the new South."

Reid, director of the Southern Christian Leadership Council in Virginia and also a vice president of a colored political front, the Independent Voters League, said he was irked that former Gov Abertis S. Harrison had injected race into the primary campaign.

Reid said Harrison's statement of support for Sen. A. Willis Robertson was an apparent attempt to "frighten apathetic white voters to the polls on July 12 to maintain an ungodly and forsaken political adjunct in Virginia."

Harrison said militant colored people and labor leaders were attempting to persuade some voters away from the Robertson camp to the side of challenger William B. Spong of Portsmouth.

But Reid said Harrison did not represent most colored voters. "He never has, and never will."

Lillian Smith leaves CORE

CLAYTON, Ga. (UPI)—Lillian Smith, 68-year-old author of "Strange Fruit" and other novels, has broken off a 20-year association with the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) because she says she opposes the integration group's turn away from non-violence.

"I DO NOT BELIEVE in the use of violence however great the temptation," Miss Smith said Tuesday, in a wire to CORE Director Floyd McKissick in which she resigned from CORE's advisory Committee—a post she has held for the past nine years.

"I strongly protest the dangerous and unwise position CORE has taken on the use of violence in effecting racial change," wired Miss Smith. "I am therefore resigning from your Advisory committee."

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CORE, IN a meeting in Baltimore, Md., this past weekend, voted to make non-violence the rule whenever possible, but not when it prevented self defense.

Miss Smith charged that "haters" have taken over

TELEVISION

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Friday
Washington at New York, baseball
British open, golf tournament

Saturday
Los Angeles at Baltimore, baseball
Washington at New York, baseball
Cincinnati at San Francisco, baseball
Gold Cup, boat race
Sheepshead Bay Hdcp, horse race
All - America football game
"Firecracker 400" auto race

Sunday
Washington at New York, baseball

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Durham school system told to desegregate

RICHMOND, Va. (UPI) — The 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals Tuesday ordered the Durham, N.C., School System to desegregate its faculties.

The court ruled school officials must integrate faculties as part of their Freedom of Choice Pupil Placement Plan.

The action reversed a lower court ruling denying an order to colored plaintiffs concerning the assignment and employment of faculty members without regard to race.

The Court said the effect of the Durham Board's policy has been a complete racial segregation in teaching staffs."

THE LOWER COURT had said the plaintiffs had "totally failed to prove their allegation that there is any substantial relationship between the employment and assignment of teachers on the basis of race and the freedom of choice plan."

The Richmond-based court ruled the Durham Board must fill vacant faculty positions by hiring "the best qualified applicants regardless of race."

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