Basie, Vaughn — Winning Combination

by Bob Matthews

Every now and again, Baltimore is visited by royalty — and it will happen again on Sunday, January 16, when William (Count) Basie brings his entourage in for a concert at the Meyerhoff Symphony Hall.

Of course, there are not many counts who were born in Red Bank, NJ, but then, neither were there many dukes or earls born in this country — but they all existed in the world of jazz.

And that's what Basie is all about. The Baltimore engagement marks the beginning of a nation-wide tour, following his vacation at his island retreat home. What is not generally known, is that originally, there was to be a package putting together Basie with Tony Bennett.

Entrepreneurs tried to put all the pieces together for this, but it didn't work. So, Carnegie Concepts stepped into the breach and came out with the January 16 date for the big, bad, booting band of Bill Basie.

To sweeten the pot, two singers were added: Sarah Vaughn, making one of her rare appearances in this area, and blues singer, Joe Williams, who appeared in Baltimore last summer during the Pier 6 Harborfest.

Basie and Joe Williams don't get together that much anymore, although Joe was a stalwart in the Basie organization from 1954-1960. There have been many recordings of Joe and Count with probably the best known, their rendition of "Every Day".

As for Sarah, she too has recorded with the Basie band on many occasions, and even did an album entitled "No Count Sarah", which was simply a recording of Sarah Vaughn with the Basie band. But...Basie wasn't on the date — just his band.

Interestingly enough, Sarah is also from New Jersey, born in Newark. Her early beginnings in jazz found her singing with the Earl Hines and Billy Eckstine bands.

So, the match-up for the Baltimore concert looms as one of THE musical events of the year. There was some trepidation voiced as to the state of Count's health, and whether or not he would be able to keep the date. When checking into the possibilities, it was discovered that during his many years in the band business, Bill Basie has missed only three engagements in his entire career.

His health has forced him to curtail his work, since now he works a two-weeks on, two-weeks off schedule. Incidentally, the idea for this date came when the creators of Carnegie Concepts, who are producing the show, attended the 75th birthday bash for Basie at Carnegie Hall last year.

That program included Sarah, Joe, George Benson and Tony Bennett. It was such a classy outing that it was felt Baltimore needed something like it. Thus Carnegie Concepts was born.

During this series they wil be bringing in Johnny Mathis, and later Dionne Warwick. All of the concerts will be held in the 2,455-seat Meyerhoff Auditorium.

The only pity is that there is no dancing at the auditorium, for the Basie band is one which plays for dancing. In fact, we defy anyone to listen to a Basie concert without feeling the urge to move.

The Meyerhoff will never be the same, and those who have never heard the Basie organization would do well to try to make it. It's not completely sold out yet — but by tomorrow — may be.

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"BLITHE Spirit"

WOOLY MAMMOTH THEATRE COMPANY
13TH and G Sts., NW, 543-6211
"Was He Anyone?"

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A complete TV program guide for Baltimore/Washington
Friday-Thursday, January 14-20, 1983
WEEKDAY DAYTIME REGULARS

DAYTIME

MORNING

—6:15—
(11) THE HONEYMOONERS (MON)
(HBO) THE YEAR THAT WAS: 1982 (TUE)
—5:30—
(HBO) VIDEO JUKEBOX (THU)
—5:45—
(11) FILL FILM (MON)
—5:50—
(13) NEWS
—5:55—
(20) JIM BAKKER
—6:00—
(2) NEWS
(4) FRED THOMAS IN THE MORNING
(5) PANORAMA
(7) ABC NEWS THIS MORNING
(9) CBS EARLY MORNING NEWS
(11) LEARNING TO READ (MON, WED, FRI)
(11) LEARNING TO DO (TUE, THU)
(11) MORNING STRETCH
(11) NEW ZOO REVUE
(HBO) MAKING LOVE BETTER (FRI)
(HBO) THE BIG CATS (WED)
(HBO) MOVIE (THU)
—6:30—
(2) (4) EARLY TODAY
(9) (11) NEWS
(11) CBS EARLY MORNING NEWS
(13) JIMMY SWAGGART
(HBO) ALL SUMMER IN A DAY (FRI)
(HBO) MOVIE (MON, TUE)
—6:45—
(9) A.M. WEATHER
—7:00—
(2) (4) TODAY
(5) NEW ZOO REVUE
(7) (11) GOOD MORNING AMERICA
(9) (11) MORNING NEWS
(20) BUGS BUNNY AND FRIENDS
(11) THREE STOOGES
(13) PERSONAL FINANCE (FRI)
(13) OF EARTH AND MAN (MON)
(13) INTRODUCTION TO MATHEMATICS (TUE)
(13) CONTEMPORARY HEALTH ISSUES (WED)
(13) FOCUS ON SOCIETY (THU)
(HBO) INSIDE THE NFL (FRI)
(HBO) CLOWN WHITE (WED)
—7:30—
(5) GREAT SPACE COASTER
(20) WOODY WOODPECKER
(11) LITTLE RASCALS
(13) SESAME STREET
(HBO) MISSING PERSONS: DEAD OR ALIVE? (THU)
—8:00—
(5) BUGS BUNNY AND FRIENDS
(20) MIGHTY MOUSE
(20) LILIAS, YOGA AND YOU
(11) THE FLINTSTONES
(HBO) MOVIE (MON, TUE, FRI)
(HBO) FRAGGLE ROCK (WED)
—8:30—
(5) THE FLINTSTONES
(20) CASPER
(20) MACNEIL / LEHRER REPORT
(11) GILLIGAN'S ISLAND
(11) MISTER ROGERS (R)
(HBO) VIDEO JUKEBOX (WED)
(HBO) MOVIE (THU)
—9:00—
(2) (9) DONAHUE
(4) TIC TAC DOUGH
(5) I LOVE LUCY
(7) RICHARD SIMMONS
(11) YOU ASKED FOR IT
(11) PEOPLE ARE TALKING
(20) W.O.W.!
(20) SESAME STREET
(20) UP AND COMING
(11) DENNIS THE MENACE (MON, TUE, THU, FRI)
(11) TOO YOUNG TO DIE (WED)
(13) EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING
(HBO) AIR SUPPLY IN HAWAII (WED)
—9:30—
(4) JUST MEN
(5) MY THREE SONS
(7) GOOD MORNING WASHINGTON
(11) SO YOU THINK YOU GOT TROUBLES
(20) ROMPER ROOM
(20) DICK CAVETT
(11) LUCY SHOW (MON, TUE, THU, FRI)
(HBO) VIDEO JUKEBOX (MON)
—10:00—
(2) (4) THE FACTS OF LIFE (R)
(5) LEAVE IT TO BEAVER
(7) FAMILY FEUD
(9) MORNING BREAK
(11) THE NEW $25,000 PYRAMID
(11) HOUR MAGAZINE
(20) (13) 700 CLUB
(20) SESAME STREET
(13) PROGRAM PREFERENCE PRIMARY (FRI)
(13) UNTAMED WORLD (MON-THU)
(HBO) MOVIE
—10:30—
(2) LAVERNE & SHIRLEY & COMPANY
(4) SALE OF THE CENTURY
(5) ANDY GRIFFITH
(7) EDGE OF NIGHT
(11) CHILD'S PLAY
(13) ELECTRIC COMPANY (R) (MON-THU)
—11:00—
(2) (4) WHEEL OF FORTUNE
(5) TOM COTTLE: UP CLOSE
(7) (11) LOVE BOAT (R)
(9) (11) THE PRICE IS RIGHT
(20) (13) MISTER ROGERS (R)
—11:30—
(2) JOKER'S WILD
(4) HIT MAN
(5) NEWS
(20) INDEPENDENT NETWORK NEWS
(20) WHY IN THE WORLD (WED, FRI)
(20) ELECTRIC COMPANY (R) (MON, TUE, THU)
(13) POWERHOUSE
(13) SOAP WORLD
(HBO) THE YEAR THAT WAS: 1982 (MON)

AFTERNOON

—12:00—
(2) (7) (9) (11) NEWS
(4) JUST MEN (FRI)
(4) SO YOU THINK YOU GOT TROUBLES (MON-THU)
(5) PANORAMA
(20) MOVIE
(13) MACNEIL / LEHRER REPORT
(13) BIG VALLEY
(13) EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING
(HBO) MOVIE (WED, FRI)
(HBO) MISSING PERSONS: DEAD OR ALIVE? (TUE)
(HBO) THE YEAR THAT WAS: 1982 (THU)
—12:30—
(2) (4) SEARCH FOR TOMORROW
(7) (11) RYAN'S HOPE
(9) (11) THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS
(20) DICK CAVETT
(11) EVENING EXCHANGE
(HBO) MOVIE (MON)
—1:00—
(2) (4) DAYS OF OUR LIVES
(5) (13) MOVIE
(7) (11) ALL MY CHILDREN
(20) GREAT PERFORMANCES (FRI)
(20) IN THE SHADOW OF THE MOUNTAINS (MON)
(20) MYSTERY! (TUE)
(20) FIRING LINE (WED)
(20) KENNEDY CENTER TONIGHT (THU)
(20) OVER EASY
(HBO) MOVIE (TUE, THU)
—1:30—
(9) (11) AS THE WORLD TURNS
(20) IAN MCKELLAN ACTING SHAKESPEARE (MON)
(11) CELEBRITY REVUE (FRI)
(11) ANOTHER LIFE (MON-THU)
—2:00—
(2) (4) ANOTHER WORLD
(7) (11) ONE LIFE TO LIVE
(20) NEWSPROBE
(20) MASTERPIECE THEATRE (TUE)
(20) NOVA (WED)
(20) LIFE ON EARTH (THU)
(20) ODYSSEY (FRI)
(20) ERIC SEVAREID'S CHRONICLES (MON)
(20) FIRING LINE (TUE, WED)
(20) NOVA (THU)
(HBO) MOVIE (WED)
—2:30—
(5) INSIGHT (FRI)
(9) (11) CAPITOL
(20) KID'S BREAK
(HBO) MAKING LOVE BETTER (FRI)
(HBO) AIR SUPPLY IN HAWAII (MON)
(HBO) MOVIE (THU)
—3:00—
(2) (4) FANTASY
(5) POPEYE AND FRIENDS
(7) (11) GENERAL HOSPITAL
(9) (11) GUIDING LIGHT
(20) MIGHTY MOUSE
(20) ALL ABOUT TV (FRI)
(20) LAP QUILTING (MON)
(20) OPEN MIND (TUE)
(20) VICTORY GARDEN (WED)
(20) ENTERPRISE (THU)
(20) VEGETABLE SOUP (FRI)
(13) POWERHOUSE (MON-THU)
(13) LEAVE IT TO BEAVER
(HBO) MOVIE (TUE, FRI)
—3:30—
(5) (13) THE FLINTSTONES
(20) THE MUPPETS
(20) WHY IN THE WORLD (WED, FRI)
(20) WORDSHOP (MON)
(20) COVER TO COVER (TUE)
(20) ARE YOU LISTENING? (THU)
(13) VILLA ALEGRE
(HBO) MOVIE (MON)
—3:45—
(20) WORDSHOP (MON)
(20) COVER TO COVER (TUE)
—4:00—
(2) LITTLE HOUSE ON THE PRAIRIE
(4) CHARLIE'S ANGELS
(5) HAPPY DAYS AGAIN
(7) MOVIE (MON, TUE, THU, FRI)
(7) TO BE ANNOUNCED (WED)
(9) HOUR MAGAZINE
(11) SANFORD AND SON
(11) EDGE OF NIGHT
(20) WOODY WOODPECKER
(20) (13) SESAME STREET
(20) UP AND COMING
(13) SUPERFRIENDS
(HBO) AIR SUPPLY IN HAWAII (WED)
(HBO) MISSING PERSONS: DEAD OR ALIVE? (THU)
—4:30—
(5) WELCOME BACK, KOTTER
(7) (11) AFTERSCHOOL SPECIAL (WED)
(11) THE JEFFERSONS
(11) CHARLIE'S ANGELS (MON, TUE, THU, FRI)
(20) (13) SCOOBY DOO
(13) UNTAMED WORLD
—5:00—
(2) ALICE
(4) PEOPLE'S COURT
(5) MORK AND MINDY
(9) NEWS
(11) M*A*S*H
(20) BUGS BUNNY AND FRIENDS
(20) (13) (9) MISTER ROGERS (R)
(11) GILLIGAN'S ISLAND
(HBO) CLOWN WHITE (FRI)
(HBO) MOVIE (MON, TUE, THU)
(HBO) FRAGGLE ROCK (WED)
—5:30—
(2) (4) (7) (11) NEWS
(5) CAROL BURNETT AND FRIENDS
(11) THREE'S COMPANY
(20) GOOD TIMES
(20) (13) ELECTRIC COMPANY (R)
(13) ELECTRIC COMPANY (R) (FRI)
(13) DOCTOR WHO (MON-THU)
(13) GOMER PYLE
(HBO) CLOWN WHITE (WED)

FRIDAY

JANUARY 14, 1983

DAYTIME SPECIALS

—6:00—
(HBO) MAKING LOVE BETTER Sex therapists, man-in-the-street interviews and entertaining animation are presented to compare questions and answers about human sexuality.
—6:30—
(HBO) ALL SUMMER IN A DAY A group of children live on a planet where the sun shines every seven years for only two hours.
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—5:00—
(HBO) CLOWN WHITE Jason, a 9-year-old boy, finds his perfect teacher.

DAYTIME CHILDREN'S SHOWS

—6:30—
(HBO) ALL SUMMER IN A DAY A group of children live on a planet where the sun shines every seven years for only two hours.
—11:30—
(11) POWERHOUSE "Something Ventured" Bobby's impulsiveness gets him involved with jewel thieves. (R)
—12:00—
(20) POWERHOUSE "One Of The Gang" Mike, an independent boy with a handicap, prevents a criminal from stealing diamonds hidden in the basement. (R)
—5:00—
(HBO) CLOWN WHITE Jason, a 9-year-old boy, finds his perfect teacher.

DAYTIME SPORTS

—7:00—
(HBO) INSIDE THE NFL Hosts Len Dawson and Nick Buoniconti review highlights of the previous week's NFL games and interview key players and coaches.

DAYTIME MOVIES

—8:00—
(HBO) "Gallipoli" (1981) Mel Gibson, Mark Lee. Two Australian foot racers with contrastingly different personalities sign up to fight in the Middle Eastern theatre during World War II. 'PG'
—10:00—
(HBO) "The Magic Of Lassie" (1978) James Stewart, Mickey Rooney. The beloved collie helps to reaffirm a young boy's faith in humanity when she prevents several crises from occurring in a peaceful valley area. 'G'
—12:00—
(20) "The Easy Way" (1952) Cary Grant, Betsy Drake. Loving parents of three open their home to several foster children.
(HBO) "Superman II" (1980) Christopher Reeve, Margot Kidder. While saving Paris from a nuclear explosion, Superman unwittingly frees the trio of powerful villains who were originally imprisoned by his Kryptonian father. 'PG'
—1:00—
(5) "Challenge To Lassie" (1949) Edmund Gwenn, Geraldine Brooks. Lassie finds her ownership to be a matter of question and dispute.
(13) "Touch Of Evil" (1958) Charlton Heston, Orson Welles. A Mexican police inspector and his American bride become the victims of a smalltime gangster and a shady sheriff during a murder investigation on the border.
—3:00—
(HBO) "Gallipoli" (1981) Mel Gibson, Mark Lee. Two Australian foot racers with contrastingly different personalities sign up to fight in the Middle Eastern theatre during World War II. 'PG'
—4:00—
(7) "ESPY" (1980) Japanese cast. A clairvoyant uses his skills in an attempt to stop a terrorist plot to assassinate a world leader.

EVENING

—6:00—
(2) (4) (7) (9) (11) (13) NEWS
(5) ONE DAY AT A TIME
(20) THE JEFFERSONS
(20) (13) POWERHOUSE "Something Ventured" Bobby's impulsiveness gets him involved with jewel thieves. (R)
(7) CISCO KID
(11) GET SMART
(HBO) ALL SUMMER IN A DAY A group of children live on a planet where the sun shines every seven years for only two hours.
—6:30—
(2) NBC NEWS
(5) ALICE
(11) CBS NEWS
(20) THE JEFFERSONS
(20) (13) BUSINESS REPORT
(11) OVER EASY
(11) HOGAN'S HEROES
(HBO) FRAGGLE ROCK
—7:00—
(2) ENTERTAINMENT TONIGHT
(4) NBC NEWS
(5) THREE'S COMPANY
(7) (11) ABC NEWS
(9) CBS NEWS
(11) FAMILY FEUD
(20) BARNEY MILLER
(20) OVER EASY
(13) MACNEIL / LEHRER REPORT
(11) SATURDAY NIGHT
(20) STATE CIRCLE
(HBO) INSIDE THE NFL Hosts Len Dawson and Nick Buoniconti review highlights of the previous week's NFL games and interview key players and coaches.
—7:30—
(2) TIC TAC DOUGH
(4) FAMILY FEUD
(5) M*A*S*H
(7) ENTERTAINMENT TONIGHT
(9) P.M. MAGAZINE
(11) PEOPLE'S COURT
(11) EVENING MAGAZINE
(20) SANFORD AND SON
(20) (13) MACNEIL / LEHRER REPORT
(11) EVENING EXCHANGE
—8:00—
(2) (4) THE POWERS OF MATTHEW STAR
(5) STAR TREK
(7) (11) BENSON
(9) (11) THE DUKES OF HAZZARD
(20) JOB FAIR WDCA joins four other stations in Cincinnati, Kansas City, Birmingham and Buffalo, to gather job pledges from prospective employers, and match unemployed viewers to various job openings.
(20) (13) (9) WASHINGTON WEEK IN REVIEW
(13) KOJAK
(HBO) MOVIE "Gallipoli" (1981) Mel Gibson, Mark Lee. Two Australian foot racers with contrastingly different personalities sign up to fight in the Middle Eastern theatre during World War II. 'PG'
—8:30—
(7) (11) THE NEW ODD COUPLE
(20) (13) (9) WALL STREET WEEK
—9:00—
(2) (4) KNIGHT RIDER
(5) MERV GRIFFIN
(7) (11) MOVIE "The Island" (1980) Michael Caine, David Warner. While investigating a rash of ship disappearances in the Bermuda Triangle, a journalist stumbles across an isolated, 400-year-old colony of pirates. (Parental discretion is advised)
(9) (11) DALLAS
(20) BODY IN QUESTION
(13) NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SPECIAL "Rain Forest" An exploration of the rich variety of plant and animal life in the rain forests of Costa Rica is presented.
(13) MOVIE "Guns Of The Magnificent Seven" (1969) George Kennedy, James Whitmore. Seven professional gunmen join forces to free a revolutionary leader from a Mexican jail.
(20) ENTERPRISE
—9:30—
(20) WORLD WAR I
—10:00—
(2) (4) REMINGTON STEELE
(5) NEWS
(9) (11) FALCON CREST
(20) THE ROCKFORD FILES
(20) METRO WEEK IN REVIEW