

Suitcase Stuff

By "Skink" Browning

Ethel Mona Lisa Denton, the beautiful and luscious beauty of High Point came to town during the holidays wearing an "out-of-this-world" expensive certified pelt mink coat, which she claims was a surprise Christmas gift from a well-known New York "sugar daddy" who specializes in attracting the attention of beautiful young southern female adventurers whose jaunt to New York is to capture the best money men that the big town has to offer and live the high and fast life that the "downhome, country town" could not afford.

After two days of promoting and publicizing her successful accomplishments and contract in the "big city" two "feds," on an unannounced visit, allegedly took her, bag and baggage, back to New York to answer charges of accepting stolen goods from a noted Harlem thief whom she was living with as a "common law wife."

The Jackson High School faculty in Camden, S. C. is loaded with athletic greats and well-known social and civic figures whose names were once household words in North Carolina high school and college circles. . . . JOHNNIE MARTIN, my "old lady" in high school days at Albion Academy, and once the kingpin of South Carolina high school coaches, when his mother academy football and basketball teams ran roughshod over all comers and won championship after championship with the ease of a parish priest taking orders from the high powers of the Vatican Palace in Rome. . . .

He moved up to Director of Athletics at Booker T. Washington High School, Columbia and proxy of the state athletic association, before returning to Camden's Jackson High School and his beautiful wife, the former June Singleton and his two lovely daughters, Martin is a J. C. Smith grad. . . . John Pickett, a transfer student from Lincoln (Pa.), to Shaw University and a whale of a football player, made all CIAA center during his college career at Shaw. . . . Bessie Pickett, John's sister, a Shaw grad, a beautiful person with a dominating personality. . . . Now a school mom, social, civic and business woman. . . . James E. Pope, a former Little Blues' football star, a master on musical instruments and now director of the Jackson High School band. Pope is a Raleigh boy and is a Shaw U. grad. "Boogy" Chippie of Raleigh, is practicing dentistry in Greenville, S. C.

Thomas Mdadana Ringer succeeded Prof. W. J. McLean as principal of Central High School in Nashville, N. C.

A few years ago Negroes in naming their high schools preyed on the name of Booker T. Washington. . . . Now, the trend is to use the name "Central." . . . There are at least 14 high schools in North Carolina dubbed Central. In one incident, the superintendent left it up to the principal, faculty and parents to name the new schools. At the parent-teachers meetings at least three names were submitted—none bearing the usual names of Dunbar, Lincoln, Washington or Douglas. . . . The group hem-hawed and disagreed until the close of the school term.

In the fall the superintendent supplied the name. Everybody accepted with satisfaction. Finding a name for the school was too big a problem for the intelligent group. . . . How the superintendent felt about the situation has never been expressed.

A FEM THRLESOME PITCHED A NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY
The Misses De Juanna Browning, Marguerite Mann and Mrs. Jazel Dickens hosted their friends at a gala and luscious New Year's Eve symposium that closed the old year out with a bang and opened the New Year with plans and programs for the younger social-set during the mid-winter social calendar season. . . . The "symposium" was held at the home of Miss Browning in Washington Terrace.

Guests present to celebrate the "end and beginning" were: Nury A. Turner, Ann Amelle Hunt, Edevina Battle, Geraldine Oats, Jenie Ridley, Swazine Harris, Zenobia Browning, Daisy and Lennon Williams, Gloria and Bobbie Butler, Henry Peace, III, Leo Oxley, Syvillie Cloud, Deryl Webster, Howell Jones, Moses Walker and James Cox.

Platters of fresh roasted chicken, Ponce de Leon styled chicken salad, assorted cheese, hor d'oeuvres, cheese pyza, olive (perminio) 112, pineapple "cheese" and "skiskabarba" were the solid foods for disposal. . . . Assorted drinks to accompany the solids were plentiful. At twelve sharp the sound of lifting the champagne top signaled the dying of the old year and the birth of the new.

ESQUERITA, Capital recording star, whose record "Oh Baby Don't Shake Like That", is on the top ten, is worried about his luscious lover who absconded a few weeks ago as the result of a misunderstanding. . . . Esquerita is now singing "Baby Won't You Please Come Home."

BETTY COLE, the dazzling vivacious songstress, whose recent hit tune "Without You What Can I Do", went out "balling" on an after-show spree and forgot to pay the cab driver in her hurried rush to her hotel room. . . . The driver followed the singer and pounded sounds to the high heavens on her locked room door. . . . She quickly opened the door, handed him a fifty-dollar bill and said "Go buy you a good cab fellow." The actual fare was eighty-five cents.

Bobby Hendricks, who is now working as a single since leaving the "Drifters", played the jitterbugs new song "Itchy Twichy Feeling". Hendricks is "all up in the air" over Mrs. Cora Clardy's daughter, Ruth, who feels "funny that way" about Bobby. Mama don't know the half of it, but is doing some thoughtful thinking.

Conetoe High And Elementary Installs Its PTA Officers

BY J. B. HARREN
H. H. Herring, vice president; J. L. Jones, treasurer; Mrs. Lottie Lee Staton, secretary; and Mrs. Ruth Glover, assistant secretary. The officers were installed by J. B. Harren of Rocky Mount, with principal E. R. Batts assisting. A representative of economically priced line of shell homes was present and spoke to the farmers, explaining how they could get started on owning a home with a paid-for lot and as little as \$5 down. The plan was hailed as a chance for tenants to begin owning a home, and finishing the interior later.

Howard Profs Want Congress To Settle Passport Mixup

WASHINGTON (ANP)—Attorneys James M. Nabrit, Jr., dean of Law School and Dorsey E. Lane, assistant professor of law at Howard university, this week expressed hope that Congress will enact legislation clarifying the State Department's authority to decide whether an American citizen has the right to a passport. This desire was expressed in a letter to Senator Thomas C. Hennings, Jr., chairman of the Senate subcommittee on constitutional rights. The letter, along with many others written by law school deans and professors of law at several universities, was included in a printed report called "The Right To Travel and United States Passport Policies," recently released by the subcommittee. STATE DEPARTMENT POSITION "UNCONSTITUTIONAL" The Howard professors contended that the position by the Department of State that the granting of passports is a privilege to be bestowed by the Department and not a right of an American citizen, is unconstitutional. "It is our belief," they said, "that the prevention of an American citizen from traveling abroad de-



T. V. STAR IN LONDON—Singer Ann Henry, who has just arrived in London to star in Granada's new weekly program, "On The Air" on independent television, is photographed at her London hotel. Ann, 25, was a dancer (she led her own all-male mod n dance group at 17) until illness robbed her of the use of her legs. She then switched to singing and became a top television and stage star in the United States. She is the only dancer for whom Duke Ellington ever especially composed music. (UPI TELEPHOTO).



CONETOE PTA OFFICERS—Officers of the Conetoe High PTA are shown following the installation services held recently at the school. Seated, (l-r) J. C. Jones, president; Mrs. Lottie Lee Staton, secretary; (rear) Rev. H. K. Herring, vice president; Mrs. Ruth Glover, asst. secretary; and J. L. Jones, treasurer. E. R. Batts (not shown) is principal of the Conetoe school. The school has drawn praise for its work in a strictly share-cropper community which experiences a large turnover among its patrons each year. (J. B. HARREN FOTO).

Integration Battles, Court Rulings, Said The Chief Highlights Of 1958

BY CHARLES J. LIVINGSTONE FOR ANP
Although the race for control of space in an age of Sputniks, missiles and hydrogen bombs were the chief pre-occupation of leaders contending world powers, in the United States, and in a sense in Africa and Asia, integration and the fight for interracial justice were the chief highlights of 1958. The 12-month period just concluded, was from a domestic standpoint, one of the most turbulent in the history of America. It was marked by a "Cold War" between liberals and segregationists which featured innumerable court battles, school closings, and racial bombings. Still, some gains were made, as liberals took the initiative for the first time since the U. S. Supreme Court ruling of 1954 outlawing segregation in education. IMPORTANT PERIOD IN U. S. HISTORY Because this period was one of the most important in our lives and in the history of the nation, ANP chronicles here a review of highlights both on the national and international scene. The American Association of University Professors accused Gov. George Bell Timmerman of South Carolina with interfering with freedom of education after he persuaded the State Board of Education to withdraw certification of Allen University, a school administered by the African Methodist Episcopal Church, as a teacher training institution. The move, which barred the school graduates from state teaching jobs, was designed to force the resignation of three professors, and was said to be also influenced by the enrollment at the Allen of Andre Yosh, a white Hungarian student. A new semi-independent nation, governed by Negroes came into being with the creation of the West Indian Federation with headquarters in Trinidad. Headed by Oxford-trained Granville Adams Barbados, the Federation governs a 10-island group, with jurisdiction over transportation, trade and air mail. It is a member of the British Commonwealth of nations. January also marked the inauguration of the Civil Rights Commission, the death of Archie A. Alexander, former governor of the Virgin Islands, and the jailing of John Kasper, rabble-rousing segrega-

Peace Or War?

PHILADELPHIA—When Air Force Lieutenant Charles T. "Chuck" Williams was sent on missions in Italy back in the middle forties, he usually wasn't out to make friends. Meeting with and disposing of enemies was his primary objective. Today, more than a decade later, Williams is on another mission. Before, he was covering the European Theater; today he is covering the country's markets for Melrose Distillers Co., sales affiliate of Schenley Industries, Inc., to "meet people and make friends" for such popular brands of whiskey as Melrose Golden Wedding, James E. Pepper and Long John Scotch. Whatever the mission, Williams has the knack of doing a topflight job. During World War II, for instance, Chuck won seven battle stars, the Air Medal and Purple Heart. Entering as a private in the 332nd Fighter Group at Tuskegee Air Base in 1943, he rose to the rank of First Lieutenant and returned to Tuskegee Air Base in Alabama in 1945 as flight instructor. Still a man with a mission, his performances with Schenley sales companies have been no less spectacular. A little more than a year after he joined the firm in 1951, he received the President's Cup Award for outstanding achievement. The capable sales representative has developed numerous sales and merchandising ideas for company brands. The "Ancient Age Roving Reporter" column, for example, appears in newspapers in many of the markets which he visits and the Old Charter Community Leader Contest, which annually offers a Leading Citizen award and full scholarship to a selected boy or girl, has been acclaimed as an outstanding community project. "Not only did the latter program help worthy youths of the Los Angeles Community win scholarships for college, it also made millions of people aware of some of the many fine works of 'unsung men and women,'" Chuck comments. Though the "Community Leader" program, they learned that poster-employee Horace Johnson, the first recipient, for instance, had helped 42 boys and girls secure college scholarships.

Rock candidates supported by Gov. Orval Faubus were roundly defeated in an election to fill vacancies on the city's embattled school board. Claude A. Barnett, director of the Associated Negro Press, and Alvin L. Tamm, returned from a month-long tour of Africa during which they reported to readers in America on economic and political developments among the Negro peoples of that continent. Among countries visited were recently liberated and soon to be liberated, such as Ghana, Guinea, Nigeria and the French Guineas.

AFRICAN BISHOP CONSECRATED BY POPE
In a solemn ceremony in St. Peter's Basilica, Pope John XXIII consecrated the Rev. Charles Msakila, native African, a bishop in the Roman Catholic Church, and thus raised to 25 the total number of Negro bishops in the 500,000,000-member worldwide denomination. Bishop Msakila was consecrated side by side with six white clergy members including the Vatican's Secretary of State, Domenico Tardini, and placed over the diocese of Karama in Tanganyika in East Africa.

At Durban
Sports - Sugar Ray Robinson blasted the National Boxing Association for issuing an ultimatum directing him to negotiate for a middle-weight title bout by Jan. 11 or risk having his title vacated by the NBA. Robinson termed the NBA edict unfair, and threatened to sue every member of the association. On a state visit to New Deal, N. India, Dr. Kwame Nkrumah, Prime Minister of Ghana, declared in an address before the African Students' Union, that Ghana, in cooperation with other African states, was determined to lead the way toward liberation of the whole African continent from colonial rule. Following a nine-year legal battle climaxed by a U. S. Supreme Court ruling against segregation, the City Park Association of New Orleans (L.A.) announced that Negroes would be admitted freely to all facilities of the park. Negro civil rights attorney A. P. Tureaud had filed suit against the city on behalf of a Negro golf club.


ALL-AFRICAN CONFERENCE AT ACCRA
Delegates of 23 African countries, meeting in the first All-African People's Conference at Accra, Ghana, adopted a four-point resolution

"Urban League Presents," Radio Program, Premieres January 8

NEW YORK CITY—(ANP)—"Urban League presents," a new radio series devoted to frank discussions of minority problems and racial discrimination in New York City, will be premiered Thursday, January 8, on WLIB at 5 p. m., and on WWRL at 10 p. m. The 15-minute weekly program will be sponsored by the Urban League of Greater New York and will be broadcast as a public service by WLIB and WWRL. It will be produced for the interracial social service agency by the Community Arts Group of New York University. Mayor Robert F. Wagner will introduce the first program, a discussion of "The High Cost of Discrimination." Panelists will be Dr. Frank S. Horne, executive director of the Commission on Intergroup Relations; Robert J. Mangum, deputy commissioner of hospitals; and Bernard Roswick, general council of the Urban League of Greater New York. In future weeks, the series will examine New York's housing problems, discrimination in employ-

Manhattan Anti-Bias Law Goes Into Effect

New York City's antidiscrimination law went into effect in April and the Civil Rights Commission in its first major action, set up advisory committees in 48 states. In religion, St. Cecilia's Roman Catholic mission church in Jesuit Board, was re-opened after more than two years. It had been closed by Archbishop Rummel of New Orleans because bigots refused to permit a Negro priest to celebrate Mass there. On the international front, the first Conference of Independent Africa States met in Accra, Ghana, and Princess Margaret of Britain officially opened the first parliament of the West Indies Federation. Prime Minister Nkrumah of Ghana in July, paid a state visit to America. He was royally received by President Eisenhower and cabinet members in Washington and at banquets in such cities as New York, Chicago, and Philadelphia. Returning home, the prime minister, Africa's "Man In Motion," thanked the American and Canadian peoples for the welcome he received in the two countries. In Montgomery, Ala., last October, approximately 150 persons in 25 cars welcomed Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., when he returned to the city after being stabbed by Mrs. Izola Curry while autographing his book in New York City. As the crowds vafted at the new \$7,000,000 Airport, expressions of "Thank God," could be heard throughout the waiting period. The plane was 45 minutes late. Forming the welcoming committee were the official staff of the Montgomery Improvement Association, representatives of the Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance of the Dexter Avenue Baptist and the Southern Christian Leadership Conference with headquarters in Atlanta, Ga. The U. S. Civil Rights Commission in December created a model Advisory Committee in Alaska by appointing to membership a Negro, an Eskimo, an Indian, and a Jew. With the creation of the Alaskan group, some 49 such committees



IF YOU OWN A CAR*

* or a truck, or a motorbike, etc.

Here are some things you need to know, important to you . . . to us.

To renew your license plate for 1959 you must have a renewal card. This is in the mail now, but it's sharing the mail with Christmas cards and gifts. So allow the postmen time to sort and deliver this card and then, if it is not received notify the Department of Motor Vehicles promptly, giving your present plate number, if possible, otherwise the make of the vehicle and identification number.

Also list your correct residence address.

Insurance must be in effect to obtain a plate, or you must otherwise comply with the Financial Responsibility Law. If you have filed proof of insurance and it continues in effect, another FS-1 Certificate of Insurance is not necessary.

The driver education fee of \$1.00 for each tag costing \$10 or more must be paid each year. If you order by mail don't overlook this extra dollar. Included with your renewal card is a leaflet containing instructions for obtaining 1958 license plates. Please read these instructions carefully.

The '59 plates may be obtained on and after January 2. They must be on the car by February 16. When the tags go on sale in your community, replace promptly. Don't wait until the last week.

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