



Above is shown the cast of the 2nd edition of THE BIGGEST RHYTHM and BLUES SHOW which will make a one night stop at the RALEIGH MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM on Labor Day September 6. The

date in Raleigh will be a SHOW and DANCE affair. Co-starred in this second edition of the RHYTHM and BLUES SHOW are Roy Hamilton, The Drifters, Faye Adams, The Counts, LaVern BAKER,

Rusty Bryant and his Orchestra, Lou Elliott, The Spaniels, Big Maybelle and Erskine Hawkins and his great Orchestra. For this big Labor Day date, box office at the auditorium will open at 8:15 PM with the doors

opening at 8:30. Dancing will get underway at 9 PM. One show and only one show will be presented at 10 PM lasting two and one half hours with dancing resuming after the show.

### N. C. College Professor Has Large Collection Of Negro Literature

One of the most complete private collections of books by and about Negroes is on the North Carolina College campus—the prized and "intimate" collection of Dr. W. Edward Farrison, chairman of the department of English.

For several reasons Dr. Farrison regards his Collection as "priceless". It contains at least one original edition nearly 150 years old, the complete works of several Negro authors, and a number of books autographed by their authors. Moreover, the Collection represents a hobby of more than thirty years' standing.

Combining scholarly research in the field with his hobby of collecting books, Dr. Farrison has published numerous articles about Negroes and Negro literature. "My interest in the poetry and prose written by American Negroes," he says, "is only one of my special interests and is a part of my general interest in literature. It is essentially the interest of the historian of literature, whose functions, I believe, is first to inform himself about what has been written, second, to evaluate it in the light of its purpose and merits, and third, to consider what are now commonly called its 'implications', whether social, moral, or otherwise."

"As to taking the writings of American Negroes as a subject for special study... the basic reason for doing that is the same as it is for taking any other phase of literature for special study. It is simply to provide for detailed consideration of what might be hurried

Death, of which only 100 copies were printed. They were hand printed for private distribution.

Among interesting books by white authors about Negroes are Harriet Beecher Stowe's Key to Uncle Tom's Cabin; John Pierpont's Anti-Slavery Poems, 1843; two copies of The Liberty Bell, published for the Boston Anti-Slavery Bazaar in 1842 and 1853; and Julia Griffith's Autographs for Freedom, 1853-54. (Julia Griffith was the Englishwoman associated with Frederick Douglas.)

The latest addition to the Farrison Collection is the first edition of Harriet Beecher Stowe's second novel—Dread; A Tale of the Great Dismal Swamp. Published in 1856, the novel is in two volumes.

Widely regarded as an authority in Negro literature, Dr. Farrison became interested in the subject while he was a student at Lincoln University (Pennsylvania) in the early twenties. He began collecting books at Lincoln. Over the years he has had personal contact with many of the authors whose books are in his Collection, including Langston Hughes, Waring Cuney, William Stanley Braithwaite, and Anna Bontemps. Dr. Farrison taught Cuney at Lincoln, where he was also a schoolmate of Langston Hughes.

According to Dr. Farrison, the costs of the items in his collection have ranged from fifty cents upwards. He regards as his best bargain a copy of the first edition of Josiah Henson's Truth Stranger Than Fiction (1858), which he obtained from a friend in Philadelphia at a "reasonable price" after

several other book dealers had quoted prices of \$60.00 and more.

Born the son of farm parents in 1902 in Orangeburg County, South Carolina, Dr. Farrison received his early training in the public schools of Orangeburg County and the city system of Orangeburg. He later attended the State Agricultural and Mechanical College at Orangeburg for high school and normal training, and from there went to Lincoln University in Pa. He was graduated magna cum laude from Lincoln in 1926, received his master's degree at the University of Pennsylvania in 1928, and received his Ph.D. degree at Ohio State University in 1936.

Dr. Farrison has written extensively about Negroes and Negro literature. Among his published works on the subject are: "Negro Scholarship", The Crisis, 1934; "The Phonology of the Illiterate Negro Dialect of Guilford County, North Carolina", The Ohio State University Press, 1937; "On Researches in Standard and Illiterate English", The Quarterly Review of Higher Education Among Negroes, 1941; Booker T. Washington: A Study in Educational Leadership", The South Atlantic Quarterly, July 1942; "The Negro Population of Guilford County, North Carolina, Before the Civil War", The North Carolina Historical Review, 44; "William Wells Brown, America's First Negro Man of Letters", Phylon, The Atlanta University Review of Race and Culture, First Quarter, 1948; William Wells Brown, Social Reformer", The Journal of Negro Education, vtrv; and "A Flight

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### THIS AND THAT IN DANVILLE

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Mrs. Katie Hall spent the day with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Stevens of Union Street recently.

Cary Hall of the U. S. Army is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Stevens of Union Street.

Mrs. Anna V. Chaney and Miss Mabel Brown of Bronx, N. Y., have returned home after visiting their nephew, Charles K. Coleman and father, Charles Brown of Doe Street. They were accorded many social courtesies by Mr. and Mrs. Louis Cobbs and Mrs. Cordelia Hardy. They visited relatives in Yanceyville and Reidsville, N. C. while on their annual vacation here.

The Sunbeam Circle of the Vann Street Baptist Church had a picnic party on Sunday, Aug. 25, from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Minnie Moorman. Present were Loretta Booth, Walter Brandon, Ann Stamps, Betty J. McLaughlin, Barbara Lynn, Jeanette Stamps, Barbara Stamps, Shirley Johnson, Curtis Nash, Jimmy Booth, Ezell Barksdale, Claude Scott, Dorothy Stamps, Larry Lea, Carolyn Lea, and Peggy Moorman. After their luncheon, the group played games under the direction of Solomon Peavy, leader of Almagre Playground. Assisting Mrs. Walter McLaughlin. Circle Leader, were Misses Gloria Johnson, Mattie Stamps, Elizabeth Scott and Jessie Ann Williams.

Danville Boxers Win in N. J. Both Danville boxers won their bouts in Asbury Park New Jersey on last Saturday night's card. Willie "Gooch" Wilson and Willie Smith both out-classed their opponents to win unanimous decisions. Several local citizens saw the televised bouts.

Miss Laverne Hankins of Union Street is visiting her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Edmonds of Washington.

Mrs. Willie Hutchinson of New Street is home from Winst-

low Hospital. Mrs. Willie Walker of Richmond and Danville motored to Natural Bridge, Va., on last Saturday.

Richardson Succeeds Byrd as Principal at Gibson School Curtis A. Richardson will succeed John H. Byrd Jr., as principal of Edwin A. Gibson Elementary School this fall. The announcement was made by Supt. O. T. Bonner last week. Richardson has been principal at Grasty for the past two years. The Gibson principalship was vacated recently when Byrd was named successor to C. D. Paige as principal of John M. Langston High School.

Drum and Bugle Corps The crack Drum and Bugle Corps of Walden France Post No. 29, American Legion, left for Washington to enter national competition over the weekend. They had an engagement at Father Divine's Church in Philadelphia before returning home on Wednesday. Led by J. H. Fuller and Charles Brooks, the following members made the trip: Marjorettes Alease, Mary, and Millie Coleman, Jackie Miller, Lagatha Stone, Amelia Hankins, Doris

Price, Dorothy Burrell, Barbara Kernodle, Dorothy and Geraldine General; Captains Alberta Bradnax-Hatchett, leading solo buglist, and Harry Johnson; Lieutenants James Gunn, Alexander Hargraves, Loretta Anderson, Bobby Smith, Kenneth Edmonds, Mattie Banks, Curtis Stephens, Florence Stanfield, John Leftridge Jr., Sylvester Holland, Roosevelt James, Christopher Johnson, James Wilson, Richard Wilson, James Stroud, John McClary, Haywood Weatherford, James Skipwith, Anna McLaughlin, George Skipwith, Eunice Terry, Wilbur Moore, James Sydney, Henry Davis, Lucious Mulley, William Hollo-

way, Wm. Poindexter, Berkley Harrison, James Pinchback, Bobby Crawley, and Katy Moore.

Cpl. Henry Apple Jr., of Warren Street has been discharged from the army after two years of service. He is now home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Apple Sr.

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