

# New York Showfronts

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## "Tops" At Paramount



The celebrated **INK SPOTS**, featuring **Edna Foyt**, are currently appearing at the Paramount Theatre in New York where crowds are flocking to see this outstanding production. The picture stars **Paul Muni**, who gives probably his finest performance as **Prof. Joseph Elmer**, teacher of the genius **Frederic Chopin**, and **Merle Oberon**, who reaches new dramatic heights portraying **French novelist**, the celebrated **Chopin**.

## Louis Armstrong Trills 200 Kiddies At Celebration

NEW YORK (IPS) — Washington's Birthday was observed as a special occasion at the 200th Anniversary of the Riverdale Children's Association, Riverdale, New York, with the presentation of U. S. Treasury War Stamps awards for good citizenship.

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## RUBEL BLAKELY — SEPIA SONGSTER

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## YOUNG NEGRO ACTOR SCORES IN REPUBLIC'S 'BIG BONANZA'



The talented young Negro actor, Cordell Hickman, best remembered for his excellent work in "The Biscuit Eater," is featured in Republic's rip-roaring melodrama, "The Big Bonanza," which stars Richard Arlen, shown here, Robert Livingston and Jane Frazee.

## Harold Baker Rated As One Of Best On Trumpet

CAMP LEE, Va. — Harold Baker, first trumpet player and member of the First Quartermaster Training Group here, was selected by Eddie Heywood, nationally known band leader, as his idea of America's most outstanding trumpet player.

## Lionel Hampton Swing Sensation

NEW YORK (TYP) — Lionel Hampton, the creator of the swing hit of the country "Flying Home," is breaking records at every engagement. He recently drew a crowd of 3,000 dance fans at the Renaissance Ballroom here in New York City. Now on tour of the Middle West, Hampton opens in Detroit at the Paradise Theatre on February 23. He returns to New York and prepares for his concert at Carnegie Hall in April.

## Billy Eckstein To Wax For One Of "Big Four" Disc Firms

NEW YORK — Singing maestro Billy Eckstein will soon start waxing for one of the "Big Four" disc firms under a contract that will give him the skyrocketing young Eckstein brand name of the biggest record buildups of all time.

## Wins Award

Mrs. Louise Morris, chairman of the Riverdale Club Division, who has always felt that the clubs have a great contribution to make since they are strategically able to reach thousands of citizens through their membership is taking a leading part in the life of Harlem. Mrs. Morris feels that the interest of the club should be expanded to include such worthwhile projects as bettering conditions for dependent and neglected children in the city of New York through the Riverdale Campaign.

## Young Bandleader and Band, Breaking Records

LOS ANGELES, Calif. — Billy Eckstein, who's currently breaking records at the New Plantation Club, is being set for several guest spots on the coast-to-coast Coca-Cola commercial, "Spotlight Band," from Army camps on his cross-country tour to New York during April and May.

## MEASURES FASTEST KNOWN ROTATION

An electronic measuring instrument that can record the speed of any mechanical motion known and which will do so with greater precision than any other similar device ever perfected has been developed by General Electric. The device is called the photoelectric tachometer.

## FLETCHER HENDERSON IN TOWN

NEW YORK (C) — Fletcher Henderson, bandleader brother of Duke Ellington's accompanist, comes into the Apollo Theatre this week with June Richmond on vocals. America's foremost arranger will share the bill with a revue including Three Sisters, Dewey Taylor and the Tim Moore Trio.

## Give To The Red Cross!

After the duration, Baker will make his home in Chicago where his wife, Myrtle and his daughter, Carolyn are now living.

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