

# Hillside First In Five Events

## HOME BOY'S REPORT FROM HARLEM

BY LIN HOLLOWAY

You can't see it, smell it, hear it or touch it, but you know it's there. It's there all the time. It's strange pulsing nature contacts you above the staccato of typewriters, in the monotonous one-two beat of a press you can feel it.

It's more in evidence in the night clubs and at the bars than the constant flow of intoxicants and the heavy veil of smoke. You know it's there. — You just feel it. It's with you when you're on the train — running away. It's with you when you travel three miles a minute 'way up above the clouds. It's with you on that lonely stretch of highway. Your car lights slit in just as though it wasn't there. — But it is.

Yet, you keep running, trying to get away. Changing scenes, doing new things. Meeting new people. It was with me ten years ago when I went into the CAROLINA TIMES office seeking a dance ticket and coming away with a job — a by-line. It was there in the Midwest, the Deep South, the North. Yet, I kept running away from it — dodging it. Knowing I couldn't win, but still giving it a play for all it was worth.

And it caught up with me — fair and square. It flooded me just as cleanly as Joe Louis floored Schemling, as brutally as Sugar Ray clipped Sugar Costner. I knew it had me when Doc sat there just playing with his pencil . . . doodling, fashioning recognizable out of a series of lines, circles, etc. He wouldn't say anything . . . he knew that I knew.

"So this is it," I asked. "Yep, son," he said, "this is it!" And so that WAS it. It has caught up with me, and it had won. I knew that I was through — yes, finished. Not forever, but just for a while.

"Get away, son," Doc said. "Get some rest. Just lay up and do nothing for a while, and then, you'll be all right."

"Yeah — I'll be all right, yeah!" And so that's the way it is. It's got me. Fatigue, over work, long hours, all of them together adding up to what I'd expected — that breakdown. Nervous? Yes. Moral? No!

Just a breakdown, that phenomenon that snatches at you when you've "got it made." That yanks you off the scene you've just begun to see the way clear. That shrieks at you. "Rest! You ain't Superman! Rest!"

And so it must be. Homebody heads for Dixie. Back to the same old beat, the familiar scenes, rest — and then — well, who knows? My heart knows what the wild goose knows. Maybe I'll go where the wild goose goes. Be that as it may. This is Homeboy's last report from Harlem—30.

## "Deeps" To Open At Famous Philly Nitespot

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Direct from a record-breaking engagement at the Tic-Toc Club in Montreal, the popular Deep River Boys have opened a stand at the 421 Club in the Quaker City for their first local appearance in almost three years.

The internationally famous singing group literally took Montreal by storm in their four week run at the Tic-Toc and set an all-time attendance record at the swank Dominion livery. But for their booking commitments in the United States, the group could have stayed on indefinitely at the Tic-Toc.

The "Deeps" are presently trying to cover as many key areas in the United States as possible before showing off on June 17 for a return tour of England, the British Isles and the European continent, which will extend throughout next December.

## Johnson To Open At The Paradise Theater In Mich.

DETROIT, MICH.

Buddy Johnson, whose latest southern tour solidly established his position as "King Of The One-Niter Circuit," brings his blockbusting band and vocalists Arthur Prysock and Ella Johnson to the stage of the Motor City's Paradise Theater for a week's engagement, starting Friday, April 14.

The Johnson band's Paradise booking marks the red hot aggregation's first appearance in the Motor City in more than a year. Buddy is currently riding high with three "best sellers" in his Decca discs of "I'm Tired Crying Over You," "Because" and "When Day Is Done."

The youthful "Walk 'Em Out" maestro will herald the opening of the 1950 major league baseball season with the playing of his own world famous composition, "Did You See Jackie Robinson Hit That Ball," which he hopes will spark the Dodgers to another pennant.

## Jacquet Claim He Is Composer Of New Hit Tune

NEW YORK

Bandleader Illinois Jacquet's claim that he is a rightful co-composer of the current song hit, "Doncha Go Away Mad," has been recognized by the publishers of the song with an amicable settlement of a dispute that had threatened for some time to end up in a lawsuit.

Jacquet had charged that Jimmy Mundy, with whom he penned "Black Velvet," collaborated with lyricist Al Stillman on "Doncha Go Away Mad," the melody of which is identical to that of "Black Velvet," without consulting Jacquet for permission to switch titles and add lyrics.

The famed saxophonist-bandleader has been granted an equal share of the royalties on "Doncha Go Away Mad" with co-writers Mundy and Stillman. Settlement was reached in a conference between Jacquet's attorney, Andrew J. Feinman, and Mack Goldman, general manager of Advanced Music Corp., publishers of "Doncha Go Away Mad."

## SOUTHERNAIRES' BROADCAST OFF ABC NETWORK

By David J. Bethea (ATLAS News Service)

NEW YORK The Southernaire's quartet, a regular Sunday morning feature over the American Broadcasting Company, has been canceled, and they went off the air April 16.

No reason was given for the cancellation, but reports have it that the ABC network has received an overflow of letters criticizing the firing of Ray Yeates on Jan 15. The only information from the program Department of ABC was to confirm what this reporter had learned a few weeks ago.

A spokesman for the Broadcasting Company said there were no plans at present to air the Quartet in the future.

Five hundred high school students gathered at the Harnett County Training School, Dunn for elimination contests in lieu of the annual state music festival which will be held this year in the Memorial Auditorium, Raleigh on Friday, April 28.

Events presented at the district contest included choruses for junior and senior high school students, glee clubs, small ensembles and solo events for voice and piano.

The local school rated I in five events as follows: Mixed chorus, girls' glee club, alto soloist, Juanetta Lyons; baritone soloist, Leroy Hopkins; and male quartet. All other events entered received a rating of II or very good.

Piano students from the Chamberlain Studio, Johnny McDougal, Alexine Clement, Charles Alston and Palmer Perkins, all receiving ratings which will permit them to enter the final state piano contest to be held also in Raleigh on April 28.

Schools represented at the district events were: Stovall, Raleigh, Apex, Roxboro, Dunn, Oxford, Wise Lillington, Siler City, and Durham. Judges for vocal events were Mrs. C. W. Ray, Department of Music, Bennett College and Miss Ruth Gillum, Music Department of North Carolina College serving as adjudicator for the piano events.

## Negro Vaudeville Wheel Open At Petersburg

WASHINGTON

America's vaudeville performers hailed with glee the opening of the nation's newest vaudeville wheel for Negro performers last week at Petersburg, Virginia. The new circuit takes in six tidewater towns and consists of eleven days of bookings, largely one day stands. The Rex Amusement Corporation, operators of the Howard Theater here, have opened the lops with Lillian Apert, of New York, handling the booking chores.

The opening bill, in addition to Bostic and the Band, includes, singer Helen Young; multiple instrument specialist Gene Heald; the comedy team of Foxx and White; danseuse Lady Darlene and tapster Jimmy Hawkins.

The routing of the new circuit includes one day at the Gem Theater in Petersburg; three at the Hippodrome in Richmond; three at the Booker T. in Norfolk; single days in the Capitol at Portsmouth, Jefferson in Newport News, Virginia in Roanoke and Harrison at Lynchburg. Top "names" are scheduled for future bills.

NORTH CAROLINA COLLEGE LISTS FINALS SPEAKER

Dr. Martha B. Lucas, president of Sweet Briar College, Sweet Briar, Va., will be the final speaker at North Carolina College's commencement exercises Tuesday, June 6, in B. N. Duke Auditorium.

Ping Pong Tournament Notes: Most of you have noticed the recent increased interest manifested in table tennis at the Center. For several weeks city-wide elimination contests have been taking place and on Saturday, April 15th the city champs journeyed to Fayetteville to compete in the statewide tournament held in the Newbold Training School Gymnasium for juniors, intermediates and adults. Again

## An Informal Glance At The W.D. Hill 'Rec' Center

By MRS. M. H. JOHNSON

The intricate workings necessary to make up an effective community center program are not readily seen by a casual observer. However, those who are close to the scene know that there are many important cogs in the wheel, and that in order to keep the community center functioning properly, these cogs must be kept oiled and working regularly. At the W. D. Hill Community Center, these cogs take the form of interest groups organized into clubs, and supervised by an adult, paid or volunteer, staff member. Each club has an appointed time, generally once a week, and a special place for its meeting. Together, the boys and girls learn to work, play, and compete against each other in an atmosphere which encourages the optimum development of their creative ability and skills. The activities of all the youth clubs are coordinated by a governing body, the Youth Clubs Council, which acts as a steering committee. It is a policy making organization whose purpose is to continuously improve the recreation program at the Center. Representatives from each club are elected to the council. Mr. Holmes is advisor to this group.

At the present time there are ten adult clubs and nine youth clubs active at the Center. The Youth Clubs are the Dance Club whose advisor is Mrs. William Bailey; the Ballet and Dramatic Clubs under the supervision of Mrs. Grace Moore Green; the Junior and Senior Social Clubs directed by Mrs. Carrie Hargrove; the Teen Age Boys' Club under the direction of Mrs. Sylvia F. Wray; the Teen Age Girls Club supervised by Mrs. Reba Spaulding; the craft class supervised by Mrs. Althea M. Holmes; and the Choral Club and Male Ensemble accompanied by Miss Louise Younse and directed by Mrs. M. H. Johnson. The adult affiliations are: the Junior Mothers, the Model Mothers, the Wedlocks, the Flamingo Club, Happy Pals, Lords and Ladies, I. E. S. Club, the H. and W. Club, the Stork Club and the Socialite Club.

Play School: Clinton Weston celebrated his sixth birthday. Tuesday, April 11. Two newcomers have enrolled in the Play School, Martin Vaughn Westcott and James Brown. Coming Events: Don't forget the Anniversary Celebration, April 26, 7:30 p. m. Teen Age Activity Night Volleyball and boxing April 27, 8:00.



KID KING: Frank Kenneth Scott, 8-year-old Memphis grade school lad, and Ann Caldwell, also 8, both of Memphis, Tenn., who were named juvenile King and Queen of Memphis Cotton Makers Jubilee, last week.

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HAMP AND BERLE OF IT: America's greatest gagster, Milton Berle, drops in to rave in person to Lionel Hampton, America's greatest bandleader, about the terrific show the Man of Rhythm put on during his last engagement at Broadway's Pop City where he established an all-time record for paid attendance. Berle had entire Hampton aggregation of 30 persons on his television show.

## BROWSING WITH BROWER—

(Continued from Page Two)

ENDOWMENTS? Yes. If the majority votes YES on both questions, all income from the endowments of Watts and Lincoln hospitals can only be used for the hospitals, and for no other purposes whatsoever . . . The endowment of Lincoln Hospital is \$12,531 and in 1949 yielded a return of \$813.13 . . . The endowment of Watts Hospital has a market value, as of December 1, 1949, of \$633,831.70 and in 1949 yielded a return of \$30,654.04 . . .

HAS ANYTHING BEEN DONE TO KEEP POLITICS OUT OF THE HOSPITALS' OPERATION? Yes. The County Commissioners will lease the hospitals for operational purposes to the trustees of the hospital for 25 years . . .

ODDS 1 TO 3 SOMEONE IN YOUR FAMILY GOES . . . None of us like to think we might have to go to a hospital at any minute, but it can happen to you. Do they have a room ready in case? Chances are 1 to 3 that someone in your family goes to a hospital once a year . . . Chairman Bascom Baines reports broad improvements in equipment and remodeling for Lincoln if funds are voted by you . . . VOTE YES ON BOTH QUESTIONS, 'cause I might have to go or maybe you . . . To All You Hippocrates: "Life is short, the Art is long, opportunity is fleeting, experiment is perilous, judgement difficult" . . . I remain your prudent counsellor and editor . . . 5-7751 in the Logan Building . . .

## High-Flying Orioles And 'Bewildered' Amos Milburn On Southern Tour

SAVANNAH, GA.

The high-flying Orioles and the famed "Bewildered" man, Amos Milburn and his band, two of the hottest box office attractions and jukebox favorites in all America, will be co-starring on a series of southern one-niters, teeing off Wednesday, April 19 with a stand at the City Auditorium in Savannah. The deal for the two top attractions to be teamed for a limited tour of eight key southern localities was set by the Shaw Artists Corp., which handles both the Orioles and the Milburn band.

Following their stand in this city, the Orioles-Milburn package will play successive dates in Durham, N. C.; Charleston, S. C.; Pensacola and Jacksonville, Fla.; Atlanta, Ga.; and Monroe, La.

Upon the completion of their co-starring dates, the two units will go their separate ways. Milburn will invade the lone star state of Texas on April 30 for two weeks of one-niters while the Orioles will head northward on the one-niter circuit.

The high-spot of the Orioles' inaugurated General Education (Carolina College for the newly Board Scholarships for graduates of Southern colleges and universities to improve the quality of scholarship in the Southern region.

## I've Been Thinking

BY CAB CALLOWAY

Spring is definitely in the air. Milady's hats are getting frisky, and she's getting that look in her eye . . . the one that says, "I've been wasting away in this house all Winter and now that fair weather's here again, I'm going to take a week off and visit mother."

No doubt about it, the man of the house is going to find himself left to his own resources one of these weeks very soon. That's why I thought this column would be especially apropos. These are handy household hints for the bewildered male so that he will be able to take care of himself while his better half is away.

### RECIPE FOR TOAST

Ingredients: Bread . . . dull knife. Place the bread in the oven and turn the fire up high. There's no need to tend it, so go ahead and shave while it cooks. When through shaving, open oven and remove. Take bread to sink and scrape with dull knife. When golden brown color appears, butter and eat.

### WHOLESOME DINNER MENU

Pork and Beans (canned) Spaghetti (canned) Toast (see recipe above) Bread if the kiddies are still hungry. Women may object to this piece, but then, they make a lot of unnecessary work for themselves, so don't pay them any mind. This business of making beds, for instance. Don't do it! Beds need airing anyhow, so just throw the covers back until you're ready to go to bed again.

Bathing the kiddies. Waste of time. They just get dirty again anyhow. Try this scheme. Once a week, turn them loose on the front lawn and let them play with the garden hose. They'll squirt each other until they're pretty clean. Saves a lot of wear and tear on the bathroom.

Cleaning house isn't as hard as the wife would have you believe. Put accumulated papers, letters, magazines, etc., into neat piles every few days. Swept dirt under rugs. Don't let empty tin cans pile up where the kids can reach them.

While flies gather, wash dishes. This is easily done by piling them in the sink or a large tub and letting them soak for a few days. When they have soaked until fairly clean, turn on hot water full force and hold dish under water until clean.

If you have friends over for poker, try to discourage them from throwing cigar butts on the floor or rug. This practice not only clutters up the house but also may be the cause of small fires from time to time.

Alcohol stains fine furniture finishes, so do your imbibing in the kitchen. If the drainboards are cluttered with dirty dishes, you can lay your glasses on the floor since alcohol does not stain linoleum.

Don't bother putting up lunch for the kids. Give them a dime to spend on candy bars. Candy is fully of energy. Now, don't thank me for these hints. I like to be helpful and it's been a pleasure. I know you'll fare swimmingly!

### INDIA WANTS TRUMAN'S POINT FOUR AID

NEW DELHI, India (ATLAS News Service) India is at present negotiating with the United States Government for technical assistance under President Truman's point four program to develop the rich mineral resources of Orissa Orissa State.

### 'FLU TOPS LIST OF COMMUNICABLE ILLS

(ATLAS News Service) CHARLESTON, S. C. Influenza continues to head the list of communicable disease reports. Measles remained prevalent with 35 cases of gonorrhea and only one case of syphilis was reported.

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