

What's happening!

BY BOB JOHNSON

The Hampton Institute Concert Choir with ROLAND M. CARTER conducting along with student conductor ROBERT WINDER gave a very fine performance last week-end at the Greater Bethel AME Church on Grandin Road.

The songs chosen for the evening were: "I want Jesus To Walk With Me" (arr. Hairston), "Cantate Domino" (Schutz), "Motet" (Brahms), "Alleluia" (Thompson) "Kol Nidre" (Helfman), Every Bush New Springing" (Cavendish), "Yonder, Yonder" (arr. Gaines), "Water Boy" (arr. Ryder), "Las Agachadas" (Copland), "Make Your Choice" (Lee), "Thank You Lord-I Can't Help But Serve The Lord" (arr. Winder '75), "Jesus Is All The World To Me" (arr. Winder) and "I Must Tell Jesus" (Winder).

Some of the people attending the performance were: KELLY WEBB, MR. and MRS. LEROY CROSBY, MR. and MRS. IVORY HERBERT, MRS. LEMUEL BOULWARE, DR. SPURGEON W. WEBBER, MISS MARTHA RIDDICK, BILL BROWN of Monroe, Dr. CHRISTOPHER KEMP, MARILYN HOLT and MRS. CLARA JONES.

Happening would like to extend best wishes to all of its readers who were born or married in the month of December.

The 100 Percent Pure Prison Band put on a super good show at the Midway Lounge last weekend. Many people were there enjoying the sounds of one of the finest bands in this area. Among them were: PATRICIA WHEELER, MR. and MRS. RICHARD CLARK, KIMBERLY MCGUINN, VICTORIA CLEAVES, MARILYN HOLT, who was visiting the Big Town from Newark, New Jersey, KENNETH GALLOWAY, WILLIAM TOLLIVER, WALTER BREWER, ARLETHA HODGES, BRUCE LAUGHORN, and PATRICIA WILSON. VIRGINIA MASSEY, the female member of the group, really put a spell on the audience when she sang "Been Such a Long Time" and "You're The Best Thing That Ever Happened To Me."

DWIGHT SULLIVAN emerged with the most points in the "No Name Chess Club's" match last week. He scored 7. KAREN GIBBS and BOB JOHNSON finished the evening with 3½ points, followed by WAYNE DIGGS with 3 points, HENRY WALL 2 points, SHEDRICK WILLIAMS 1 point, LLOYD SIGLER 1 point, RAY THORPE 1 point, and BILL TILLMAN 0 points.

Did you know that Maxan cut an album about 2 years ago that is as good as "Bail Out For Fun"? The album is entitled "Maxan" and is on Capricorn records. Check it out!

The Ballroom of the Sheraton Center was the Saturday night scene of a dance given by the Charlotte Chapter of Squaws, Inc.

The dance, which lasted from 10-til-2 with breakfast to boot, was attended by such people as: Mr. and Mrs. OREN McCULLOUGH, JAMES and PATRICIA DIXON, JAMES and LULA PHIFER, ELOISE MORTON, WILLIE WALKER who was master of ceremony.

BILL and EDNA JOHNSON, JOE and BONITA MUMFORD, MR. and MRS. WALTER TAYLOR JR., DAN and BETTY McLAURIN, WILLIAM TOLLIVER, JANET FERGUSON, CHARLES HODGES, CURTIS and HATTIE ARDREY, CHARLES and PATRICIA FOSTER, MR. and MRS. TENNISON JOHNSON, MURDIES and MARY ARNOLD, MR. and MRS. JOE APPLING, FRANK TAYLOR, MR. and MRS. STERLING WOODARD and RICHARD REEVES and guest.

The music for the evening was furnished by JOHNNY WHITE and the CRUSADERS, who kept the dance lively and full of fun!

A donation will be given to the Sickie Cell Anemia Foundation from the proceeds.

On behalf of BETTY McLAURIN, SHIRLEY MASSEY and the other Squaws, Happening would like to say thanks for your patronage.

A number of people visited the Big Town during the Thanksgiving holidays. People like: Mrs. OZZIETTA DAVIS of Orangeburg, S. C. HENRY and VERGELINE DAVIS of Washington, D. C., Mr. and Mrs. DONALD McCLURE of Washington, D. C., TROY BRYANT and LOIS MASSEY of Baltimore, Md., and CHIQUITA McCULLOUGH from Jamaica, N.Y.

Happening hopes that these and all other visitors enjoyed themselves and will return soon.

Funguss Blues provided the music for a dance given by the Oasis Social Club at the Fairground last weekend. Among the people seen enjoying themselves were: MARY RIVENS, DORIS MASSEY, TROY BRYANT, LOIS MASSEY, WALTER and ALLISSA STEVENS, CHRISTOPHER and CAROL CALDWELL, PATRICIA GRIGGS, RICHARD and BURLYN METTS and CHARLES GILL.



MISS EDDIE B. SANDERS
...The former Miss Della Jagers

Miss Della Jagers Weds Eddie Sanders

Miss Della Jagers recently became the bride of Eddie W. Sanders in a private ceremony held in York, S. C.

Rev. Charles F. Nunn officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Beatrice Hood of 2212 Edison Street. The groom is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sanders.

Mrs. Sanders received her BA degree from Johnson C. Smith University, and her MA degree from North Carolina Central University. She is employed by the Kings Mountain City School System. Mr. Sanders is a graduate of Second Ward High School and is employed by Pneumafil Corporation.

Local Livingstonians Fete Alumni Retirees

The Charlotte Chapter of the Livingstone College Alumni Association entertained retired members of the association and their guests at a holiday dinner Sunday on December 1 at Morrison's Cafeteria in South Park. This was the third year for the annual project.

Miss Shirely Johnson, president of the local chapter, said that attendance was down from past years because of inclement weather; however, she added, "the weather did not dampen spirits one bit." Miss Johnson stated that the Livingstonians began the project three years ago for several reasons: to let the retirees who had worked so diligently through the years to promote the programs of the Salisbury, N. C. college know

that their efforts were still remembered and appreciated; to give the retirees an opportunity to fellowship their classmates and friends, many of whom they seldom see during the year; and to give the younger members of the association an opportunity to meet them.

Retirees and their guests included: Mrs. D. E. Williamson and guests: Mrs. Homes, Mrs. and Mrs. C. N. Watson; Miss Leland Bishop and guests - Mrs. Ethie Martin and Mrs. L. Sims; Mrs. Hattie Alexander and guest - Mrs. Brandon; Mrs. Bessie Mullins; Mrs. Willie Young Johnson. Other Livingstonians included Earl Colston (and wife, Thelma), Miss Ann LeGrand, Miss Carolyn Patton and Tom Asbury.

Consumer Price Index Rose 0.9 Percent In October

The Consumer Price Index rose 0.9 percent in October to 153.2 (1967-100), the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported.

The rise was due to higher prices for a variety of consumer goods and services— notably new and used cars, mortgage interest costs, apparel commodities, cereal and bakery products, and sugar. The effect of this increase was partially offset by declines in prices for meats and gasoline.

On a seasonally adjusted basis, the rise in the October CPI was also 0.9 percent. This increase compares with 1.2 percent in September and 1.3 percent in August.

The food index rose 1.3 percent after seasonal adjustment in October, following even larger increases in both August and September. The October increase in the index for nonfood commodities of 0.6 percent was less than half the average monthly increase of 1.3 percent in the first 9 months of this year.

The index for services rose 0.9 percent in October, compared with 1.1 percent in each of the preceding 3 months.

Compared with a year ago, the October CPI was up 12.2 percent. The food index was 11.9 percent higher this October than in October 1973, and the index for commodities other than food was up 14.0 percent. The services index rose 10.6 percent over the same period.

The index for food purchased in grocery stores— which usually shows a large seasonal decline in October— rose 0.6 percent. Prices averaged higher for most types of food except meats, poultry, and fresh fruits. Prices increased sharply for cereal and bakery products and sugar and sweets. Prices continued to rise rapidly for eggs, non-alcoholic beverages, partially prepared foods, and fats and oil products.

In contrast, meat and poultry prices turned down in October following two months of large increases. The declines were sharper than usual for beef but were largely seasonal for pork and poultry. Fresh fruit prices continued

to decline but not as much as is usual for October. The index for food away from home— restaurant meals and snacks— increased 1.0 percent. The index for commodities other than food rose 0.9 percent before seasonal adjust-

ment in October. Over a fifth of the rise was due to an increase in the index for new cars. October is the first month in which 1975 model-year cars were introduced in the CPI. Used car prices continued to rise.

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