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Black Movies, TV **News Briefs**

'Big Blue Marble'', the soundtrack from the Public Broadcasting System children's TV series sponsored by ITT. It's secretly a compendium of current pop styles and amusing and entrancing even for adults. There's also a single with Arthur Fiedler conducting the Boston Pops Orchestra playing the theme from "Big Blue Marble", backed by Burt Bacharach's "What the World Needs Now." ... Pearl Bailey has suffered three heart attacks, so she talks seriously, but humorously as she reflects on her experiences on "Feeling Good", the PBS TV series on health that is returning with a new format. The show, a production of Children's Television Workshop can be seen on the 250



BOB MORGAN ...WBT afternoon man **Bob Morgan**

To Broadcast

From Attic Sales

... Bob Morgan, WBT's afternoon man will be broadcasting his show from WBT's Worlds Largest Attic Sale Saturday, April 19th from 3 to 6 PM. Helping Bob out from 5 to 6 PM will be Jeff Pilot of WBT's Traffic Watch.

... WBT's Worlds Largest Attic Sale is a sell-out for the second year in a row. Over 120 booths have been sold to over 75 non-profit organizations for this big two day sale. Sale days are Saturday and Sunday, April 19th and 20th at the Merchandise Mart in Charlotte.

. . There will be free admission and free parking Saturday from 10 AM to 9 PM and Sunday from noon to 6 PM.

Voorhee's Choir

Pays Tribute

.There's a children's album, PBS stations at 8 p.m. Eastern and 7 p.m. Central. Check your local stations. Dick Cavett is host. ...Black is beautiful on Broad-

way with black shows and black artists plentiful among the nominees for the Antoionette Perry (Tony) Awards. "The Wiz" was nominated for Best Musical, Best Musical Book, Best Musical Score,

Best Director (Geoffrey Holder) Best Costume Designer (Geoffrey Holder) and Best Choreographer (George Faison). Lola Falana was nominated for Best Actress in a musical, the late lamented "Doctor Jazz". Those two South African actors, John Kani and Winston Nishonia were pegged for Best Actor in a Play, "Sizwe Banzi" & "The Island", and the two shows were also nominated for Best Play.

... Also nominated for Best Play was "Short Eyes", the play about life in prison. Another nominee was Linda Miller for Best Supporting Actress in a Play, in Bill Gunn's "Black Picture Show" and Gilbert Price as Best Supporting Actor in a Musical for The Night That Made America Famous". "The Wiz" also copped nominees in these two categories with Ted Ross and Dee Dee Bridgewater. Winners will be announced and awards presented on April 20 from show at the Winter Garden to be seen on ABC-TV from 8:30-10:30 p.m.

.. Lola Falana was the Toast of Broadway-if only a short time. "Doctor Jazz, the musical in which she starred played 42 previews and closed after five regular performances-a \$400,000 bust. But Lola scored. Labelled a "new star", and already known to film ("The Klansman") and TV audiences, the handsome singer-dancer was called "an impressive performer, with a sleek figure, magnetism and

authority." .Fred Williamson's "Boss Nigger" continues to be the top black film among the 50 **Top-Grossing Films list, with** "TNT Jackson" the only other making the list. Williamson will direct the next feature he co-produces with Lee Winkler, "Hero's Welcome," They teamed on "Boss-Nigger" and will on a third, "Adios Ami-

gos." ... Two new black films on the scene are "The Black Gestapo", starring Rod Perry and Charles P. Robinson from a story by Ronald K. Goldman and Wes Bishop, and "Sheba, Baby", starring Pam Grier, Austin Stoker and D'Urville



FLIP WILSON ... Top Entertainer "Flip" To Cohost **Mike Douglas Show**

audience questions...with a ... The incomparable Flip Wilsurprise ending from Frank son joins forces with Mike Raines, otherwise known as Dougals to begin a fun and Mr. Echo. entertainment-filled week as cohost on "The Mike Douglas"

Mark Rando, a chef at the famous Benihana of Tokyo Japanese restaurants, prepares a deluxe meal with the help of his new trainee--Flip Wilson-san.

.Steve and Mike take to the piano to have fun with some of the songs for which Steve has written words and-or music including "South Rampart Street Parade," "Gravy Wa-Itz" and "This Could Be the Start of Something Big."

. Psychic Kenny Kingston reveals incidents that substantiate his powers and then reads the auras surrounding Mike and his guests.

.Everyone gets a chance to do something in the closing medley. Eloise imitates Diana Ross, Steve sings a tune; Jayne performs "Hello Dolly" in Chinese; Kenny reads the aura of someone from the studio audience and Flip tells a sto-

Bandstand Dance

End Saturday

Album Wins Gold

Record Award

.LOS ANGELES - "Together For the First Time," the two-LP album recorded "live" last summer by ABC Records art-

Show" on Monday from 4 to 5

on channel 9. Their guests

include Steve Allen and wife

Jayne Meadows, singer Eloise

Laws, "Mr. Echo" Frank

Raines, chef Mark Rondo

from Benihana of Tokyo, and

.Flip's alter-ego Geraldine

recalls how he developed the

character ("She's a composite

of the black women that I

respect so much") and tells

about his dreams as a child,

his family and where the

Eloise Laws, sings "I Got

the Music in Me." and shares

stories about working with

Steve Allen and Jayne Mea-

dows, just back from a trip to

China, recount their experi-

ences as they show slides from

their vacation and tell stories

about their visit. They answer

King, Bland New

name "Flip" originated.

Flip.

surfaces as the comedian

psychic Kenny Kingston.

On WBTV Lou Gossett To Star In **Black Bart Friday Night**

States - Proppy

. Make way for "Black Bart," the West's first black sheriff! It's period-funky, outrageously funny and not like anything you've ever seen on television before. And it airs Friday, April 4, at 8 P.M. ET on CBS-TV.

.. Lou Gossett is Black Bart. The lanky, 6'4" actor - who delighted film audiences as the hip slave opposite James Garner in Warner Bros.' "The Skin Game" - is even more aware of what's shakin' in this comedy Western set in the zany surroundings of Paris, Ariz., over 100 years ago.

.According to writers Michael Elias and Frank Shaw, Bart is the first black sheriff in the West. He's lightning-fast on the draw, totally honest, reasonably fearless, a very heavy dresser, hip to everything that's going down and rumored to be the dude who first coined th phrase, "Black is beautiful."

... Gossett is ecstatic over the role. "It's beautiful," he enthused. "My late granddaddy Tennie taught me long ago that great dignity and honor could come out of humor. And if he were alive today he'd laugh his sides off at Bart and I'm sure he'd say we're right on with this one.'

... "Black Bart" as a series will explore the entire panorama of the Western myth through the 1975 eyes and attitudes of Bart. He'll find himself against all those great characters who typified the West: men who were men, women who were women; tough, visionary, individualistic; and as a group, the most disgusting bunch of mefirsters and bigots a black was every supposed to step off the sidewalk for. But Bart doesn't step off; he's a 1975 black and he's not about to shuffle for anyone. The fact that Paris, Ariz., is some hundred years behind him is the comedic grist of

."It's better to teach through comedy than through tra-

NEW AND REVEALING! "Black Bart." * COLOR DIAL Late



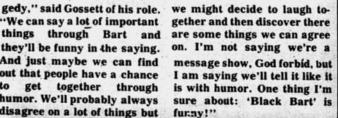
THE WEST'S FIRST BLACK SHERIFF - Lou Gossett stars in the hilarious half-hour comedy "Black Bart," Friday, April 4, at 8 P.M. ET on CBS-TV.

We can say a lot of important gether and then discover there things through Bart and are some things we can agree they'll be funny in the saying. on. I'm not saying we're a And just maybe we can find out that people have a chance to get together through humor. We'll probably always disagree on a lot of things but fur.ny!"

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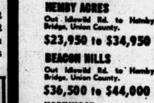
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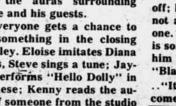
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To Ellington

.Denmark, - ine o4-voice Voorhees College choir will pay tribute to the late Duke Ellington in a spring concert on Friday, April 4, 8:00 p.m. in the Lawrence Memorial Auditorium.

... The choir, under the direction of John W. Hunter and accompained by Mrs. Paulette B. Green, will play a special role in Voorhees' 50year Episcopal Church affiliation anniversary and 78th year founding by performing a distinctive program of selected sacred and secular music.

.. The choir is scheduled to begin its annual northeast coast spring tour on April 6 and return to the campus on April 13.

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TIME

Dilworth Theatre

.George Tipton and Lorice Stevens, singing stars with impressive Broadway and concert credits, launch the third season of their BOY Productions by sending five musicals on tour to schools and community theatres. All celebrating the impact of black musical culture on American artistic life, the shows are "Fantasy Street", "Ms. Rapunzel", "Passin' Through", "A New Day" and

"Raisin" musical director Howard Roberts takes leave of the Broadway hit April 15 to conduct Alvin Ailey Dance Theater at New York City Center for three weeks, then jets to Paris to conduct Ailey's six-week season at Place Dds Sports, opening May 14.

"In Concert".

ists B. B. King and Bobby "Blue" Bland, has been certified as a Gold Record by the **Recording Industry Associa**tion of America, acccording to an announcement from Jerold H. Rubinstein, Chairman of **ABC Records.**

.. The album, produced by Steve Barri, ABC's Vice President in Charge of Artists and Repertory, is the first to ge gold for either of the two veteran blues singers.

annual 10-week dance contest will highlight the ABC Televison Network's "American Bandstand," SATURDAY, APRIL 5 (12:30-1:30 p.m., EDT).

... The six couples in the dance contest are competing for a top prize of "his and hers" automobiles. The second place couple will win a trip to Hawaii. The winners will be announced on the program on Saturday, April 26.



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