

"There May Be A Wedding," Says Singer Clara Ward Platters Being Tried On Vice Charges In Ohio City

Going Abroad, But Wedding May Follow

PHILADELPHIA — "There may be a wedding when I return from my next trip abroad," admitted Clara Ward, when cornered by reporters in Philadelphia after Dorothy Kilgallen, the nationally syndicated columnist, hinted that the wealthy bachelor girl may soon make an altar trek with a local barber.

But Miss Ward refused to name the barber, or give the approximate date of the possible wedding. However, rumors are that the barber has a shop on Columbia Avenue in Philadelphia, and that he was constantly in touch with the famous gospel artist when she was in Europe for four months of concerts.

One of the wealthiest single women in the nation, Clara Ward reportedly earns around \$250,000 annually from gospel concerts, royalties on recordings and published sheet music, and the sales of gospel song books published by her Ward's House of Music.

The Ward Singers recently recorded an album of 12 spiritual songs for Steve Allen's new Hanover Records label.

Erroll Garner In Carnegie Concert

NEW YORK (ANP) — Erroll Garner, "The Man for whom the piano was invented," will be presented in concert at Carnegie Hall Friday, Oct. 16, the sponsor S. Hurrok agency announced.

The Columbia recording artist, whose hit records have each passed the one million mark, will be accompanied by bass and percussion.

27 Student Teachers At St. Aug.

Twenty seven seniors at St. Augustine's College have begun Cadet Teaching in the various schools of North Carolina, announced F. R. Robinson, Dean of the college.

At Hawley High, Creedmoor are: Cora Brooks, Business; Henry A. Cunningham, Physical Education; Helen Jordan, Fifth Grade; Mrs. Almeta Revis, Fifth Grade; Charles Swindal, Social Studies.

Franklin County Training School at Louisburg are: Ruth Hayes, Physical Education; Hazeline Jones, Business; Mrs. Patricia Lacy, Second Grade; Albert Sturup, Physical Education; Betty McLean, Primary.

Johnston County Training School in Smithfield are: Patricia Davis, English; Geraldine Perry, French; Berry O'Kelly, Method, Charity; Edward Craig, Physical Education; Jesse Massenburg, Social Studies.

Cooper High School, Clayton are: George Fleming, Business; Harold Bing, Social Studies.

Ligon High, Raleigh are: Jean E. Catchings, Business; Lillian Daniels, English; Carolyn Lipscomb, Physical Education; Wynona Rhem, Music; James Schumpert, Mathematics.

Washington School, Raleigh are: Vera E. Jenkins, Physical Education.

Lucille Hunter are: Loretta Johnson, Fourth Grade.

Crosby-Garfield, Nancy Rhice, Fifth Grade.

Mary E. Phillips, Irene E. Williams.

Darden High, Wilson, Bella M. Gilchrist, Social Studies.

Bingham, Business.



CLARA WARD SINGERS

All Work, No Play For Jazz Organist Doggett

NEW YORK — Vacations don't mean a thing to bandleader Bill Doggett who just resumed work after a three week layoff. His plans for an extended fishing trip in Maine were tossed out of the window when he spent most of his vacation writing new arrangements for his band.

Always one to give the public

something new in the way of musical ideas, jazz organist Doggett turned out a complete new library for his men to play.

When he resumed his engagements at Gleason's musical bar in Cleveland, King records released at the same time his latest two-sided single, "Yocky Dock," a tune with Honky Tonk beat that bids fair to become the nation's newest hit.



GREENSBORO BEAUTY—Miss Jacqueline Bell, an honor student and senior at A&T College, is "Miss A&T" for the current school year. She will reign over homecoming activities this weekend at A&T College, as thousands of alumni and friends return to the college. The main event is the homecoming football clash featuring the Aggies and Maryland State College of Princess Anne.

Cut For Refusing To Play Guitar, Man Kills

FLORENCE, Ala. — (ANP) — Police are holding Benjamin Roulet on a first degree murder charge pending a preliminary hearing into the slaying of a white farmer, John Newton, Roulet who

showed police a cut on one side of his face, said he shot Newton after the farmer came to his house, "kicked me around and ordered me to play a guitar." Newton, who was shot in the chest, was clutching a pocketknife when the police arrived.

Roulet gave this account of the slaying: "The farmer came to his house with the guitar, cut him, kicked him around and threatened to shoot my head off if I didn't play the guitar," Roulet said. "I told him, Mr. John, you go on home. But he reached in his pocket and got the knife and then I shot him."

Clyde McPhatter Builds NJ Home

TEANECK, N. J. — This quiet residential town's newest resident is recording artist Clyde McPhatter who just moved into his \$45,000 ranch home complete with swimming pool.

The MGM record star donned bluejeans and helped the workmen around his 8 room mansion during a brief vacation. Last Christmas he gifted his mother and father with a \$25,000 home in Englewood, just a few miles from here.

He plans building a complete recording studio in his extra large basement that will set him back \$15,000.

Famous Rock 'N' Roll Team Facing Stiff Terms If Convicted Of Raps

CINCINNATI (ANP) — The Platters, internationally famous rock 'n' roll singing group went on trial here last week on charges of aiding and abetting in prostitution growing out of their arrests in a downtown hotel last Aug. 10.

In the raid, four girls three white and one Negro, all of nearby Hamilton, O., were seized. They were charged with engaging in

prostitution, lewdness and assignation.

The four girls are Janie Davis, Virginia Lee Jones, Fatsy Sue Howard and Helen Harrison, all 19.

The Platters are Tony Williams, 31, Hollywood, Calif.; Irvin Robi, 26, El Centro, Calif.; David Lynch, Jr., 30, and Herbert A. Reed, 31, Los Angeles. A girl member of the

group was not involved in the cases.

As the trial opened, the defense attorney hammered away at the charges against the Platters and the girls. He had previously tried unsuccessfully to get the judge to drop the charges.

Municipal Judge Gilbert Betman was to rule on the case later.

Theatricals

Ella Fitzgerald Scores Hit On Gary Moore TV Show

NEW YORK (ANP) — Singing several of her top ballads, songstress Ella Fitzgerald scored a big hit in her headlining appearance on the Gary Moore show Tuesday (CBS TV network).

Acclaimed the queen of all popular jazz singers, Miss Fitzgerald was outstanding on such songs as "Sweet and Lovely" and "Tenderly." She was given a rousing applause

by the studio audience and made several trips to the microphone for the national television audience.

Appearing on the program with her were the Dukes of Dixieland, Marian Lorne and Durward Kirby.

Betty Grable: Movie Star Nixes Wilson Vegas Date

NEW YORK — Did Hollywood movie star Betty Grable refuse to share the stage of a Las Vegas hotel with rock 'n' roll star Jackie Wilson?

From a top source in the theatrical booking business it was learned that Wilson who had been booked to appear at the Flamingo hotel in the fabulous desert city, was cancelled out when Miss Grable balked at his appearing because of his terrific popularity and dynamic act that garners tremendous applause.

It was said that she felt that her act wasn't as strong as his and that she would suffer badly in comparison.

While this would've been his first Las Vegas appearance as a solo

artist, Wilson is no stranger on the record, TV and theatre circuit. As hot as the proverbial firecracker, he's regarded today as top box-office material and the Vegas engagement would have tested his ability to draw before suave, sophisticated nite club crowd.

He was lined up for the appearance after his manager, Nat Tarnapol had reasoned that his client was no stranger to Vegas, having appeared there when he was a member of the Dominos quartet. "Jackie," he said, "knows how to handle all types of audiences."

In show business there are many headlines performers who refuse to share the marquee with other performers who are known to be "show stealers."

Many Protest Padlocking Of The Highlander School

MONTEAGLE, Tenn. — The Southern Christian Leadership Conference and the Alabama Christian Movement for Human Rights have joined the rising protest against the padlocking of Highlander Folk School.

Delegates to the southwest meeting of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference in Columbia, South Carolina, called upon Tennessee Governor Buford Ellington and other state officials "to take steps to end this obvious persecution of the school and of Mrs. Septima Clark, its educational director."

The Alabama Christian movement, headed by the Rev. Fred L. Shuttlesworth, acted at a mass meeting of the organization in Birmingham, it declared.

"The arrest of Mrs. Septima Clark of this school is shameful and deserves condemnation by all lovers of freedom. Having already lost one job and suffered much humiliation because of her courageous stand for freedom, she is now being harassed and intimidated by those who seek to tie America's future to the evils of yesterday.

"As we understand it, Highlander is guilty of nothing more than believing fully in integration and providing training workshops and forums for persons who are striving to make democracy

real for all Americans irrespective of race, creed or color.

"We condemn as unjust, unchristian those sordid attacks. We call upon all liberty loving people, white and colored, to stand together, for this is one fight. We must pray for those whose eyes are dimmed by the dazzling light of freedom, whose understanding is so limited as to understand the word integration to mean communism."

Palmer Memorial Into 58th Year

SEDALIA—Palmer Memorial Institute in Sedalia, officially began its 58th year with the traditional Founders Day Convocation in the Wellesley Auditorium, Sunday, October 11, at 11:30 A. M.

Dr. Alphonso Eldon, president of North Carolina College, Durham, was the speaker. Miss Wilhelmina M. Crosson, the school's second president, officiated at the exercises.

Attorney C. R. Wharton of Greensboro, president of the board of trustees, gave the charge. Music was furnished by the Sedalia Singers under the direction of Miss Dolores Howard.

GOLDEN LEAM
Lean liberty is better than fat slavery.
—John Ray

A&T Marching Band To Show New Uniforms

GREENSBORO—The crack A&T College Marching Band of 120 persons and its contingent of 10 high stepping majorettes will be decked out in brand new uniforms for the homecoming football game to be played here on October 17.

The game will feature the A&T College Aggies, defending conference champions, against Maryland State College of Princess Anne and is to be played at 2:00 p. m. at Memorial Stadium.

Walter F. Carlson, Jr., director of bands, said the band uniforms of royal blue are combination type, including a massive breast shield in gold. The shield is worn by the marching unit, but when removed becomes an ideal costume for the symphony band.

The majorettes costume is also a combination. It has both short shorts and skirts in a color combination of light blue and gold.

Hosea L. Taylor, assistant director of bands, and who supervises the intricate marching maneuvers for which the unit is noted, has arranged a special full length production for the halftime show. Both he and Carlson agree that the show is to be as new and peppy as the uniforms.



HOLLYWOOD (ANP)—CELEBRATING THE FILMING STAR of Columbia's "All The Young Men," an elaborate reception for the great international cast was held on an afternoon last week at ornate Colossal Beverly Hills hotel.

Headed by co-stars Sidney Poitier and Alan Ladd, the celebrated honorees included James Barren, Glen Corbett, Mort Sahl, Ingeemar Johansson, and introducing a beautiful talented surprise feminine star whose name I am not to reveal until a few days after the actual shooting begins.

Johansson, as you may have guessed, is entering his first movie role of a winning fame in the prize ring by knocking out the ex-world's champion, Floyd Patterson. His contract was signed some time ago at a fabulous salary, but the studio had to wait until he was available.

The same circumstances were present in the case of Poitier,

who also with plenty of plenty, signed up for his part, but had to conclude his role on Broadway in "Raisin' In The Sun," before reporting to Columbia.

My opinion, pretty actress-dancer Calla Scrivener, had worked with Sidney in "Something of Value," and in his usual friendly, unpretentious manner, he greeted her warmly. He was as usual cordial to your reporter—we having met first, in 20th Century-Fox's "No Way Out," in which controversial film he made his debut several years ago in Hollywood.

We became personally acquainted with all the other stars, and a good time was had by all with pleasant informal conversation and laughter. From 5:30 to 7:30, Bill Bartlett, Columbia executive, proved an excellent host and saw to it that everyone enjoyed themselves. Incidentally "All The Young Men," will be completed in time to be in the running for an Academy Award next spring.



SANTO AND JOHNNY, whose recording of "Sleep Walk" is the No. 1 record of radio and the juke boxes of the nation this week, are being featured in "Rock and Roll USA" at N. C. State Fair, October 15-17. The rock show stars the Everly Brothers with five other singing and instrumental recording groups, which have recordings with "Top 40" ratings. Five performances will be given in the Arena Thursday through Saturday. Fair dates are October 13 through 17.

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