Anthony Pesci, while, recently appeared in Brooklyn in a recital with Carl Ditton accompanying him.

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Opens Friday at the Royal

BOB ALLEN is tied up securely by bad men in "Rio Grande Ranger."

"Swing Along" Comes to the Royal Theatre Stage

With the new show starting on Friday the Royal Theatre management guarantees a new price policy for admission. Swingin Along, a musical extravaganza with Dusty Fletcher, Sandy Burns and George Wilshire, and the two Zephyrs, famous radio entertainers, direct from the Cotton Club, New York City, will be staged.

The Royal, continuing its policy of changing features twice each week offers on the screen, Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday, Legion of Terror, starring Bruce Cabot in an action drama that exposes the most vicious racket in American history. Also on the screen is the famous "Oh Yeah" comedy, featuring Ken Murray and Oswald, of radio fame.

On the screen for three days following will be Bob Allen in Rio Grande Ranger, the story of a G-man of the old Southwest.

Thursday-five lucky turkeys will be given away at 9 o'clock tonight (Thursday) absolutely free, from the stage of the theatre to the patrons holding lucky coupons.

These coupons will be given out by the theatre up to the time of the drawing and winners must be in the theatre to receive their turkeys.

Regent Theatre Offers New Tarzan on Screen

Headed for Regent

JANE WITHERS.

In "Tarzan Escapes" coming to the Regent Theatre for four days, beginning Sunday, Johnny Weissmuller, the world's swimming champion who became a screen celebrity, competed against the all-star athletes of the African jungle, leaving them at their own games.

As part of the amazing action of the new jungle story, Weissmuller left a school of saw-toothed crocodiles on far behind that they remained in the primary class.

He climbed so far over the heads of chimpanzees in so much less time, that the native experts were left in the lower grades in the branches of their own curriculum.

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JUST A MINUTE BOYS — ONE AT A TIME (GOSH—THEY HARDLY EVER NOTICED ME BEFORE, I'M SURE GLAD I USED GODEFROY'S LARIEUSE ON MY HAIR)

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But unlike women who go blindly on wondering why they can't hold their men—and why they can't get dates—she found the source of her trouble and corrected it. Men were avoiding her because of her ugly hair.

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Party Plums Upset Mass. Democrats

Parole Board Post Is Storm Center Since Loss of Judgeship.

BOSTON — Dr. Silas F. Taylor was named this week to succeed Matthew W. Bullock, attorney, on the Massachusetts Parole Board.

Julian Bailey, attorney, stood by his decision not to accept such an appointment.

By GEORGE W. GOODMAN

BOSTON—The unexpected death of a judge plus the uncertain frame of mind of the Governor of Massachusetts, who was recently defeated in his Senatorial ambitions, has thrown the colored Democratic leaders in this State into quite a panic for the past two weeks.

The judgeship offers a salary of $9,000 a year and as far as any incumbent is concerned is a life-time assignment, barring all unusual circumstances. Judge Devlin, the deceased incumbent, was hardly cold before the contest began for his vacancy.

Both Parties Favored Rainey

Among the persons favorably mentioned was Julian D. Rainey, attorney, who was one of the national Democratic leaders during the last two presidential campaigns.

In no time both Democrats and Republicans formed a delegation and waited on the Governor with petitions in favor of Mr. Rainey.

However, all of this intersession went for naught when the Governor made it clear that he owed his appointment to James J. Riley, white, and followed this pronouncement by forwarding his name to the council for ratification.

Whites Too Strong

From every conceivable political angle Mr. Rainey's chances seem hill. For the white men in the race against him were not only old Democrats but they had considerable voting constituencies behind them.

The latter seemingly the deciding factor for the opposition went to a man that is a protege of the most powerful Democratic organization in the city of Boston, the Hendricks Club.

Not only did this swing in circumstances result in disappointments but it revealed the decided disadvantage in not having a single strong colored Democratic organization in either Boston or the State.

Further indications of the weaknesses of disorganization are the present confusion leaders are displaying in reorganizing their forces so that they will not now lose the one remaining political plum that should rightfully be theirs before Governor Curley passes out of office January 5.

Seek to Move Bullock

The colored Democrats are complaining about the retention of Matthew W. Bullock on the parole board. While the city and State are unanimous in voting Mr. Bullock a special record during the time he has served, it is unusual politics to retain a Republican in such an appointive job while the Democrats hold control.

This practically means that Mr. Bullock has got to go. But in their zeal to push Rainey for the judgeship, colored Democrats practically forced this issue, save for one or two weak gestures.

And also while Rainey's enthusiasm to be judge was running high, it is alleged that he said he was not interested in the parole board appointment. This gave some of the lesser leaders secret hopes about this plum.

May Change Mind

Now the question arises, will Rainey have a change of mind and just how will this change be gracefully effected.

It is alleged that one of the lesser Democratic leaders approached the Governor personally about the possibility of his appointment to the parole board.

Vote Strength Not All

In the course of the discussion, it is said, the Governor suggested that Councilman Scott of Worcester, a colored Democrat that was elected from a white district, was being favorably mentioned.

To this the lesser leader is alleged to have pointed to the fact that the colored vote in Worcester was small and thus Mr. Scott was not too well known.

The Governor is supposed to have pointed to the fact that he was not deciding this issue on votes, for if he were, the Boston aspirant would not rale any too high.

Again this writer is of the opinion that most political effort is futile unless those who perform continuatively for the party in some organized voting constituency benefit thereby.

If there is to be any change in the parole board as far as Mr. Bullock is concerned, and it appears to a colored man, Rainey, if he has a change of mind, it is very likely to get the same and if this happens there is going to be a wide open split in colored Democratic ranks.

Fate of Stranded Seamen Problem to British Parliament

LONDON (ANP)—Parliament has under consideration the question of colored seamen being hired elsewhere by shipping companies, and, being paid off and left stranded in British ports.

C. G. Ammon, Labourite, brought the issue up in Parliament and expressed a notion that this action on the part of shipping companies led to increased settlement, unemployment and distress in colored communities.

According to Jerome Burchman, president of the board of trade, who is also studying the matter, the companies sought to give these stranded seamen re-employment "if they are of British nationality." He did not say directly that the attitude should be toward seamen who are natives of other countries.

Now Showing at Harlem Theatre

MAE WEST, who will be featured in her latest screen farce, "Go West, Young Man."

Mae West in Her Latest Hit Scheduled for the Harlem

There are three men in the life of Mae West in her latest starring vehicle, "Go West Young Man" which begins Friday at the Harlem Theatre for one week.

Romance number one is actor, Lyle Talbot who as an old flame who has become a prominent politician and finds it good publicity to spark with the glamorous star portrayed by Miss West. Talbot knew her when—the star knew him when they sailed him Buffalo. She thinks he's a lotta fun.

Romance number two is with tall blonde and handsome Randolph Scott, cast as farm-boy inspector of chicken laid by prize muscles. She wants him to "Go West" to Hollywood.

Plays Press Agent

Romance number three—with Warren William, playing a press agent who accompanies the star on her personal appearance trip to the movie palaces, primarily to keep her from getting married. They fight and bicker about her romances and the marriage clause in her contract. William extracts lies from all her entanglements, but somehow gets involved himself.

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Lenox Theatre to Open with Charlie Chan Film

United Theatres, Inc. will open its newest theatre, the Lenox, on Pennsylvania Avenue near Bloom Street on Christmas Day at 12:30 p.m.

This latest addition to one of the largest chains of theatres in the South is the last word in modern improvement and picture facilities.

The microphonic sound system has been installed and the reproduction of sound will make the picture attractions more enjoyable than when reproduced under the old sound system in the world's finest theatres. The house is equipped throughout.

At Race Track

The Lenox opens with "Charlie Chan at the Race Track," starring Warner Oland, who has had thrilling adventures and chills and perilous experiences with one of the most intricate murder mysteries ever filmed.

On Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, the attraction will be "The Devil is a Sissy," starring Freddie Bartholomew, Jackie Cooper and Mickey Rooney.

The Depression Is Over

By C. C. SPAULDING
President N. C. Mutual Life Ins. Co.

WITH ABUNDANT EVIDENCE OF RETURNING PROSPERITY THROUGHOUT THE NATION, WE HAVE EVERY REASON TO LOOK FORWARD WITH CONFIDENCE TO A NEW YEAR RICH IN PROMISE AND POSSIBILITY FOR LARGER ACHIEVEMENT.

As a matter of fact, the depression is over. The trouble with most of us is, we are not mentally able to accept existing trends as potential facts, notwithstanding concrete evidence every hand that the darkest hour has passed and that the sun of hope, encouragement and promise is again shining.

The year 1936 will be destined to go down in financial annals as the year of recovery. Current reports from finance and industry indicate that during the first eleven months of the year, normal conditions have returned of the substantial things of life, while others will, like the savage, be satisfied to reach only the lower shelves of life's content, to reap a harvest of transient pleasure only.

Experience Available

Let us drink deeply of the fountain of experience. The past few years have brought us hardships, trials and disappointments. The future holds every promise of hope and a fulfillment of life's most cherished aspirations. Let us profit by the past and choose for ourselves. The substantial, worthwhile things of life.

Indications Brighten

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C. C. SPAULDING
in most lines of endeavor. Results accomplished in the insurance and banking business with which I am identified substantiate this statement. Prospects for the coming year have never been brighter.

It is also gratifying to learn that business in general, and particularly that operated and managed by our people, has met the test and is today in a more prosperous condition than at any time during the past several years.

Press Organized

Never in the history of this or any other nation has our work been better organized. Have relations been better prepared or has the influence of the newspapers been more far-reaching and influential than at present.

In this era of prosperity, some will reap bountifully

MEASLES SPREAD TO NORTHWEST SECTION

The recent measles outbreak which has most affected the central section of the city spread to the northwestern area, the Health Department warned, this week.

During the previous seven-day period there were 120 cases reported. Dr. Huntington Williams, health commissioner, said, "Modern public health realty demands that every effort be made to prevent deaths from this disease." the commissioner declared and pointed out that when deaths occur they are tragedy in children under three years of age.

The problem, therefore, is minimize as far as possible during the city measles epidemic the exposure of children less than three years old to older children who may be coming down with the disease."

NIGHT LIFE IN THE CLUBS

By Knight Klubber

Christmas Greetings To My Friends

HERE'S HOW—YOUR EGGNOG: Divide yolks and whites of 12 eggs. Beat separately. Add one pound fine sugar to beaten whites and beat until stiff (meaning the eggs not you). Add yolks to whites and beat together. Stir 3/4 cup Jamaica rum. Add slowly 1½ quarts good whiskey. I quart heavy cream. I quart milk. Stir thoroughly. When serving grate nutmeg over top of each drink. Serves 20 persons.

The nite club belt is suffering from the usual so-called pre-holiday preparations. The few regular pots which have been patronizing them in all year still are, however.

The little chorine that was alleged to be implicated in that club robbery (a beer fiddle, chicken and whiskey) will not Christmas in jail because her boss is a regular guy and only handed her walking papers. Scallions is the charge that sacrificed her job for a jail.

The recent Joe Louis victory inspired many of my local fans and stirred them into action.

First a singer gets a dark option from a waitress over a prominent musician. Wow! The easy going waitress threatened Joe Louis and the wee saxophonist are said to have been a pale, pale, and to be off a vocalizing lad kayoed a musician after Monday's matinee.

Patrons of CLARK'S Madison Avenue and Dolphin Street, a host of celebrities and we uns will dedicate the new cocktail lounge on the eve of Christmas.

The lounge will specialize in high grade liquors, bottle beer and fine wines. The cocktails, just name it, will be mixed shaked and poured by experts.

If it's turkey you crave, you are invited to join one of those one-half-buck dinners. All night service to members of the Dawn Patrol.

This spot is operated by Mal Clark, one time dance promoter and sponsor, now the operator of Maryland's largest hotel.

Drop in and ask for that free gift Christmas Day.

FLASH: Last minute Christmas shoppers will find an elaborate assorted stock of wet goods for their spending at the OLD LEILAND CAFE.

Chef Pleasant will absent himself over Christmas to take a look at the first Christmas in over a dozen years. Mr. Sadie Crawford, the singing waitress, made a flying visit to New York.

Meanwhile the remaining group will carry on in grand fashion. Service by Ivie, Mamie and grandma; mixtures by Jimmy, Harry and Sam, and the big 4 all of the hospitality of Joe Blum, himself.

Radio lanes: budding pianist, Jerome Washington, the Prince of Harmony, nightly at the OLD PAUL'S CAFE, accompanying Miss Dukes, the charming vocalist. Paul's is one of the few spots in town using the kool keg system, so we are pleased and service excellent.

Harry, the mixologist, has a strong following.

The garden spot of the Strolll, is the monicker pasted on the NEW DEAL by Herman Higgs, the singing emcee, who backs up his statements with a host of talent that is top.

The rich mellow vocalizing of Mildred Payne, your favorite Ivie tunes an edamame by Helen Lynn, the versatility of the queen of piano tickers, Pinkie White, the baritone of Joe Brown and the swing of Hines and the boys.

As a surprise, last weekend, Jimmy Lancaster dropped in and aided and abetted by Helen and Pinkie, stood the patrons on their ears.

Mayfair Strolll, the largest spot on the Strolll, but when charge and cover are mentioned offered this spot will be right there with the goods.

A toast to Lillian Lorraine, the star of the OLD WONDERLAND for her rapid rise in the entertainment field and for her box office appeal. With Cowan E. Hines to do all her special arrangements, she is doing fine in creations. I find an unbeatable combo.

Dolly Savarro, most popular of the female impersonators, is another reshuffle for the women. Put him outs here. Dolly has that certain something that slays them.

We must have music, so a toast to a dozen of the best. Ivie Anderson, swing emcee, Pete Diggs, Duke Peters, Red Robinson and Tom Matthews.

After all the hubbub, one can find a quite atmosphere at the BIG APPLE, and rub shoulders with a host of Baltimore's best sportsmen, who select this spot as their favorite rendezvous. Prices are reasonable and service wonderful. Try for yourself.

Ruth Barnes has trekked off to Hagerstown to do her vocalizing. Spent a week-end there, and her swim at Shirley Warner's George Street hangout. F. Williams and Ed Preston, New Yorkers, are here. Miss Daisy last week-end.

Come around and feel feeling of wanting to get away to a place where you can relax luxuriously. Dance to hot music and be entertained in grand style, that is the VILMA TAVERN the Broell's last-stop inn. It's divine on a winter night.

Get your party together and make your dates to come here for a time. Vilma is a pleasant way. Vilma is one of the many after dark bright spots.

Ivie Anderson, the hot ivory tickler, Florine Jones, trumpeting and entertaining; Burrell on saxophone and vocals by John Smith.

You can have your Christmas liquors signed, sealed and delivered right to your door at no extra cost. Yes, tell all yer friends that Wendall extends season greetings.

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FLASH! Greetings and a hearty welcome to our family to Phil's OLD ENGLISH CAFE, Mount and Mosher Streets. This spot promises a cure for the blues with never a dull moment from the time you arrive until you make your departure. See yez there.

The BIRDS NEST is still holding its own with your columnist as em cee, and believe me I wish here and now to thank all you guys and gals for your contributions during my stay here.

Guest artists have included: Daisy Navarro, Dot McCoy, Stell Young, Dixie Johnson, Bobbie Baby Peaches, Brown Sugar, the Rea Lemon's ensemble, Joe Mel, Jeva Johnson and a host of others.

The old south end spot is starting the New Year off with a bang by giving a turkey away come Christmas Eve.

The charming Bee Bee is the chief entertainer, vocalizing in a manner that is gaining her new friends with very week-end she's booking as gorgeous as a princess.

The COMEDY CLUB is a permanent habit with most strollers due to Ike Dixon's popularity. During the year he dropped plenty shekels into this spot to make it the Avenue's most beautiful eatery.

The staff includes the natty attired Ernie Durvance, Bee Gresham, the beau brummel, Verne Hutchins as em cee, his headsaleslady and her pretty staff, Florence and Vi, the singing sharpsters, Manhattan Pearl, the talented female impersonator, the singing Tom Lane, the Boy Lemon's ensemble, Chick mixing food by Louise and Lucille, not to forget the large staff operating the grill.

Vic Hardcastle's orchestra is swinging right into the spirit of the Comedy Clubbites and wilting the plaudits of the revusical cast.

You lads and lassies surely remember the singing of Matty Fletcher. She now says some one is 24 W. Hamburg Street and see her sum 'tim' if you want to sing. The place is OLSAN'S CAFE, where they serve good wines and beer and all kinds of good eats within range of your purse.

Matlick's trio of joy swingsters include Kid Tulle, at the piano, Kid Joe Cook, banjo and Kid Reg, drums.

Dance, wine and dine every night.

4 Lose Permits for Christmas

ROBINSON RE-ELECTED

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (ANP)—William Robinson, Jacksonville attorney, was elected to succeed himself as head of the Florida Elks here this week.

GREETINGS

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CHRISTMAS PLAYS BY VA. STATE CAST

PETERSBURG, Va.—The Christmas season was ushered in at Virginia State College here by two performances in the college chapel on Friday and Saturday nights.

Friday night's activity brought forth the Virginia State Players' Guild, under the direction of Miss Felicia D. Anderson in "Scenes from the Nativity," featuring Miss Ida Madden, Miss Dorothy Taylor, William Rivelas, Frederick Malcom, Charles Tibbs, Edward Bass, Wilbur Turner, Fred Hunter and James West.

The Bishop's Candlesticks," Norman McKinnell's play, was done by a cast composed of Clarence Hall, Paul Robeson, Mamie Wright, Lillie Mae Cardwell, Jane Holmes, Samuel Giddens, and J. Thomas Richie.

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NEW YEAR'S DAY
All Boys and Carriers Will Meet at the Office at 9:30 a.m.

Charles H. Hall at his desk in the Census Bureau

A Census man knows, he doesn't have to guess about his figgers . .

Every now and then the U.S. Census reports issued by the bureau in Washington contain comparative figures showing the number of colored and white in some city, county or state.

Likely as not Charles Hall who heads the colored division of the U. S. Census Bureau had a hand in the compilation.

How many colored people over the United States in 1932?

What did they do?

How many are single or divorced?

How many have radios?

How many rent their homes?

How many living in New York were born in Texas?

These questions and hundreds of others are put up to Charles Hall in the course of a day's work and he answers them all.

36 Years in Census

Mr. Hall who is 68 years old is a native of Illinois and has worked with the Census Bureau 36 years.

His love of figures and calculations he attributes to his early school years, when figures just fascinated him. He started out as a real estate and loan operator and attributes his facility in mathematics to material aptitude.

In a typical government office, a box-like room just off one of the large work halls in the U.S. Department of Commerce building, Mr. Hall faces his secretary, Miss Bonita Dudley across a wide glass top desk, surrounded by charts, maps, file boxes, calculating machines and type writers of several sizes. Health experts say that sitting at this desk is not, but Mr. Hall holds on to his.

Friday afternoon an AFRO reporter asked him for the hardest question ever put to him, he smiled.

Two Questions He Can't Answer

"Here are two questions I've never been able to answer. A woman, from South Carolina asked me to find her a husband. Another woman sent me 50 cents, asked me to give her some 'numbers.' Bid more seriously, questions on the purchasing power of the colored man, come to me more than any other. And they are questions that cannot be answered any more definately than you can answer questions about the purchasing power of other groups in this country.

"This ability to purchase things is always changing just as conditions are always changing, and so you can't put your finger on it."

Retires in 2 Years

He's going to continue his hobby of figures and graphs, even after he retires some two years hence, when he'll work out some plans he has made at his home, 617 U Street, Northwest, where he lives with his wife, Mrs. Lena Hall.

He left the reporter in the care of a section chief, who began to explain the difference between an 1890 model hand census tabulator (that looks like a home made a clock pendulum attached) and the modern hand machine that looks like a miniature combination adding and chip beer vending gadget.

But the reporter's mind was busy trying to reconcile the Charles' Hall kept his equilibrium with so many figures going round and round in his mind.

Liberia's Gold Exports $41,000

MONROVIA, Liberia — Gold exports totaling $41,794, representing an increase of 436 per cent over the corresponding period of 1935, are reported in a statement of Liberia's trade status for the first four months of 1936.

Total exports increased 60 per cent, according to the statement, as compared with a 45 per cent increase in imports, but the trade balance is still unfavorable (imports exceed exports), as the following table shows:

	1936	1935	1936
First eight months	1935		
Exports	$1,257,238	$1,555,[illegible]	
Imports	$2,422,953	$2,[illegible]	
Balance	$1,187,715	$1,829,[illegible]	

Public Debt Decreased

The full gold public debt totals as $2,311,178.43, with "commendable progress being made in the amortization of outstanding gold bonds." So far this year, $168,263.16 has been applied to the sinking fund.

For the same time period ending, September 20, receipts were $849,238.19 and expenditures $667,364.63, leaving a current surplus of $81,865.45, which compares favorably with the relative 1935 surplus of $44,140.04.

Schools Take Jump

As a result of a 81 per cent increase over the 1935 appropriation for schools, there is noted an increase of 38 per cent in the number of schools and one of 52 per cent in enrollment.

Public health and sanitation measures have included the vaccination against smallpox of 30,000 persons and the addition of a nurse station and a child welfare and maternity clinic. The expenditure of $22,412 on public improvements has brought the total mileage of motor roads to more than 300.

HAMPTON EDITOR BECOMES PREACHER

HAMPTON INSTITUTE, Va.—Isaac Fisher, publicity secretary of Hampton Institute and editor of the Southern Workman, was ordained a minister of the Baptist Church, this week.

School Rebuked for Postponing Award

COLUMBIA S.C. (ANP)—The University of South Carolina, white, has been strongly rebuked in church and educational circles following its announcement here last week that the award to the school's football team alumnus had been postponed for a year.

Reports indicate that this action by the council was predicated upon the discovery that the oldest alumnus of the university, Dr. Johnson Gray Townsend of Sumter, an eighty-three-year-old retired minister of the M. E. Church, South, and a member of the class of 1876.

G.O.P. Leaders Approve Hamilton

CHICAGO (ANP).—Considerable satisfaction over the Republican National Committee refusal to accept the resignation of Chairman John D. M. Hamilton was evident among the representatives attending the committee's meeting at the Palmer House here on Friday.

They included Perry W. Howard, national committeeman from Mississippi; Mrs. Mary C. Booze, national committeewoman from the same State, and her husband, Eugene Booze, Roscoe Conkling Simmons, who sat with the proxy of the California member, and Robert R. Church, who held the proxy of Congressman Will Taylor of Tennessee.

Hamilton Approved

The meeting was called to decide upon a chairman for the next four years and to lay plans for wiping out a $900,000 deficit. Hamilton was retained by a vote of 4 to 2.

Mr. Howard made an effective speech during which he declared that Chairman Hamilton had demonstrated "high and liberal leadership" and further asserted that with the "ten billion dollar handicap" under which the Republicans fought, neither George Washington nor Abraham Lincoln could have been elected over Roosevelt.

Mr. Simmons urged the retention of Mr Hamilton, and stressed the importance of those in the saddle paying more attention to recalcitrants of the type of Hamilton Fish, New York Congressman, who was leading the opposition to Hamilton.

He declared that the "Old Guard" sought to take Mr. Fish and similarly dissatisfied gentlemen into their confidence.

Hits Security Act

Mr. Simmons's blade was two-edged, however, because one of the points in Mr Fish's attack on Hamilton was the assertion that if he were permitted to remain as chairman it would be interpreted by the country as meaning that the party was opposed to the social security law.

Simmons, in his talk, said adroitly that colored domestics were excluded from the law and that the social security measure should be condemned for that reason if no other.

Mrs. Booze intimated that she felt she had been grossly neglected during the late campaign. She had not been permitted as many activity as she had anticipated and had been chiefly left on the outside of the colored setup.

Expected to Quit

She had come to the session intending to resign, she said, but had become so imbued with the fervor and optimism of the gathering and the evident intention of the party to carry on vigorously that she had decided to remain in harness.

Her husband, who is said to be bitter toward the manner in which he and his help-mate were deflected prior to the November election, started to make a plea for new leadership.

Privately, he is said to have expressed the opinion that the colored end of the Republican party needs revamping entirely, with greater appeal to youth.

He was deprived of the floor through a parliamentary maneuver by Simmons, who moved a previous question and was sustained.

Church Silent

Mr. Church preserved a characteristic and deafening silence during the open sessions but was active in personal conferences about the floor. Dr. L. K. Williams, chairman of the colored division, did not attend the gathering.

Robert J. Kratky, white, of St. Louis, who was the chairman, alternated between the colored division and Hamilton's office, was said to understood to favor the development of a permanent colored organization which will carry on for the next four years.

SILENT NIGHT

Silent night, Holy night
All is calm, all is bright
Round yon Virgin mother and child
Holy Infant so tender and mild
Sleep in heavenly peace.

Clarence Johnstone, London Entertainer, Tells of

"My Friend, the King"

CHICAGO—(ANP)—Clarence Johnstone, silver-haired singer who, as a member of the internationally famous team of Layton and Johnstone, rose to become one of the highest salaried and most sought-after entertainers of the group, sat in the Associated Negro Press offices here, Tuesday, and related intimate experiences during his association with former King Edward VIII, who abdicated the throne of England last week.

Mr. Johnstone and his partner had perhaps enjoyed closer contact with the king when he was Prince of Wales than any other persons of color. An ardent admirer of the now Duke of Windsor, Mr. Johnstone praised the former monarch as a high-minded, though democratic, royalist — human, fun-loving, generous, and lovable.

Met Prince in Florida

Mr. Johnstone related how he and Layton had first met the prince. Sir Thomas Lipton, Lord and Lady Mountbatten, and The Right Honorable Mr. and Mrs. Worton who had heard them perform in Florida, had all insisted that they invade the Continent.

They sailed aboard the Orbita and while still in mid-sea, were offered an engagement at the Quadrant Club, then one of the smaller but most exclusive entertainment spots in London. It was the sort of establishment which was scarcely larger than a drawing room, and where a champagne brought $10 a bottle, and through whose portals only the aristocratic were supposed to pass.

Layton and Johnstone, who did a piano and song turn in evening dress, and who presented a refined technique different from that employed by any of the artists whom Londoners had seen, were a sensation on their opening night. The small club was so packed that Johnstone, finishing his act and threading his way out, was compelled to step over and around some of the guests.

A Tug on Coat Tails

A tug at his coat tails caused him to turn, and he saw one of the aristocratic ladies who had invited him to come to England. Seated next to her, and on the floor, was his Royal Highness. She invited him to go to her home for a small after party to entertain some of the guests who had applauded the Mams's work so enthusiastically. The lady in question had expressed appreciation and who was the guest of honor at the after party was the Prince of Wales. He had placed his stamp of approval upon the newcomers from America, and they were made.

Engagements followed swiftly. The best theatres and clubs of the Continent were thrown open to them. Frequently, they were called to entertain him and his friends among whom were many of the notables whose names have been crowding the front pages of the newspapers of the world for the past fortnight.

The prince's appreciation of their art continued to manifest itself, and when he was going abroad on his renowned world tour a few years ago, he happened to mention in Johnstone's hearing the name of his favorite air. Johnstone and Layton had

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tomorrow morning, and it's late afternoon now."

"Can't help that," drawled Layton.

The phonograph company was telephoned, directors, managers, underling, all were cajoled, threatened, pleaded with. And by keeping the works open until dawn—when Mr. Johnstone himself traveled to the ship—the new record was taken, in perfect condition, to the prince.

"I still have only the most profound respect and appreciation for the king," said Mr. Johnstone. "He's a nobleman in every sense of the word, and I trust that his future, which now seems troubled, will be fraught with only love and happiness."

To Return to England

Mr. Johnstone is residing in Chicago temporarily while he is rehearsing with his new partner, James C. Elliott. Johnstone and Layton dissolved partnership nearly a year ago after twelve years of singing duets on the Continent, during which they played frequently before royalty, and their annual income rose from as high as a half million dollars a year. Johnstone then sent to America for Jules Bledsoe with whom he appeared for a brief six months.

Searching the ideal pagtner, he returned to America to look for Elliott, with whom he had formerly worked. Cables had failed to reveal Elliott's whereabouts. Johnstone finally found him in Chicago where he had come after he returned from Europe some time ago. The duo expect to embark for England after polishing up Europe and doing some concert and variety engagements in America.

The Last Invitation

Another glimpse of the prince which Mr. Johnstone related was particularly touching. He and Layton were so appreciative of the doorway to success which the prince's patronage had opened to them that they conceived the idea of refusing to accept further pay for their services when just before the king left.

It was their hope that when he inquired why they did not wish pay, they would be able to express their gratitude and to tell him that they wished he might present them with some trinket, a medallion, a pair of cuff buttons, or an autographed photograph which they might hand down to posterity. They, therefore, told the prince's equerry, when they next appeared, that they would accept no pay.

But the prince misunderstood their attitude, perhaps attributing it to the fact that because they were in the heyday of success it had turned their heads and they thought themselves too exalted to accept remuneration. They never played at St. James's Palace again.

St James's Palace, then the residence of the prince, to a special gramophone record of it made. The day before his Royal Highness's departure, Johnstone went to present it. The prince received him, and heard the singer, bowing low, offered his gift. The prince held out his hand, and somehow the celluloid disc slipped.

Broken Record

"People may talk of a thing smashing into a thousand pieces, but believe me, that record broke into a million," said Johnstone as he described the incident.

Johnstone rushed in mad haste to his partner, "What'll we do?" he demanded. "Can't have the prince disappointed."

"Make another," said Turner Layton.

"Another?" gasped Johnstone. "But the prince sails

Children's Worker

MRS. VIRGINIA W. CANADY, of Atlanta, Ga., who has been appointed head resident worker of the Lucile Cheney Children's Home of Gary, Ind.

BLIND; OPERATES BROOM FACTORY

AKRON, Ohio (ANP)—Henry Garrett, 28, and almost completely blind, operated a successful broom factory here, using four different types of modern machinery.

LOVE MART

BALTIMORE—Youth and beauty, contrary to belief, run a poor second to experience and common sense when it comes to love and romance, Albertine Ashe, editor of the Lonesome Hearts column, said here this week.

The middle-aged and the very young seem the most heart hungry, Miss Ashe declared. In the latter cases it is plainly a lack of understanding on the parts of parents and guardians, and in the former cases, common sense and a desire for permanency play a great part.

Selecting some of the thousands of letters received by her, Miss Ashe pointed out:

SEARCH FOR A HOME

"Persons of 60 years and older, mix a curious blend of pathos with desire for companionship and a home. Now for instance take this letter:

"I am looking for a good husband, who is lonesome and wants a good house wife. Mr. M. writes, I am 5 feet 6 inches tall, weigh 134 pounds, and light brown skin. The man I would like to meet must be a Christian and about 50 years old. He must have a home and job.

70-YEAR-OLD ROMANTIC

"I am seventy years old," writes Hopeful, and would like to correspond with a man between the ages of 60 and 80, who is willing to enjoy a respectful, quiet life. I trust he a Christian, with a reliable income, and possess a good disposition. I am interested in matrimony.

SEEKS AFFECTION

"I am a widow, age 42 years and of medium brown complexion, have dark brown eyes and long hair and weigh 160 pounds, and am nice looking" writes Bessie.

"I am kind, home-loving, affectionate.

"I like church and am a singer on the choir. I would like to meet a man 50 or 60 years of age in good health and a good Christian. I'd like him to be dark-brown skin, weight 170 to 180."

A woman who has reached maturity knows exactly what she wants in a mate and is not shy in asking that the man meet her requirements. Miss Ashe also shows.

"For instance

WANTS GOOD SPORT

"I would like to correspond with some nice man between the ages of 44 or 50 years of age, who is nice looking, is not opposed to drinking, smoking or dancing. I am a good looking and some friendly gal, writes Peggy.

"I am a widow of 44, have a grown daughter and son in college and live with my mother. I don't smoke or drink or play cards, but I do not mind others doing so, and do not want a man who will be cranky about such things.

"I am a medium light brown skin, have grayish brown eyes, and weigh 160 pounds. Look at I am a capable woman and am not especially looking for a husband but would like a good steel friend. Also

WANTS AGREEABLE COMPANION

"I a a widow, age 40 years' writes Minie, 'I have a comfortable home and am considered a very good cook. I would like