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Managerial post goes to Eddie Cole

WASHINGTON — Eddie Cole has been made assistant manager of the Beverly Theater in Northeast Washington.

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WORLD'S FAIR VOCALIST—Visitors to the World's Fair at Brussels, Belgium this summer will see and hear lovely Ethel Ennis of Baltimore, booked to leave May 3 for an European tour with the Benny Goodman orchestra.

Songstress Ethel Ennis billed for European tour

Ethel Ennis opened her front door and sang a few sweet, mellow, and jazzy notes to the birds and to the passers-by.

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If not the whole world, then a representative number will hear her at the World's Fair in Brussels.

Baltimore's own songbird has been billed for a two-month tour with another of America's top-notchers, Benny Goodman, who selected Miss Ennis from a slew of hopefuls who just didn't make the grade.

MISS ENNIS said she didn't even know she had an audition with the veteran band leader until the last minute.

"While we were recording in New York (for "Change of Scenery," her latest album for Capitol), she explained, 'Pop-sie,' heard that Benny Goodman was looking for a photographer. Ethel met at her recording sessions who was captured by her smooth, friendly voice.

Ethel said she went through an audition with Goodman in New York.

"I won't be excited and celebrate until it's all over, she said with no visible signs of emotion.

Like all artists Ethel is worried about "what the critics will say." She confessed, it will be easier for her to "get excited when it's over because then I can relax."

For the past three weeks Ethel has kept up a hectic schedule.

From Tuesday to Thursday she is in New York for rehersals with Goodman and on the week-end, she is back in Baltimore at the Red Fox, Pennsylvania Ave. and Fulton where she has charmed listeners with her sultry, sophisticated voice for three years.

THE STOPS on the European tour will include Stockholm, Sweden; Copenhagen, Denmark; Oslo, Norway; Hamberg, Dusseldorf, Hanover, Berlin, Frankfort and Stutgart, in Germany.

Amsterdam, in the Netherlands and Vienna, Austria.

Then last, to Belgium for the World's Fair at Brussels.

The only preparation Ethel has made for the tour is for her wardrobe which must be "very sweet and American-like," she says.

Ethel says her wardrobe should help her typify the all-American girl and at the time of the interview, she was preparing to dash off to her designer for a fitting.

THE SINGER and her bubby Jacques Leeds, a popular attorney, were also in the midst of packing household effects that poor hubby will have no time for while his wife is away.

Asked what he intended to do while she was away, Mr. Leeds answered, "I guess I'll take advantage of my 'Y' membership and work on some of the chapters in my book, 'you-get-time-file.'"

He will stay with his mother until Ethel returns in August.

The Leeds have been married for four months.

Mrs. Leeds began her singing career at seven with piano lessons, but she has never had a formal singing lesson in her life.

She started singing professionally when she was 12 for private affairs and at seventeen, she began singing in night clubs.

Nightclub singing led her to a talent contest from which she gained a spot on the Paul Whiteman Show in Philadelphia.

EHTEL HAS written songs and one of them, "Little Boy," was recorded by Little Sylvia." Now of the "Mickey and Sylvia Duo, Martha Tilton, Evelyn Knigh and Carrie Rich, Mrs. Leed's mother, Mrs. Narabelle Ennis, is organist at Amos Methodist Church and Ethel used to substitute for her mother as Sunday School pianist.

Ethel's brother, Andrew, is a saxophonist.

Mrs. Leeds made her way into the limelight three years ago when she opened an engagement at the Red Fox. The owner, George Fox, helped develop her into the musical personality she is today.

Let's hope her European tour with Goodman will catapult her to even bigger things.

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Musicians, entertainers plan benefit for Ruffin

WASHINGTON — Washington musicians and entertainers are joining together for a benefit for Calvin "Hom' Dogg" Ruffin, vocalist, pianist and father of seven, who has been hospitalized for five weeks.

The benefit is slated for Monday evening at Charles Hotel with every prominent entertainer in the city scheduled to do his bit.

Stricken five week ago, Ruffin regretfully is now on the way to recovery. He is a native Washingtonian. A top blues singer, he has performed in most of the city's leading clubs.

THE COMMITTEE in charge of the benefit includes Michael Angelo Graham, Booker Coleman, John Anderson, Jessie Ricks and William (Bill) Morgan.

Others who will be featured in the benefit are Vivian Burke, Lucille (Miss Peabody) Hall, the Earls Quintet, the Starlighters, Raymond Reeder, Jimmy McPhail, Big Bea Thompson, Chuck Rocker All Stars, Sterly Singleton; Freddie (Mr. Skins) Paddcliffe, Freddie (Keys and Eyers) Johnson, Jim Massey, Bill Stewart, John Stewart, Dolores Proctor, Alfonso Williams, Bud Lowery Maicmon, Kitty Hines, Ricker Henderson and Chris Holmes Jazz Professors.

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72 Harlem groups support Powell, defy Tammany rule

By LOUIS F. LOMAX

NEW YORK — Colored leadership abounded a loud defiance of Tammany Hall Saturday.

One hundred and ninety Harlemites, representing 72 organizations with an aggregate membership of 177,000 persons, met Saturday to organize the Greater New York Leadership Council.

The meeting was sparked by Congressman Adam Clayton Powell's controversial career day session was completed the leaders voted a ringing denouncement of political bosses in New York.

THE CONFERENCE was easily the greatest triumph of Powell's controversial career. Approval of Powell and defiance of Tammany Hall ran throughout the meeting.

Significantly, neither Manhattan Borough President Hulan Jack nor colored City Councilman Earl Brown was present for the meeting.

A Philip Randolph and Mrs. Ann Hedgeman headed the list of speakers who praised Powell for the conference and issued calls for colored people to register in unprecedented numbers.

THE SIGNIFICANCE of Saturday's meeting lay in the fact that it represents the first time colored leaders in New York have come together and cut across party lines to issue a unified protest over the way colored voters are neglected both in terms of patronage and in terms of relief from racial aggravation?

Setting yet another precedent, the Powell group set in motion a special program to integrate puerto Ricans into the Leadership Conference.

The Saturday's conference moved beyond the customary speech by Mr. Powell.

THE GROUP demanded that at least one colored man be named by the Major Parties to run for one of the state-wide offices in the coming elections.

It asked that more colored and Puerto Rican Judges be named to various benches.

The first full meeting of the conference will be on April 17. Montgomery, Ala., is scheduled to be the nucleus of an all-out drive to register colored voters in the New York area.

Dr. Martin Luther King of Atlanta, who was invited to address the group, and the consensus is that the group will be

Army's 'failure' is criticized by Powell

By BAKER E. MORTEN

WASHINGTON — The Army's failure to protect all soldiers equally was castigated, Friday, by Rep. Adam C. Powell after he learned that a colored sergeant and his German wife had been ordered out of Mississippi.

Sgt. Johnny Wheeler was chased from the state and warned to stay out after he brought his wife to Hattiesburg, Miss., to meet his parents.

Sgt. Walker, stationed in Germany, for five years, was reassigned to Fort Ord in California and had stopped off to visit his parents when the incident occurred.

THE SOLDIER was given the warning by Jones County Attorney Leonard Melvin who stated:

"Citizens of the county called the situation to our attention. The couple were seen riding around together, all over the county and in various places together.

"Officers told them it was against the law for them to live here together."

Mr. Powell berated what he called "The Federal Government's impotency" to protect a soldier after he has left a given base.

"If we had Section Three of the Civil Rights Act, is would be of great help in the matter," Powell declared.

He said a measure he sponsored to abolish discrimination in the National Guard and prevent state governors from using the guard to defy Federal court orders, would also aid in correcting some military protection shortcomings.

"This action in Mississippi against an American soldier in uniform points to the absolute need for more civil rights legislation," he emphasized.

In other Washington quarters, Rep. Charles C. Diggs (D., Mich.) tied of the case.

"It's a horrible situation in that it does not fall within the jurisdiction of the Army.

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Civilian Aide James C. Evans told the AFRO:

"Sgt. Wheeler was not stationed in Mississippi. He was visiting on his own volition and the Army was subject to local authority.

"It's a constitutional thing that the Army can't do a thing about.

"ON BASE, the Army can protect him, but off — base, your hands are tied. There is a civil right law, but it is not with the Army.

"The arguments here is with the state of Mississippi. We would never send a soldier situated like Sgt. Wheeler into a state such as Mississippi."

Why is it that the Army can protect its men overseas, but can't do it at home, Mr. Evans was asked.

"We don't have jurisdiction over the sovereign states. They are not occupied territories and are self - governing territories to constitutional stipulations," Evans declared.

Later in the week "we have to argue with someone on that point and yet there's nothing we can do."

"It's shameful, that Sgt. Wheeler is there at home overseas while he is in Mississippi."

New U.S. policy for Africa urged

ATLANTA — Positive support by the United States for the liberation struggle of African and Asian peoples was called for by Dr. L. D. Reddick, speaking at the interracial Hungry Club here last Wednesday.

Up to now the United States has not been able to come out openly in support of colonial peoples who are fighting for their freedom because America has needed the support of mother countries of these colonies as a buffer zone against Russia.

But the conquest of outer space by the satellites, declared Dr. Reddick, has made military strategy obsolete.

THE SAME ROCKETS that launched the Sputniks and Explorer can also shoot intercontinental missiles.

Russia can now shoot such missiles at us directly from its own territories and we can shoot back at her from the United States. We no longer need to depend upon NATO and Western Europe. They cannot save us.

In a shift in military strategy, the speaker went on, means that we are now free to direct our foreign policy and come out openly on behalf of the colonial and semi - colonial peoples of Asia who are battling for national independence.

Agency to fill huge studio need

HOLLYWOOD — Due, to a need which exists in the motion picture and television industries to discover new talent, the Lil Cumber Attractions Agency is compiling a register of actors, actresses, dancers and variety acts with dramatic training and experience.

Mrs. Cumber, president of the agency, stated that such a compilation will lead to more colored people being utilized in the industry as little or no effort will have to be put forth to secure them.

The agency, which has been in existence for the past two years, is affiliated with the Screen Actors Guild, The American Federation of Musicians and the American Guild of Variety Artists.

Contracto claims top building mark

NEW YORK—The builder of the Lenox Terrace apartment development in Harlem finished last week that a construction record was set in erecting the reinforced concrete superstructures of the first three 16-story buildings in the $20,000,000 project.

Hyman R. Shapiro said that the 54 floor slabs, 18 in each building, together with the supporting columns were poured in exactly 54 working days. He quoted his concrete contractor, Joseph Dilella, president of the Dio Concrete Corp., as saying this was a record for any 30 foot comparable size in the New York area.

Each building measures 232 by 78 feet and close to a million cubic feet of concrete was required. A special mixture was used to achieve quick setting and high early strength to permit forms to be removed in 24 hours. The forms also were specially designed so they could be removed without disturbing temporary wood supports under floor spans.

The floor-a-day schedule was maintained even in sub-freezing weather through the use of 400 propane heaters and by enclosing each floor in canvas as soon as forms were in place.

Kenneth Moore dies after illness

ROXBURY, Mass.—Kenneth Moore of 38 Norfolk St., died after a long illness at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Jamaica Plain of a heart attack.

The Rev. Roger Williams, pastor of the Massachusetts Baptist Church, Cambridge, officiated at services held at the New Hope Baptist Church. A military burial was held at Mount Hope Cemetery.

Mr. Moore was a native of New Bradford, Mass; he was the son of the late James and Martha Moore; he came to this city in 1925. In 1938 he married the former Mrs. Frances H. Downs of Woburn, Mass.

He leaves his wife, Mrs. Mr. Frances Moore; step children, Harold Downs Jr., and Mrs. Joseph Langhn (the former Hester Downs) of Nashville, Tenn.; two sisters, Mrs. Rose Moore of Brooklyn, N.Y. and Mrs. Elsie Jones of New Bedford, Mass.; two brothers, Melvin Mooty of New York and James Moore of Boston; two grandchildren, four nieces and seven nephews.

New York history club holds hotel breakfast

NEW YORK — The New York Branch of the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History is grateful for the sunshine of the past Sunday, the day of the postponed breakfast, which it was impossible for enthusiastic guests to crowd the banquet hall of the Belmont Plaza Hotel.

In greeting the guests, Mrs. Gertrude Robinson, president of the association, thanked them for their demonstration of deep interest and loyalty.

Alma V. John of 8 W. 131 St. was in charge of program moved with expediency and finesse.

After the reading of proclamations from the governor and the mayor of New York by Mrs. Florence Henderson, forward the message from the president, Mrs. Robinson and Mrs. Proud American Day Speaker, by the chairman of Proud American Day, Goetrude Parthenia McBroom. A solo by Mrs. Kemp, with Carrol Hollister, accompanist, preceded a speech by Dr. George Shepherd, author of Brooklyn College on "Africa Today."

Dr. Shepherd's two years work with Commonwealth in South Africa and his 1956, special assignment in Kenya, highlighted his speech. Dr. Shepherd is author of "They Walked in Darkness." Mr. Iberia of Kenya, a student at The New School, gave remarks on his native country.

DR. JAMES E. ALLEN spoke on behalf and announcements of the association." Mrs. Charles Griffin of Pai Delta Kappa Sorority, made a presentation of documents of the family history of Patrick Reason, and indentured servant of New York, which will be presented to the Schomburg Collection. After introduction of these recently found history groups, the Long Branch, N.J., the St. Paul Community Church, N.Y., and the Jamaica, L.I., clubs. The guests were invited to the exhibit of pictures of Carter G. Woodson, Frederick Douglass, Abraham Lincoln, Carver, Bunche, and other distinguished colored benefactors.

Teen agers from the Jamaica History Club, under the guidance of Miss Jean Geigh, contributed a series of paintings and sketches of African Art. Particularly conspicuous was a poster dedicated to Dr. Carter G. Woodson.

John H. Clarke was in charge of the book and general literature table.

Three new courses

WASHINGTON — The Recreation Department announced recently the beginning of three new classes, — finance, ceramics and photography — to be held at Mason Center, Wis. Ave. and Calvert St., N.W.

THE CRADLE OF VICTORY is given to the new "Miss Tennessee State University" of 1958-59, Tennessean Henry Alice Lowery, junior, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lowery of Saltillo, Tenn. Support from left is given by Dayton, Ohio's Wilbur Suesberry, vice president of the University's student council. Support from right is from the newly elected president of the student council, William P. Greer of Miami, Fla.

Student explains 'color curtain'

BOSTON, Mass. — Chandran Devesen, a special student at Harvard College, spoke to several hundred women at the 58th annual meeting and spring assembly of the 1,800 strong Massachusetts Council of Churches.

The "color curtain" is the most divisive barrier in the world, the Indian Christian teacher told the United Church Women. Racialism was one reason why the Bandung Conference appeared to be more critical of the West than of Communism.

THERE IS an unfortunate feeling among the colored races that the white races will never shed their assumptions of superiority. The racial conflict also makes for a difference in perspective which was brought out by the Hungarian crisis.

The West was naturally more concerned about Hungary than about Egypt. Asia was naturally more concerned about Egypt. People of different cultures and religions must learn to work together if the situation is to change.

We cannot claim to be ready for a new world if we do nothing about changing some of the features of the communities in which we live," Devesen said.

Kennedy lauds Freedom House as exponent of democracy

"At a time when the United States is desperately engaged in a competitive race for survival with the Soviet Union, it is most important that every one in this country should have his talents developed to the maximum," said Senator John F. Kennedy, Sunday, in an address at Freedom House Civic Center.

"Denial of equal opportunity penalizes us all" said the Senator. "What we must foresee and devise is the application of new techniques and new methods in all the fields involving human rights which will best accomplish a new set of objectives," he added.

Senator Kennedy spoke on the occasion of the tenth anniversary of Freedom House's non-sectarian, interracial service to the Greater Boston community. He noted that Freedom House's unique experiment "is a laboratory for democratic living has attracted wide notice throughout the country.

CHAIRMAN OF THE meeting was Boston City Councilor Edward J. McCormack Jr., co-chairman of the Freedom House Campaign. Also on the speaking program were Herbert A. Tucker, national president of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, co-chairman of the fund drive, David E. Lane, president of the Freedom House Board, and Mrs. Frances Fox Kinks, a member of the Board.

Frank W. Morris Jr., Chief of Development, Massachusetts Housing Authority, headed the reception committee.

A longtime supporter of Freedom House, the Massachusetts Senator spoke of the important efforts of Freedom House in combating juvenile delinquency, developing programs of urban renewal and community conservation. He also noted that only twelve states have enacted civil rights legislation and emphasized that "we can no longer sanction the segregation in our public schools which has given rise to anonymous with unequal education."

Freedom House stands in the forefront of these efforts, he said.

"If Freedom House always has this significance with the community of Greater Boston then it will be a community effort which was well worth the understanding and one which today I endorse sincerely and recommend to every community in this country."

AMONG THOSE ATTENDING the anniversary celebration of the civic center was Mrs. Virginia Battle of Senator Kennedy's staff Mrs. Battle is the first colored woman to be appointed to a staff position by a senator in the history of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Also attending the observance were Francis X Morrissey, Senator Kennedy's Chief Secretary, and Robert Morris, member of the Senator's staff.

After the program in the civic center, Senator Kennedy was guest of honor at a reception by the Board of Trustees of Freedom House.

'Prophet' convicted, faces prison stretch

"Prophet John the Conqueror" and his assistant, Mrs. Mabel Palmer both pleaded guilty, Thursday, to charges of violating postal regulations by sending "blessings" through the mails.

The case has been pending since, Monday, in the U.S. District Court with Judge Frank I. Van Dusen presiding.

Mrs. Palmer was given a three — month prison term, a $25 fine and placed on probation for five years.

SENTENCE WAS deferred for the Prophet pending a report to the judge of his background and business activities.

The trial was delayed since Monday because Garfield Leroy Graves, the Prophet, whose real name is Jack Pittman, was engaged with another case.

In the meantime, witnesses from Ohio, Tennessee, South Carolina, Georgia and New York as well as Philadelphia, were on hand waiting to testify, who had availed themselves of Prophet John's services, and representatives of newspapers and magazines in which the Prophet John advertisements had been published.

The change of plea from "not guilty" to "guilty" made testimony unnecessary. The jury, selected on Wednesday, was dismissed.

While this case was pending in the U.S. District Court, Mrs. Palmer was convicted Monday in the Court of Common Pleas for whiskey violations. She drew a 90-day term in Holmesburg prison.

Upon pleading guilty in the federal case, Thursday, she was lectured by Judge Van Dusen as he imposed sentence. The prison term in this case will be served in connection with the liquor violation conviction, so she will be jailed for only the one 90-day period.

The judge said he was taking into consideration the fact that Mrs. Palmer has an 18-year-old son at home. He indicated the Prophet John's sentence may be deferred until Mrs. Palmer is released.

THE COUPLE lives at 2222 N. 19th St. and maintaining business offices in NYC.

In the role of prosecution was Assistant U.S. Attorney Bernard F. Skearn.

Butler acts to save bill that chains high court

Sen. John M. Butler (R., Md.) Monday offered a series of amendments designed to save the Jenner bill from defeat.

The Jenner bill would curb the jurisdiction of the U.S. Supreme Court and could have unfavorable effects on NAACP lawyers in the South.

A majority of the Senate Judiciary Committee was set to kill the measure when Butler offered his amendments and a vote on the bill was postponed.

SEN. WILLIAM E. JENNER (R., Ind.), sponsor of the Jenner bill, indicated he would accept the amendments because one of them embodies the right of Congress to strip the high court of its jurisdiction in review cases in certain areas.

The other Butler amendments would reverse the effects of recent Supreme Court decisions in security and subversive cases by spelling out the intent of Congress, instead of depriving the court of appellate jurisdiction in such cases.

Butler said his first amendment would "preserve the principle that Congress has power to curb the Supreme Court's jurisdiction beyond its proper sphere while improving application of the principle to the one area in which there can be no substantial argument, that right of each sovereign state to decide who may practice law in its courts.

Under this amendment, it appears that southern states would be free to bar NAACP lawyers from practicing in their courts — an objective which they are now seeking through threats of disbarment proceedings — and there could be no appeal to the federal courts.

THE OTHER Butler amendments, instead of limiting the appellate jurisdiction of the Supreme Court, would:

1. Give congressional committees and their staffs "such necessary and pertinent for witnesses and cite them for contempt in case of refusal to answer."

2. Give all government department heads the power to fire a federal employee without recourse to the nature of his employment, in the interest of national security. The court had ruled that the discharge power applied only to employees holding "sensitive" jobs.

3. Provide that no act of Congress in any field would operate to exclude any state law on the same subject matter unless express provision is stated to that effect.

Methodist bishops okay Central District merger

CHICAGO — The bishops of the all-colored Central Jurisdiction of the Methodist Church last week issued an official statement favoring the abolition of their jurisdiction.

The prelates agreed to the dissolution of the order and its merger into five other geographical jurisdictions as provided by the amendments adopted by the denomination's last General Conference.

In favoring the "eventual" action, however, the bishops cautioned against haste in abolishing the district.

THE STATEMENT said churches and conferences of the jurisdiction must be encouraged to reamin in the Central Jurisdiction, until "it is clear they will be justly welcomed."

"We approve the so-called open-door policy by which these conferences will be merged into the other five geographical jurisdictions when and as both groups are ready for such action."

"The bishops' cautious approach has met with criticism from several sources, according to the Central Christian Advocate, official publication of the Central Jurisdiction.

In a current issue, the Advocate carried the bishops' statement in an editorial praising their prudence and reasoning in hammering out what appears to be "a compromise" of differing views on the question.

In part, the prelates' opinion reads, "We are in favor of the eventual abolition of the Central Jurisdiction.

Local NAACP units urged to view plans

NEW YORK — Local units of the NAACP are urged to meet with the planning commission in their respective communities with a view to developing programs of action to eliminate residential segregation.

In one of a series of leaflets prepared by the association's housing department and branches, Madison S. Jones, special assistant of housing, calls for consultation between branch officers and planning commissioners to discuss various phases of the city's master plan.

"Intelligent planning," the leaflet asserts "is the key to a successful urban renewal and redevelopment program."

THE NAACP units are urged particularly to scrutinize the master plan with reference to trends, intra - community expansion, zoning, community facilities such as schools and hospitals, and annexation of county property.

Be careful to make inquiry relative to intra - community expansion," the leaflet warns. "By this we mean studying the existing colored areas on the map to find out what the new plans call for concerning density not only in the existing areas, but also in surrounding areas which might conceivably be brought into the section."

CITY AND community planning, Mr. Jones points out, "is a complex problem. But study of the subject will afford an opportunity to bring to light and publicize the evils of racial segregation."

"The areas to which colored people are confined," he indicates, "often lack code enforcement, proper health and as a result, deteriorate rapidly."

Another recently published NAACP housing leaflet calls for activity to secure enactment of local and state fair housing practices legislation.

In sponsorship of such legislation, the branches are urged to seek the cooperation "of many other groups such as labor unions, churches, fraternal organizations, Greek letter societies, and citizens housing groups."

Fifteen young dope addicts miss death

By LOUIS E. LOMAX

NEW YORK — Fifteen youthful dope addicts narrowly escaped death here Tuesday when they broke into a furniture shop and drank several gallons of wood alcohol.

The youths are all students at the North Bothers Island School near New York which cares for young dope addicts.

According to spokesmen for the school, the youths broke into the school furniture shop and stole the alcohol. One spokesman said:

"But for the fact that there was only five per cent alcohol in that mixture they all would have been dead."

EVEN SO, the youths — five Puerto Ricans, three colored and seven whites — were rushed to New York's Lincoln Hospital for further treatment.

After being treated at Lincoln, the youths eluded hospital officials and escaped in a taxi. They were all dressed in pajamas and were able to get rides in taxis by telling taxi drivers they were en route to a pajama party.

However, the police were alerted and the youths were all recaptured after a few hours.

ALL BUT one of the youths is now reported to be in good condition. Hospital authorities refused to identify of the seriously affected youth, either by name or race. However, a spokesman told the AFRO that the youth would recover.

The incident comes in the wake of a series of wood alcohol poisonings that have beset New York during the past month.

Three weeks ago, more than fifteen Puerto Ricans died after drinking "home brew" made out of stolen wood alcohol.

One man confessed stealing the lethal alcohol from a nearby New Jersey mill and is now under man slaughter indictments.

Roach poison fatal to St. Louisan

ST. LOUIS (NNPA) — An attractive Washington University secretary returned home with her husband, early Sunday morning, after a night of merry making, celebrating her 26th birthday.

Minutes later, according to her grief - stricken husband, she was dead, the victim of a fatal dose of roach poison.

Mrs. Anna Louise Woodson, who lived at 1104-A N. Pendleton St., died from the effects of the poison some five hours later at Homer Phillips Hospital.

THE HUSBAND, Arthur Woodson, night manager at the 904 Tavern, gave police the following detail:

Woodson said he and his wife came home about 2:30 a.m., Sunday morning, and he went straight to bed. His wife was in the kitchen with the door shut between the kitchen and bedroom.

A few minutes later, the husband said his wife came to the bed and asked him whether he loved her, then said, she had taken something. Woodson said he told his wife to stop playing and let him sleep.

He said Anna Woodson left the bedroom and went through the kitchen to the bathroom where she started getting sick. Running to her, the husband said the woman told him she had taken the poison.

Sen. Case asks prejudice end

SCARSDALE, N.Y. — Sen. Clifford P. Case (Rep., N.J.) appealed this week for an attack on racial discrimination on much broader grounds.

America must be cleansed, he said, of the weakening stain of prejudice.

In a speech before the annual Scarsdale dinner for the anti defamation League of the New Jersey Republican elected a failure to cut through the so phisticated arguments that cloud the issue to the moral principles that lie at the heart of the ideal of equality."

He added: "It has long seemed strange to me that the problem of discrimination in American life has evoked so little expression of moral concern. Occasional voices have been raised, but these have been the exception to the rule."

'We'll put 3 million acres in Soil Bank'

A. S. Bacon, Georgia supervisor of extension work, says Mr. and Mrs. Cooney first put land in the Soil Bank last year, when they "banked" four acres of cotton, four of land two acres of tobacco land — all of their allotment of these crops.

THEY RECEIVED rental payments to help them maintain their income while resting the land surplus production and letting it be restored for use when needed.

But they didn't rely on Soil Bank payments alone. They raised and sold 80 hogs, a half dozen calves, 8,000 watermelons, and seven tons of peanuts, he points out.

Music convention headquarters shifted

PHILADELPHIA (ANP) — Due to the fact that the management of this city's Broadwood Hotel has changed hands, the headquarters of the 1958 convention of the National Association Negro Musicians Inc., scheduled for August 16-22, will be held at the Benjamin Franklin Hotel, 8th and Chestnut Streets.

GUY RODGERS IS HELD OUTSTANDING

PHILADELPHIA — Twenty-one seniors including Guy Rodgers and three special student were named this week "Outstanding Students" by Dr. Gertrude D. Dubuoy, dean of women, and Dr. Carl M. Gross, dean of men, of Temple University.

The annual honors are bestowed on those who, in the opinion of the university officials have contributed the most to the school through their leadership ability, citizenship and scholastic achievements.