WHEN YOU FINISH READING YOUR AFRO PASS IT ALONG TO A FRIEND

Epicureans race through week end of fun, business

By LULA JONES GARRETT

The Baltimore chapter of National Epicureans, not only won, but placed and showed in the race of hostessing the seventh annual conclave, here, over the week end.

All of this horsey talk because "the Eppies" patterned the conclave on this town's famous Preakness . . . from the feed bag kits to the tip sheet programs.

From the invitations to their "Preakness Prep" (opening formal dance) to the conclave organ which listed events under the headings of Entries, Warm - Up, At the Post, Stallion Roundup, In the Stretch and Victory Gala . . . the whole batch of their printings decorated with a racing motif.

The hostesses lodged their guests in four of the town's hotels: the Sheaton - Belvedere, the Comedy, the Congress and Clark's.

Their parties in the lounge of the Sheraton - Belvedere (where we've been kept guessing on the integration angle) brought only a lot of eye-hailing at the fine clothes worn by the girls, who not only togged down for the fetes but for the meals in the dining room.

There were also some amazed looks on the brows of other guests at the Congress (where we just had never checked) and plenty of hospitality at Clarks (now in its new quarters on Eutaw Place and at the Comedy (which we hfve heretofore thought of chiefly in its entertainment role).

THE FACT IS there were clothes worth eyeballing right around the Epicureans' calendar.

At the "Preakness Prep," held in Unity Hall, Friday evening . . . where King Drapery orchestra poured out the lyrics, where Baltimore Eppies plied guests with beverages from pennant marked tables, dined from a horse - shoe shaped smorgasbord decked with flowers, the fashion show was on.

Edna Rose, of Norfolk, Va., who designs her own gowns, was breath - taking in a chartreuse chiffon baloon edged with pink rosebuds under at bottom, over chartreuse lame sheath. Her accessories were rhinestone, Her husband, Joe, he's a Norfolk contractor, wore a plaid evening jacket with formal Bermuda shorts.

And Elva Mathews's (this town) trapeze in green and white print brought a lot of comment . . . as did Blanche Hubbard's (New York) red cotton sheath, flaunting a red and white polka dot stole in intricate drape about the neck.

Kitty Cole, of Washington, out - going national president, chose ruffled white lace, red flower trimmed, a rhinestone tiarra for the affair and Kathryn Douglas (Norfolk) silver lame sheath with criss - cross neck.

At their "At the Post" luncheon in Hiram Grand Lodge Hall, Saturday, where they were greeted by Senator Harry Cole, shown an array of Mrs. Robert Croxton's original hats, local president Barbara Bennett charmed onlookers in a floral sheath under solid orange coat with a chapeaux of the same material as the sheath.

And Thelma Johnson, wore tierred beige sheath with matching hat . . . and Edna Rose in another of her own designs: a flowered trapeze coat with matching chemise and hat, wowed 'em again. And for smart, simple good looks, Merita Stokes scored in navy dress-maker suit with chartreuse accessories.

At the same time their "Stallion Roundup" in the Chesapeake Club was providing ample opportunity for a lot of changing hands of the shekels . . . with, I hear, a major portion finally resting in Jo Rose's seam.

Prior to their "Victory Gala" (held in Biddle Hall, Saturday night and as gay as all get out) Buddy and Frances Wood had the group as guests at a champagne party at the Sphinx Club. After the gala, any number of the Baltimoreans held forth at breakfast parties, in their homes . . . among them Mr. and Mrs. Miles Harrison and Mr. and Mrs. John Stokes.

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YOU'D THINK that with all this play there was little time for business. Not so. "In the Stretch" they elected officers and were greatly impressed with the solemn and beautiful ceremony originated and executed by Edna Over Campbell who inducted the new officials and pledged members to support.

There had also been a lot of detail work prior to the conclave . . . like those kits! The "feed bags made from brilliantly colored burlap and leather, with "Eppies" in a leather oval on front, held just about every need of a conventioner from matches and ash trays, thimbles and buttons, maps, pencils and note books needed during the interim to pill boxes, filled with aspirin, surely needed towards the end.

There was also time to officially present and cite husbands who had made special achievements during the year. Incidentally some 50 - odd of the husbands were in the scene during the conclave.

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THE NEW officers are Phyllis Diggs of Baltimore, president; Dorothy Yancy of New York, vice president; Evelyn Fisher of Danville, Va., recording secretary; Ann Miller of Norfolk, corresponding secretary; Barbara Bennett of Baltimore, treasurer; Frances Wood of Baltimore, parliamentarian; and Bernadine Harrison of Baltimore, journalist.

The conclave will be held in Petersburg, Va., next year, and in 1960 will go to New York.

Attending the sessions here were:

From Portsmouth, Va.: Mesdames Della Lawrence, Fannie Overton, Mattie Durant, and Louise Hill.

Hampton and Newport News, Va.: Mesdames Mabel Sykes and Alma Frazier; Miss Mary Riley, and Mrs. Bernice Winston.

Richmond, Va.: Mesdames Thelma Fields, Ollie Ford, Rhea Brown, Alfreda Rogers, Gwen Ragsdal, Thelma Robinson, Sabelia Morris, Miss Thelma Johnson and Ruby Mitchell.

Washington: Mesdames Hoyle Jones, Norma Morrison, Ersilla M. Smith, Thelma Smithey, Margaret Smith, Cora Brooks, Jean Cope, Katherine Cole and Mamie Crawford.

Petersburg, Va.: Mesdames Johnny L. White, Elsie Bazemore, Estelle Hallsmon, Jean Rogers, Elizabeth Parker, Emma Griffin and Katherine Bendell.

Danville, Va.: Mesdames Fannie Owens, Metha Flood, Helen Harvey, Hortense Richardson, Evelyn Parker, Beulah Bridge, Nora Turner and Doris Banks.

New York: Mrs. Irene Burgeston, Misses Dorothy Yancey, Blanche Hubbard and Miss Elizabeth Carnegie and Mrs. Juanita Franklin.

Norfolk, Va.: Mesdames Ann Miller, Johnnie Perry, Edna Rose, Burlene Southall, Eunice Banks, Alethea Briley, Sarah Crawford, Kathryn Douglas, Catherine Jones, Dorcas Manuel and Naomi Massey.

Baltimore: Mesdames Barbara Bennett, Shirley B. Byers, Gladys Daniel, Phyllis A. Diggs, Louise H. Gilliam, Bernadine Harrison, Dorothy Henry, Dorothy Johnston.

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AS THE MARYLAND LEAGUE of Women's Clubs held its quarterly conference in Baltimore, Saturday, the trio above discussed fine points of the program. They are, left to right: Mrs. Virginia L. Brown, Mrs. Virginia Champ and Mrs. Mae Folkes.

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entine, Elise Jude, Laura Jude, Jill Collins, Wilhelma Garner, Russell Cooper, Frank Smith, Joy Edemy, Carolyn Keene.

Dorothy Corbitt, Justine Sherrod, Leslie Gross, Bonda Lee, Sandra Oliver, Joan and Rosetta Griffin, Charles Kent, Thomas Green.

Nonie Greene, Charles Woodland, Paul Williams, Lynette Brown, Brenda Coates.

Mems about were Thelma Thompson, Mae Cornish, Ruth Sampson, Bernice Turner, Lucille Williams, Marion Amprey, Pauline Armstrong, and Patricia Hollaciaw.

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ON FRIDAY last, the Westminster Fellowship of Grace Presbyterian Church, had its fourth annual Youth Fellowship Banquet.

The main speaker of the evening was the Rev. Robert J. Newbold Jr. James Dashiell Jr., who is moderator of the group, also gave a short talk, which presented a challenge to both the young people and their parents.

Those present were:

Mrs. Ann Dashiell, Miss Selma Rozier, Mrs. Edna Canty, Rev. Robert J. Newbold, Mrs. Newbold, Miss Janet Powell, James Dashiell Jr, Carol Jones, Pamela Jones, Ann Dashiell, Ellen Brightful, Mr. Brightful, Sandra Oliver, Mrs. C. Oliver, Mrs. S. Rozier, Mrs. J. Smith, Carolyn May, Patricia Greene, Mrs. C. Greene, Verlon Greene, and Yvonne Gilkes.

Mrs. Edna Canty is advisor to the group.

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THE Y WIVES celebrated their 17th anniversary, Sunday. Had loads of fun.

Began the day right by worshipping at First Baptist Church. Went on to the lovely Elgin Avenue home of Mrs. Annie Belle Drayton for a "pot luck" dinner.

And the delicious food each brought!

Interspersing the chatter and dining was a hat show during which Mrs. Drayton showed a number of her creations.

The very smart collection included a chic turban of gray Hawaiian straw, banded with silk and sporting a huge multi-colored silk and velvet rose.

Cute, too, was a flower bonnet of tiny blossoms, chiefly mauve and blue. All raved over a natural Panama, turned up at the back, the wide sweep of brim at front decorated with a bunch of daisies. Another favorite was a chemise hat of soft Italian yellow straw with brown satin ribbon band and bow.

Mrs. Lelia Harrison heads the club (an affiliate of the Madison Avenue branch). Officers include Mesdames Hortensia Jones, vice president; Estelle Parker, recording secretary; Maggie Johnson, corresponding secretary; Anna Seward, treasurer; Marjorie Boyd, chaplain; and Mrs. Drayton and Mrs. Barbara Green, advisors.

Among members are Mesdames Hazel Beverly, Ethel Keel, Evelyn Gordon, Constance Williams, Nancy Hubbard, Evelyn Cooper, Thelma Wharton, Ida Adams, Martha Washington, Hilda Gaither, Mattie Harris and Tenyo Williams.

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POTPOURRI: Back in circulation, last week, was Zrifka Skates, who was injured in an automobile accident more than a month ago.

Vacumtess Payne is readying to study at Yale. Will be off come June 29th. She's on the faculty of Clifton Park Junior High.

Those very pretty diamond and pearl earrings that Mrs. Mary McPherson wore at a local luncheon Saturday, was the birthday gift from her daughters, Corinthia and Carlene. Pretty snazzy they were with the pale green jacket frock and exactly matching, very pointed toed shoes she wore.

Daughters gave her a surprise party. Had trouble getting her out of house in fact, never did...she maintaining that her bed was where she wanted to be that evening. But the friends pouring in, gift laden, did prize her from her downy...all teary and all over the surprise!

The Waller (Helena) Edmonds and the Mark (Lula) Pattersons have decided to abandon house-keeping after umpteen years on Madison Avenue and become apartment dwellers. They will (some months hence) be neighbors on Fairview Avenue.

THE TEEN age group of the Tots and Teens enjoyed a very successful year which included several worship services and a delightful hayride.

The year's program culminated with a talk by David L. Glenn, Community Relations Secretary of the Baltimore Urban League.

One of the highlights of Mr. Glenn's talk was that parents should give much consideration to the use of wise judgement in helping their children choose curricular.

Parents sometimes are not eager to accept a different curricular, simply because it is something they themselves never had, therefore not really letting the child venture out.

Job opportunities are opening in new fields for those who are qualified. Don't be afraid to be a "first" was the main idea left with the group.

Most of the teens present felt that the adolescent who conducts himself unbecomingly should be ostracized until he learns to have respect for himself and others. He wants to "belong" and enough of this treatment should make him conform.

Some of the members and their friends who joined in the discussion were:

Pat and Marleen Young, Jo Ann Drew, Lavinia Hammond, Jackie Cooper, Anita Tirkas, Vernon Johnson, Howard Johnson, Ridgely Smith, Frank Henson, Robert Rawls, Sharon Dupuy.

Charles Watts, Carol Martin, Adrienne Finnell, Tony Wicks, Jordan Drew, George Cole and William Johnson. Mrs. Ruth Drew is advisor.

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AMID beautiful decorations of roses, sweet peas and carnations, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Smith were feted at a reception Saturday night in honor of their 35th wedding anniversary.

The affair was held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. George White.

Mrs. Smith was charmed in an exquisite blue satin sheath dress, topped with a corsage of red roses presented her by her granddaughters, Myra and Marlene, who also acted as hostesses.

Friends showered the couple with numerous gifts.

Among guests were:

Messrs. and Mesdames Lloyd Griffin, Jessie Hampton, William Gantt, Joseph L. Ross, Clifford White, Milton White, Richard Cole, Clinton Dilworth, Albert Hockaday, Thomas Morton.

Mesdames Mary Smith, Dora Miller, Etta Belcher, Misses Lilla Pearson, Alice Nixon, Nella Johnson and Vastella Tay-lor.

Out-of-towners present were: Mr. and Mrs. James Harrison, of New Haven, Conn., and the Clyde Bells of Philadelphia.

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IT'S PICNIC time and the call of the great outdoors has sounded for the Y Wives. They will gather their children, husbands and a few friends for their annual outing at John Ross's Farm on Sunday, June 8.

Final plans for this affair were completed Tuesday night at their clubroom, 910 Edmondson Ave. Catherine Adams, retiring president, gave her farewell speech and bedecked successor of the newly elected president, Eleanor Brayeu.

Alma Gray presented Mrs. Adams with a beautiful straw bag as a token of appreciation for the inspiring leadership she has given during the past two years.

Other officers, elected were: M. Francis McKay, vice president; Maxine Higginbotham, corresponding secretary; Sunshine Kinnard, recording secretary; Josephine Kimbers, financial secretary, and Hilda Higgins, treasurer.

The names of the new officers were brought in by Marguerite J. Brown, chairman of the nominating committee, which included Lucille Fitzgerald, Josephine Kimbers and Vashti Matthews.

Present at the final gathering until fall were:

Stella Pinkett, and Shirley Swafford, new members, Josephine Kimbers, Maxine Higginbotham, Ella Edemy, Olyce Prue, Eleanor Brayeu, Olivia Dixon, Carol Hayshert; Rubye Walker, Bertie West, Alma Gray, Lucile Fitzgerald, Marguerite Brown, Mae Campbell, Mary Pitts, Mattie Conner and Francis Mackay.

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AND IT'S a dinner date for Quetta (wives of Omega men) at Friendship Airport on the 30th.

Being able to pat themselves on the back for the fine job done during the Omega conclave here, this year, and having postponed the usual annual party they have for their husbands, also because of the conclave . . . they plan to make up for both at a dinner - dance affair on Friday evening.

Also the annual banquet of Beta Sigma Tau Fraternity (who will honor their mothers) at the Madison Avenue branch YWCA on Saturday night and the Baltimore Cossacks' "Suburban Ball" in Catonsville Armory on Saturday night.

OTHER DATE DATA for the holiday week end include the Morgan State College Alumni luncheon on the 31st, in the college refectory, the dinner party of President Martin D. Jenkins and the Board of Trustees in honor of honorary degree recipients on Monday evening.

Carroll Dennis dinner honoree

The birthday dinner given for Carroll L. Dennis by Mrs. Dennis at their home, 2819 Riggs Ave., Friday evening, was a very gala affair.

Guests included:

Messrs. and Mesdames Edgar Richardson, William Carter, Theodore Chase, James Boyd.

Mesdames Lillian Jones, Myrtle E. Thomas and Frances Turner; Miss Eva Boss, Lorenzo Epps, Horace Boyles, Wilbur Watkins, Francis Regier, Harry Newton, Leon Kess, and Tony Vaches.

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Career opportunities in insurance field are good

By W. J. KENNEDY
President, N.C. Mutual Life Ins. Co.

DURHAM, N.C. — A career in life insurance offers a young person with character and ability just about all that could be desired for a life of service to others. Normally people demand three things of a job: first, that it be exciting and fascinating; second, that it afford income and prestige; and third, that it be creative and important.

It has been said that "life insurance is a scientific financial system, practiced by incorporated companies, under which each policyholder agrees to pay an equitable premium determined by the Law of Averages, towards creating a general fund sufficient to make certain the payment of each loss by at the death of the insured or at some earlier agreed time."

This is an old definition of the industry, however, it clearly indicates the social aspects of life insurance which has become so much a part of the American economy.

Seniors, high school and college students who make the all important decision to acquire the knowledge and skill necessary to achieve success are indeed fortunate. Failure to make that decision is a risk that no one should take. More and more American colored people are becoming aware of the absolute necessity of knowledge and skill in meeting competition for jobs everywhere.

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ASSUMING THAT a young person is ready and willing to work and prefers to enter the field of business, I recommend a career in life insurance. It is a well known fact that life insurance is a financial system.

Remembers a wide range of business activity which involves specialized service in: public relations and advertising, salesmanship, bookkeeping, accounting, auditing, clerical work, office management, typing, stenography, secretarial service, operation of tabulating machines and electric computers, personnel management, agency supervision, sales training, real estate investment, mortgage loan investment, bond and stock investment, legal service, medical service, actuarial service, executive service and corporation management.

There is nothing more exciting than close association with people—all of the people regardless of where they live and what they do to earn a livelihood. More than any other business, life insurance provides services to the people in their homes and in their offices.

The life insurance agent is more than an agent for his company, he is a friend of the family and an economic advisor, providing ample security for the family in the kind of insurance most suited for their needs at the lowest possible cost. The job of life underwriter is, therefore, both exciting and fascinating.

At the home office of a life insurance company a variety of work is done which makes it possible for the agents to serve the policyholder. Home office jobs are sufficiently varied for young men and women who have completed their business training to make a selection of the particular type of assignment desired.

Life insurance companies have developed an extensive on-the-job training program which offers employees with unusual ability opportunity to make rapid advancement in areas of specialized service on both administrative and executive levels.

New developments in electronics have opened up a broad field for employees with mathematical aptitudes who are interested in learning about the use and potential of electronic data processing equipment.

In addition to job security, a career in life insurance offers equitable rewards in money and substantial rewards in prestige. Like other branches of American industry, life insurance company salaries are in proportion to contribution and because it is a big and growing business there is always plenty of room on the way up for people with character, ability and a willingness to work.

One other observation which may be helpful to young people seeking employment in the field of business, is that as evidenced by the fact that the admitted assets life insurance companies are major sources of capital for industrial expansion, housing public utility and highway developments and for Federal, State and municipal securities, all of which make the institution of life insurance one of America's most important sources of financial stability.

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Musical Moments

By Adah K. Jenkins

The 35th annual observance of National Music Week was marked by several local performances of note.

At the Wednesday Assembly of Morgan State College, the Department of Music Education presented a concert by members of the music faculty, the College Choir and Symphonic Band.

Soloists were Dorothy H. Banks, soprano, Carol Blanton pianists, and William H. Haithcock and Dennis M. deCoteau, violinists. The band was conducted by R. Hayes Strider, head of the department.

The violinists and Mrs. Hill gave a clearly enunciated performance of Bach's Concerto in D minor, a vivid example of the florid counterpoint of the classic period of music.

Mrs. Banks, who was in fine voice, produced admirably placed tones in the aria "Depuis Le Jour" (E'er Since the Day) from the romantic opera of French Bohemian life, "Louise."

In "Tes Yeaux" (Your Eyes) the singer was accompanied by Mr. Haithcock on the violin and Mrs. Hill at the piano.

Mrs. Banks, who is a concert pianist of attainments, received quite an ovation following her brilliant playing of "Leglinka," by Liaponow and the well contrasted sea chapty "One More Day, My John" (Grainger).

The Symphonic Band, aroused enthusiastic applause with "The Black Knight" and "A Westchester Overture."

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UNDER THE able direction of Mr. deCoteau the College Choir gave a very well balanced and thoughtful performance. There was the reverential singing of "Day of Judgment," with its strong influence of the music.

The pathos of "Madame Jeanette" was expressive, without being over-sentimentalized. A crisp fantasy on "O Dear, What Can the Matter Be" and the virile "Ride the Chariot" (spiritual) completed the concert. Dorothy Glenn, a student in the department, proved to be an able accompanist.

Another observance of Music Week was held at Dunbar High School when pupils of Captain Henry Fiel School, No. 25, gave an elaborate production of Humperdinck's opera "Hansel and Gretel," arranged for elementary school by Bertha E. Smith.

A near capacity audience heartily applauded. William Meredith H. Briche Jr., conductor, Mrs. Jesse Greene, director and the children, and efficient faculty committee in charge of the program.

Over 200 children, largely from the intermediate grades, participated, including a choir of 75 voices, an ensemble of 30 flutes and tonettes and three ballet groups.

There was a double cast since the operetta was given three performances, including at Saturday matinee.

The principal roles were well handled, especially the highly realistic "witch." Neither principals nor chorus shouted, but used the light, clear voice which is a special beauty of children's singing.

WITH NAT "KING" COLE at the piano, Eartha Kitt warbling and Cab Calloway listening speculatively, the song that began America's rhythm-and-blues age gets its first hearing, in scene from Paramount's "St. Louis Blues," Vista Vision musical drama at the Regent Theatre. Pearl Bailey, Ella Fitzgerald and gospel singer Mahalia Jackson also star.

ATTRACTIVE SETS and appropriate lighting added greatly to the performance. Original and colorful costumes showed ingenuity.

The second scene "In the Woods" was most appealing with a tableau of "angels" and the addition of an organ for the well loved "Prayer."

Assisting on the percussion instruments were members of the Baltimore Boys Choir, which is conducted by Mrs. Birche.

On the following Friday Mr. Birche also directed "The Land of Dreams Come True" by Allan G. Campbell, presenting pupils of the Mt. Winans School No. 156.

He was assisted by Mrs. Sara Hill, of the faculty and Mrs. Blanche Powell, principal.

It is gratifying to see a revivat of the school operettas. Many of our most gifted singers received their early inspiration and experience from these productions that were an integral part of the music program in the public schools.

The youngsters began with suitable operettas in the elementary grades followed by authentic productions of light and even grand operas in the high school.

These were under the direction of the Music Department of the public schools, with such able musicians as the late W. Llewellyn Wilson, Pauline Wharton and Rosina F. Davenson.

Also active in this field were Mrs. Ruth Lee McAdoo, Misses Alma Jackson, A. Dukye Woode, M. Elmira Miller, Mildred Williams and your writer.

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A DIVERSIFIED program on television concluded the National Music Week observance, with talented students from high schools of the city.

Among the groups was the Clipper Four of Southern High School, a Clypso Band, trained by Mr. Birche and a vocal ensemble from Eastern High School.

The Southern High School group is the only high school quartet accredited by the Barber Shop Quartet Association, a national organization. Emile Surposa, director of the Department of Music in the public schools, spoke on the aims of music education in the modern school and community.

CALENDAR: Friday, June 6 at 7:30 p.m. at the Elmer A. Henderson School No. 101 Biddle and Wolfe Streets, "Let's Sing School," an action song playlet, by students of the Miles W. Connor School No. 145, conducted by Mrs. Gwendolyn Nichols, teacher of music. Mrs. Ruby W. Grooms is principal.

Sunday June 1 at 3 p.m. in the auditorium of St. Francis Convent, Forrest and Chase Sts. the annual recital by the Glee Club and piano students, sponsored by the Music Department.

Sunday, June 1 at 3 p.m. in Grove A, Druid Hill Park, the opening of the 1958 season by the Municipal Concert Band, under the sponsorship of the Bureau of Music of the municipal department of Parks and Recreation.

On Wednesday the Park Concert Band will play at Calhoun and Laurens St., on the grounds of School No. 112 at 8 p.m.

The bands are conducted by Harrison M. Dodd and Charles T. Gwynn. Superintendent Karl F. Formats of the Bureau announces an interesting and diversified program for the summer, to which the public is invited. Schedules may be obtained from the Bureau of Music, Madison Avenue entrance, Druid Hill Park or by calling Lafayette 3-2600.

INTERESTED PATRONS of music who are planning for next season will be placing their reservations for the performance of 100 members of Queen Elizabeth's Buckingham Palace Household Brigade, the Regimental Band of the Grenadier Guards and the Massed Pipers and Highland Dancers of the Scots Guards, to be given in Fifth Regiment Armory Nov. 13.

The performance, which is part of a three-week North American tour, will be under the auspices of the English Speaking Union, George L. Radcliffe, president. Much of the famous pageantry seen outside Buckingham Palace and at such ceremonies as the Coronation will be enacted.

Defendant acquitted in alleged swindle

"I can't convict this defendant on his record . . . I must act on the evidence before me . . . therefore, I must find him not guilty."

Judge Reuben Oppenheimer offered this observation in Criminal Court Monday, as he acquitted John Thompson, 42, 700 block Reservoir St., of a larceny charge involving an alleged 1954 fleeflam.

Mrs. Christine Harrison, 1600 block N. Broadway, told the court Mr. Thompson was one of two men who approached her near a Gay St. bank on November 12, 1954, and swindled her out of $200.

She said she was induced to draw the $200 out of the bank, to share in a supposedly $1,500 found in pocketbook by the pair.

Judge Oppenheimer was told that Mrs. Harrison spotted Mr. Thompson in front of the same bank on April 25, and had him arrested.

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JOSEPH ROSENTHAL, attorney for Mr. Thompson, charged that Mrs. Harrison had been unable to identify his client's photo in police files.

Mr. Rosenthal argued further that Mr. Thompson's past was behind him, in that he was now gainfully employed and had an account in the Gay St. bank.

He charged that this was a case of mistaken identity.

Judge Oppenheimer then sent for the police photo of Mr. Thompson and an official of the Gay St. bank.

Judge Oppenheimer agreed with Mr. Rosenthal that Mrs. Harrison should have been able to identify the photo of the accused man, after checking it himself.

Also, it was verified that Mr. Thompson did have an account in the Gay St. bank.

Aberdeen man killed on Rt. 40

Hilson Pretley, 20 of Aberdeen, Md., was killed by an automobile Sunday as he attempted to cross U.S. Route No. 40 about one mile north of his home.

In Aberdeen, Trooper J. S. Plume arrested and charged Donald G. Scrivens, 22, of the 3400 block Roselawn Ave. in the Hamilton area, with reckless driving and automobile manslaughter.

Mr. Pressley's body has been shipped to Georgianna, Ala., where funeral services will be held on the week end.

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