Pennsylvania Avenue

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the Montebello Water Tunnel are making it miserable for streetcar and bus riders, by wearing home their mud-splattered clothes . . . Some department stores refuse to make refunds to colored patrons except on Mondays . . .

LAST SUNDAY WAS CELEBRITY DAY at Northwestern police station. The Capt. Emerson-escorted quintet of poker-playing guests included a social worker, daughter of a newspaper publisher, nursery school teacher, wife of a physician, and wife of a hotel owner. They stole the "show" from a reporter's viewpoint . . . It's a true saying that: "Everybody goes when the wagon comes."

HOT FLASHES — Heavyweight Champion Joe Louis still pugilistic on the Lionel Hampton show Saturday night, 9:30, over WCBM . . . Duke Ellington, minus orchestra, sailed Wednesday for a four-week tour of Europe . . . Baltimore's Estelle Young, the hipster, and Elaine Johnson, the voice, in Milwaukee, Wis.

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Remarking that Mrs. Mary E. Hodges, 24, was "more sinned against that sinning," Judge Edwin Dickerson suspended sentence and released her, Wednesday, on charges of killing a woman she found in bed with her husband.

Mrs. Hodges of 616 Collette St. had pleaded guilty to manslaughter. The victim, Miss Elinore Williams, 21, of 609 Collette, died from a stab wound in the chest on May 12.

In a confession to police, Mrs. Hodges said that when she failed to find her husband, John, at home that night, she took a lamp, and went to Miss Williams's room up the street where she found the couple in bed.

Makes Confession

She stuck the woman in the chest with her husband's penknife, and hit him in the head with the lamp, the confession related.

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NEW YORK—When Band Leader Louis Jordan visited Dr. Walter Merrick, this city, last summer for a physical checkup, little did he realize that he would walk out of the medic's office with a batch of Calypso tunes, one of which he recorded for Decca records.

But composing music is nothing new for the physician who has been recognized by the N.Y. Supreme Court as an authority on West Indian music.

After looking over the music given to him by Dr. Merrick, Jordan selected "Run, Joe, Run" and with the Calypso Boys quartet, waxed it just before the recording ban last year. Initial reaction to it by several music observers was the opinion that the tune will turn out to be a bigger seller than Jordan's "Stone Cold Dead in de Market," which he waxed with Singer Ella Fitzgerald.

A student of music for 20 years, when not engaged in his medical practice, Dr. Merrick turned out his first musical efforts while interning at Freedmen's Hospital in Washington, D.C., in 1928. Titled "Black Empire," it was an operetta based on the tunes characteristic of the tropics of the West Indies.

In recent law suits, involving copyright infringement before the Supreme Court here, the justice accredited Dr. Merrick as one of the recognized authorities on the subject and his testimony was an important factor in the cases.

Collaborating on the lyrics with the doctor was Joe Willoby, a boyhood pal of his from Trinidad, and one at present employed by the N.Y. Consolidated Edison Company as a cashier.

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Harrison Dodd, who for many years has been actively identified with the musical life of Baltimore, made his debut Sunday as conductor of Municipal Band No. 2, one of the four city-sponsored bands.

Mr. Dodd's first appearance was successful from every standpoint. To begin with he presented a program which made a popular appeal to the large group which made their way to historic Druid Hill Park to greet the newly-appointed director.

Carefully Selected Program

Mr. Dodd's program was made up of carefully selected numbers, which were entirely within the grasp of the players, who make up the band.

He directs with authority and his co-workers found it easy to keep with his beat.

His method of interpretation was direct and authoritative.

The recently-appointed conductor gave every evidence of having the innate ability to continue the high standard which the previous conductors, the late Charles L. Harris, and Harry Carpenter, who resigned, maintained.

The selection of Mr. Dodd as conductor of Municipal Band No. 2 seems a happy one.

On Church Singers

Many of our local churches afford excellent opportunities for the development of our youthful singers. Almost every church has some type of young people's choir. Some of these choirs are female, a few are male, and a large number are made up of mixed voices.

Recently, I was fortunate enough to hear the youthful choir at Metropolitan Methodist Church. This choir sang "List, the Cherubic Host" in a manner which reflected much credit on the leader, Mrs. Hyson Johnson, and the church which it represents.

Far to few of our churches encourage the development of young people's choirs. If we are to move forward, we must give opportunity for the development of our youth.

Franz C. Bornschein

News of the passing of Franz C. Bornschein, a local musician, whose talents as a composer, have carried his name and the name of his native city far beyond the confines of Baltimore, will be remembered by members of our racial group by the lovely musical setting he gave to the late Gough McDaniels's poem, "The Freedman's Song," which was presented by the Baltimore City Chorus' and the Baltimore City Orchestra.

At the time of the world's premiere of this significant opus, the Baltimore City Orchestra numbered 105 and the chorus had 350 choristers.

In inaugurating the use of works by local composers by high schools and at their annual commencements, Mr. Bornschein's works were often featured.

Versatile Writer

His talents as a creative musician enabled him to write in all forms and for all types of instrumental ensemble; but his fame as a composer will rest on the laurels he earned as a creator of excellent choral music.

His vocal arrangement of Tchaikowski's Waltz of the Flowers from the "Nut Cracker Suite" was sung by the Baltimore City Chorus and the combined Park Band No. 2 and Municipal Band No. 2 at the massed band concert which was held in Druid Hill Park.

The passing of Franz C Bornschein, which follows so closely upon the death of Gustav C. Klemm, takes from the music colony of Baltimore two gifted creative musicians who were as liberal toward all of their fellow-creative men as they were gifted in the tonal art.

Both, as men and as musicians, will be missed by all who knew them.

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Tension High at 'Perfect' U.S. Camp in German Zone

Kitzingen Center Commendable but Whites Outrank Blacks at Every Point

By OLLIE STEWART

KITZINGEN, Germany—The Kitzingen Basic Training Center here is one of the most publicized installations in the whole of the U. S. Zone of Germany. There are two reasons.

First, the center itself is the development of an idea not found anywhere else in the theatre; and second, the publicity department here knows how to get cooperation from the press.

Yet, with all its publicity, its educational and military programs, its six-lane bowling alley, fine clubs for officers and enlisted men, and its spic-and-span appearance that is so commendable, KBTC has a kink in the motor. Some screws are loose somewhere.

Not to long ago a fine young officer took his .45 and blew his brains out.

Tension Great

Before I arrived I met an officer from KBTC who was on leave, and playing golf with the hospital, because his blood pressure was too high. When I arrived, I met another whose blood pressure was too high—from carrying four of five jobs.

The strain is beginning to show. On paper, KBTC is a colored training center. In reality, colored soldiers are being trained under a white command, with colored officers (about 30 of them) in assisting roles. This is the cause of the tension.

Authority rests in the hands of Brig. Gen. Lewis C. Beebe, Washington, of whom I heard nothing but complimentary. And following the general, are other white officers who maintain a tight grip upon the center.

Never Out-Rank Whites

Colored officers get into the act mainly on the company commander's level, where the only persons they give orders to are colored soldiers. At no point do they rank a white officer.

This is a colored training center. But the officer in charge of the hospital is white. The post inspector is white. Capt. John E. Royston is assistant judge advocate.

The authorized enlisted personnel in the hospital is white—and the only way colored medical technicians can work in the hospital (in a colored training center) is to be on special duty, or detached service.

The provost marshal sergeant is white.

No One Authorized

And speaking of medical technicians, it is my understanding that no colored enlisted personnel is authorized anywhere in the theatre. This same amazing state of affairs exists in Army post offices throughout the theatre.

These things are the crux of the matter. The success of the American occupying forces in Germany depends largely upon the complete utilization of the men and officers sent here to do a job. Anything otherwise would do better to remain at home.

The officer situation is serious.

At every point this writer's attention is called to the fact that somebody in the theatre, or in Washington, is still trying to ram the white-over-black equation down the throats of colored officers and men. Colored officers would do much to help the situation.

I keep hearing it. I keep seeing the resentment and discontent among men who regret the inference that only a white man can keep them in line.

Defeats Its Purpose

Assigning Basic Trainings Center started out with a good idea—but it will defeat its own purpose as long as it reaches back to the USA — and down into the deep South—for its pattern of behavior.

The main objective at Kitzingen is to produce a better-trained, better-disciplined, more highly educated soldier for the occupation mission.

The need for a place like KBTC was seen when the Army discovered that many colored soldiers coming into the Army from the South had had little opportunity to get even the most elementary sort of education. Hundreds could n't even read and write.

So, as the training center for all colored troops in Europe, KBTC began some months ago to work on the head as well as the hands. Every soldier is now required to go to school two hours a day. Those with less than a fourth grade education are given special work in reading, writing and spelling.

From fifth grade on up through high school, the men get a program of high school work, and a course of leadership is offered above the high school level.

School Program Heads

Frank L. Bridges, white, of Quincy, Ill., is director of the school program. He has three assistants, the newest of whom is William B. Johnson, of Boston, with a bachelor's and master's degree from Michigan, who now awaits his doctorate from the University of Paris.

There is an instructors' pool of enlisted men, numbering close to 75. They are sent out with the companies that go into the field for training, so that at no time will the soldiers be without their school work.

Even officers are brought in to KBTC for refresher courses of four weeks. Tents are now being built for them to live in this summer, since there are no living quarters available for them.

Teaches Band Members

One of the most interesting instructors is M/Sgt. Wilbur D. Chase, 820 Arkansas Ave., Atlantic City, who finished Julliard in 1940. His major was voice, and here he teaches music to members of the KBTC band.

From Baltimore, I met T/5 Fred Lincoln, 523 N. Bond St., who will be back home in October. He sends regards to his wife, Mrs. Ida Lincoln, and Fred Jr., his son.

T/5 Sylvester Pickford, 1728 Barnes St., E. Baltimore, asked to send regards to his mother, Mrs. Alice Pickford, Pfc. William Wilson, 1 Kenilworth Pl., Hebron, Maryland.

1st Sgt. Cornell E. Coffey, 317 G St., N.E. Washington, has 12 years in the Army and expects to remain while M/Sgt. Horace A. McCray, 5722 Filbert St., Philadelphia, has seven years of service behind him.

Like Germany

Among the men who have their families with them, I met M/Sgt. Roland L. Milton and his wife, Doris, of 960 Division Ave., N.E., Washington. Both of them like living in Germany and have an attractive apartment.

Others included Mrs. Anga L. Taylor and her husband, Sgt. Charles Taylor Steelton, Pa.; 1st Sgt. and Mrs. Jefferson V. Sasser, Kansas City, Mo.; and S/Sgt. Solomon Lusby and wife, of Jackson, Tenn.

Sergeant Lusby, incidentally, has been in GYA (German Youth Activities) work for two years, and now operates three youth centers. Ala his centers he feeds, clothes and provides recreation for about 200 children each day.

He has beds for 15 and can put them up for an entire week end.

Earlier this year, 28 orphans were adopted by KBTC soldiers, who will provide clothing, food, school materials and recreational facilities for these children, some of whom are brown Germans.

Married to Swiss Girl

The FX at KBTC is managed by Arthur C. Ferguson, ex-officer whom I knew in North Africa in 1943. After his discharge, Ferguson went to school in Switzerland, married a Swiss girl and is now planning to remain in Europe permanently.

Capt. Max S. Whittington, Columbia, S.C., is chaplain at the center. An Episcopal minister, and former archdeacon of the upper diocese of South Carolina, he has a deep interest in the fate of children by soldiers and German girls.

The center has one of the most beautiful places of worship in any Army area in Germany. The chapel was built partly by the men of KBTC.

Saved Eisenhower's Life

Lt. Jesse Holbert, recently promoted from second lieutenant, who says his aunt, Mrs. Maud A. Wilson, 69 Kenilworth Pl., Orange, N.J., is his whole family, is assistant provost marshal. He was a master sergeant in the MP's during the war, and is credited with having once saved General Eisenhower's life.

Recreational facilities at KBTC are excellent. The service club has an immense gym, with bowling alleys, lounge, snack bar and up-to-date library. I noticed several late issues of colored newspapers. The athletic director is WO/J Leroy H. Haynes of Chicago.

Paradise Inn has four hostesses. They are Mrs. Lidia B. Davis, Atlanta, director; Miss Mercedes J. Hopkins, Cincinnati; Mrs. Juanita D. Morrow, New York, and Miss Anita M. Snowden, Boston. Miss Snowden handles the arts and crafts shop; Mrs. Morrow and Miss Hopkins are in charge of recreation such as floor shows and dances.

Club for Relaxation

Master Sergeant Roland Milton is in charge of the first Three Graders Club, a beautiful place for relaxation. The enlisted men also have a fine place to sit and drink and dance after duty hours.

The men referred to previously as being responsible for getting KBTC in the papers so often are Major Baxter S. Scruggs, Los Angeles, Ti & E officer; and 1st Lt. Edward M. Plummer Jr., Tarentum, Pa., and Arthur P. Hatfield, New Orleans.

These men have gone all out in setting up an information center with murals of international interest on the walls, and a daily news sheet with the latest bulletins condensed for soldiers. Lts. Plummer and Hatfield go out and get the news, and their picture coverage is excellent.

Major Bennett G. Gray Jr., Chicago, troop commander, was on leave when I visited KBTC. He is a veteran national guard officer, and was well spoken of by everybody with whom I talked. Major Walter H. Dabney, assistant troop commander, 2038 18th St., N.W., Washington, was away in school.

Capt. Leon P. O'Hara, Talladega, Ala., is dental officer. He studied dentistry at Meharry and is well liked by all on the post—except when he gets them in his chair and reaches for his drill.

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Refugees of Coast Flood

Mrs. Edward Robinson and son, Joseph, 9 months old, two of the thousands who were driven from Vanport, Oregon, by the raging Columbia river flood waters. Hundreds were believed to have been drowned.

$10,000 Play Area Drive Launched

The South Baltimore Playground Committee opened its $10,000 drive with an initial meeting, June 4, at John Wesley Methodist Church whose pastor, the Rev. F. J. Frye, is working with the committee.

Mrs. Dollie Walker and Mrs. Mamie Patterson are chairman and co-chairman. Citizens and workers who are interested are confident that the community will respond wholeheartedly to the appeal.

Secretary of the committee is Mrs. Mamie Knox. On the financial committee is James Woodland, William Camphor, Mrs. Viola Wright and Mrs. Gladys Grant.

Make Needs Known

C. C. Jackson, speaking at the meeting, outlined types of playgrounds and the equipment needed.

He said, "We must let the people know that South Baltimore is not the forgotten land. We must make our needs known."

Other speakers were Milton Branch of School 106 and Charles Brown of the Department of Education.

Mrs. Claudenia Brown presided.

Areas were designated and the following area chiefs named for a house-to-house canvass, during the coming two weeks:

Mrs. Mamie Patterson, the Rev. Mrs. Mydie Wood, Mrs. Lucy Price, Mrs. Claudenia Brown, Mrs. Lois Dandon, Mrs. Lavinia Wiggins, Mrs. Evelyn Burnett, Mrs. Mable Thomas, Miss Christine Booker, Sylvester Terry and Matthews Frallings.

NEWS BY MARY DAVIS

SPARTANBURG, S.C.— Mrs. Mary Davis, restaurant operator, died last Wednesday and funeral services were held at Majority Baptist Church here with the Rev. F. S. Daniels officiating.

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