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ALONG THE AVENUE

With the holiday season close at hand and the Christmas spirit already starting to float up and down the Avenue, the ever popular COMEDY CLUB has scheduled a top notch show for merrymakers.

Moving onto the bandstand on Christmas will be the combo of Red Prysock whose shining talent once sparked the Tiny Bradshaw orchestra. Following up Prysock will be Paul Quinichette, which means the club's patrons will be assured the best in music all through the holiday season.

Musical chores at the club are currently being handled by Jerry and His Tom Cats, a piano, bass and vibraphone. Jerry Nelson is the leader of the smooth playing group, and the other "Cats" are Joe Turner and Jimmy Wells.

Sitting in with the band on Tuesday night for a sparkling version of the warm and lovely "Moonlight in Vermont" was Doris Bell, bass player with the Myrtle Young group now holding forth at CLUB CASINO.

AT Club Casino

Myrtle Young and her combo are playing at the CLUB CASINO, and playing wonderful music. The first three days of next week will find the club filled with music from the Four Links, and on Thursday the holiday season will be officially launched with the presentation of Chris Powell and the Blue Flames.

In addition to offering the nation's top musical attractions, the club also serves as a showcase for the work of several local artists. The pictures have been hung on the wall in the smaller of the two bars giving the artists a needed chance to exhibit their work to the public.

The paintings are in modern mood and since they are for sale, they would make tasteful Christmas gifts. One of the artists represented is Bernard Byrd.

Among recent visitors to the club were: Esther Dipps, Walter Rucker, Money Johnson, and Phyllis Hendricks.

Parker At Tijuana

Blowing in the CLUB TIJUANA on Tuesday night was the man with the golden horn, Charlie "Yardbird" Parker, backed up by a fast moving group that features a trumpet player that comes mighty close to making the instrument talk.

Tuesday was the first time that Parker has played with the group, and after listening to his sidemen with a critical ear, he told them, "We can work together." And praise like that from Parker means the group is tops.

A heavy crowd was on hand for the opening session of the group which will play at TIJUANA through Dec. 27. As usual the smiling J. C. Bailey and the suave Nat Ailor were on hand to welcome the happy guests.

Recently seen enjoying the music at the club were William Contee and Rudolph Halley. Also present were Mertis Ricks and Eleanor Higgins.

Ex-GI Entertained

The Baltimore Cassocks recently entertained their honorary member, LaCurtis Johnson at a dinner party at TIJUANA. Mr. Johnson was recently discharged from the Army and his party marked the first time he had the opportunity to see the members.

Officers present were: Leroy Jackson, president; Arthur B. Roane, secretary, and Thomas F. Green, treasurer. Members were: Charles T. Bruce and Albert M. Rice. Other members are: William A. Ringgold Jr., James Ross and Xanzler T. Randall.

Up the street at RICTOR'S RED FOX LOUNGE are the HAMMONDTONES of Lou Bennett. The bongo player of the outfit, Earl Omara, is a native Baltimorean who started playing at the OLDE MILLE. He was formerly featured with the Peptones.

Tells TV Joke

Teddy and His Tip "toppers" are at P and M and service at the bar is taken care of by the attractive barmaids, Octavia Brown and Sarah Seeney. Teddy Bourne, leader of the group, is currently telling the tale of the husband who asked his wife to see what she could get on the TV set. She did. She took it to the pawn shop.

Since the opening of P and M, the club has been doing a steady business, and credit belongs to the astute Phil Harris and his managers. Seen at the club on a recent visit were Jack Johnson, Joseph Rollins, Hazel Williams, Elgin Watson.

CLUB 1017 is all set for the holidays with the music of Marlowe Morris, who in the short space of two years has carved a niche for himself as a top rate organist.

Originally Morris played piano in several spots along 52nd st., sometime simply called "The Street" in NYC. He has also appeared in the Academy Award winning short feature "Jemming the Blues" and with Abbott and Costello in "Pardon My Sarong."

To Marlowe the best pianist in existence is Art Tatum, and his work shows strong Tatum influence.

Doc's Busy Schedule

One of the town's popular figures, Creston "Doc" Woingust has a busy schedule lined up for the holidays when he will portray Santa Claus. Just check:

The Royal theatre, Dec. 19, party given by Northwestern police district; Regent, Dec. 24, party sponsored by the Savant club; Lenox, Dec. 26, party sponsored by Gilmor homes; New Albert, Dec. 28, party sponsored by Gilmor homes.

GAMBY'S is offering a fast paced floor show featuring Jill Parks, sensational singer from Hollywood; Lolita Tajja, the Toppers and Jerome Berry.

One of the pleasant ways to wind up a festive evening is at the RICE INN where the food is always good and the service the best. Current waitresses include Margo Wheatley, Marian Curry and Thelma Suit.

A quick swing around the circuit also shows the following lineup of entertainment:

CLUB FROLIC — Bill Wilson and his Trio; LEE'S BAR, Harold Bevans trio; JONES COCKTAIL LOUNGE, Charles Beckles and his Peptones; CLUB UBANGI, Pee Wee Wooden's Three Kings and a Queen

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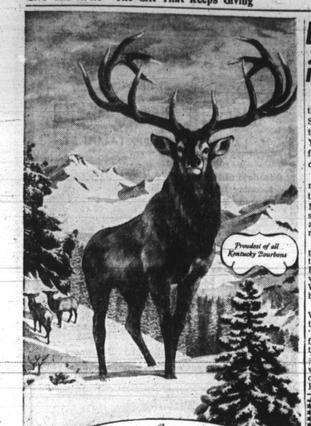

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Local dancer scores hit in young artist series

Appearing in the second of the "Young Artist Concert Series" on Sunday in the auditorium of the Madison ave. YWCA, William Frank made his formal debut as a modern dancer.

Mr. Frank, a native Baltimorean, displayed many of the techniques of famed dancer Martha Graham, as he presented "Tensile Involvement" and "Mobile," the latter dance representing the amoeba cell.

The Booker T Dancer school presented an effective dance interpretation of "Sometimes I Feel Like A Motherless Child" with choreography by Mattie F. Whyte, assisted by Mrs. Barbara Bennett.

Miss Mabel Lake and Miss Vera Howard helped to lighten the tone of the program with "Two Girls from Little Rock" from the motion picture "Gentlemen Prefer Blondes."

A highlight of the program was the first public performance of "Valse PPassione" (Waltz of Passion), "I Ask of Thee," and "Episode" (a tonal panorama of life), by Richard G. Richardson Jr.

Featured as soloist on "I Ask of Thee" was Paul S. Hinton, tenor. Miss Lake, Mr. Frank and Miss Howard also interpreted the choreography of Mr. Hinton.

The final concert in the series will be presented Jan. 17 at the YWCA and will feature Miss Helen Maria Armstrong, formerly of the Baltimore Institute of Musical Arts, with Mrs. Sophie Williams Johnson as accompanist.

City to close two VD clinics

The Baltimore City Health Department is closing two sessions of its venereal disease clinics due to a decline in the incidence of syphilis.

The clinic sessions to be closed are the Wednesday night sessions at the Calvert st. clinic, effective Jan. 1, 1954.

Although a considerable amount of public health nursing time has been saved during the past five years by the release of nurses from venereal disease clinic duty as the result of the effective penicillin treatment of both gonorrhea and syphilis, it has not been possible, until now, to discontinue an entire clinic session.

Coppin sponsoring 'meet artist' series

The art department of Coppin State Teachers college, presented Robert Wirth in a demonstration, "Let's Design Christmas Cards," last Friday.

The demonstration was designed to give the amateur a feeling of ability to create yule greeting cards successfully. Mr Wirth, a talented young designer, is associated with the education department of the Baltimore Museum of Art.

First in Series

Miss Velma O. Ferguson, director of the art department of Coppin, announced that the presentation was the first in a series of "Meet the Artist," a cultural promotion to bring to the school a number of artists during the term 1953-1954.

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Mrs. Harmon dies here suddenly

Mrs. Harriet Harmon, 1234 Etting st., wife of the late Henry Harmon, died suddenly at her home, Thursday morning.

The body is at the Law Funeral Home, but funeral arrangements had not been completed a' press time today.

Mrs. Harmon, a member of the Sharp Street Memorial Methodist church, was also a member of the YWCA and a worker in other civic organizations of this city.

Mrs. Harmon is survived by two sisters, a niece and two stepsons, Dr. Louis E. Harmon of this city and Henry Harmon Jr., of Washington.

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