

THRU THE DARKNESS I See

by F. C. Williams

A NEEDED SUGGESTION—Mayor Maury Maverick of San Antonio Texas, who recently welcomed in convention the Kappa Alpha Psi when they met in that city, is visiting in California. While here, we would like the Texas Mayor to suggest to the Mayor of Los Angeles, that it is an exhibition of real Americanism to recognize all groups, races and creeds. That's something Mayor Bowron should know as he failed to avail himself of an opportunity to prove his Americanism by not recognizing and appreciating the invitation extended to him to deliver a welcoming address to the National Baptist when they convened in his city last September.

"MUSIC HATH CHARMS"

Fletcher Henderson, the accomplished pianist is now arranging all of the music played by the famous Goodman Band. This is recognition for the Negro in the World of Music, a fact that Goodman appreciates ability. Another member of our race in the news, prominent in the world of music is Maceo Pinkard, a native of Bluefield, West, Va. He has just released four new songs through the Major Broadcasting network which are being published by the Pinkard Publications of New York City.

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SOCIAL LIFE AT NASSAU



DO WOMEN INFLUENCE: When Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt turned thumbs down on the return of the bustle and wasp waist, we noticed the fashion designers followed the cue for the bustle never became popular. But when she says she did not influence the President to change the date of Thanksgiving, we wonder if she was conscious of just how much her view point would affect the actions of her husband.

WELCOME NEWS:—In a recent statement, coming out of France, that the Allies do not want American manpower, the people of this country heaved a sigh of relief, we are willing to furnish supplies to any of the European powers as long as our neutrality is not violated, but we are absolutely opposed to sacrifice the youth of our country to help squabbling Europe to settle its selfish quarrels.

MOTHER'S SOOTHING SONG — "ish tune, "Rocka-bye Baby" the country's oldest Lullaby familiar to us and children of generations gone was improvised by a 15 year old-girl back in Massachusetts. Mrs. Effie I. Canning Carlton, now 66, and who lies dangerously ill in a hospital, stricken with a cerebral hemorrhage as she viewed the motion picture featuring the famous lullaby.

A WOMAN WITH TWO LOVES—A French newspaper, The "Paris Soir" recently carried this statement by one of its reporters, "There she was, the pretty quater-

oon, in her silver dress and her white laces and heavy bracelets and earrings." He was describing the international famous singer and dancer, Josephine Baker, born in St. Louis, Mo., U. S. A., who has completed a tour among the French soldiers in their various fortified locations. Josephine Baker is married to a French soldier now in service and her song, "J'ai deux amours" ("I Have Two Loves") certainly fits the occasion, for although married to France, Miss Baker still belongs to the United States. She will soon open in a new revue at the Casino de Paris in the City where she is a most popular favorite.

RATING THE RECORDS (by Frank Marshall Davis for ANP)

Parade of the Blues—Those who like their music indigo tinted ought to enjoy this week's releases for they range from fast blues of boogie-woogie type down to mean slow drags. Heading the list is a 12 inch Blue Note by the Kansas City b. w. expert, Pete Johnson. Titles are HOLLER STOMP and YOU DON'T KNOW MY MIND. Add the first side to that special niche reserved for "Pine Top's Boogie Woogie." This is keyboard excitement from beginning to end. Until now my main respect was for Pete's right hand, but on this number his left hops and jumps to perfection. It's almost too much ivory tickling for just one man. The coupling, a slow blues, is brilliantly and feelingly rendered but is just a little short of the standard set by Meade "Lux Lewis" improvisations in similar vein.

Also released by Blue Note is BARRELHOUSE BREAKDOWN, b. w., and KANSAS CITY FAREWELL, slow blues, by the Pete Johnson trio which includes Abe Bolar, bass, and Ulysses Livingston, guitar. While some listeners may go for this, I'd rather hear Pete alone. The trio seems a bit noisy—Jack Teagarden cuts loose again for Columbia on BEALE ST. BLUES, featuring solid trombone and vocal by the leader and fine Lee Cosalido trumpet. Coupled is SWINGIN' ON THE TEAGARDEN GATE, a faster performance. One of the few discs on which this unit clicks—Lonnie Johnson is one of the best male blues singers, with a good voice and marvelous guitar technique. All of which makes his Bluebird of FOUR O THREE BLUES, another WPA. lament, and LOVELESS BLUES, based on Handy's "Loveless Love," powerful

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First of the new Ida Cox Vocalions to reach me is PINK SLIP BLUES, also a relief chant, and TAKE HIM OFF MY MIND An oldtimer now coming back, she has the help of a star band including Henderson, Hampton, Paige, Higgenbotham, Christian, Ed Hall and Artie Bernstein all of whom pour it on. Very mellow—with Jimmy Rushing moanin', Count Basie's band is relaxed and moody on I LEFT MY BABY, typical Kansas City Blues. The pairing on this Columbia is RIFF INTERLUDE, which jumps all over the place with Lester Young's tenor and the whistling trumpet at final fadeout hipspots. For old fashioned, genuine blues, grab up JUST A DREAM No. 2 and MY LAST GOODBYE TO YOU, on Vocalion by the one and only Big Bill. One of his best.

NATION'S MEDICS WINNING IN FIGHT AGAINST TUBERCULOSIS

New York City, Feb. 8—(by Albert G. Barnett for ANP)—A remarkable insight into the gains made by the medical profession and health agencies in the age-old fight to conquer tuberculosis—the scourge of mankind—is revealed in a report just released and compiled under direction of G. J. Drolet of the New York Tuberculosis and Health Association.
The Drolet survey covered 46 American cities and was based on preliminary reports furnished by the health commissioners of each city and other authorities. The date on TB deaths among Negroes applied to the years 1937 and 1938. Outstanding fact in the report was that in Boston Negroes formed only 6 percent of the total tuberculosis deaths.

LOUISIANA MAY KICK OUT ELLENDER; NEGROES GLAD

New Orleans, Feb., (by Robert McKinney for ANP)—The "political mess" in Louisiana has anti-Negro Sen. Allen J. Ellender behind the proverbial eight ball; local white dailies are picturing him as a helpless bird riding a weak branch, because his side-kick, Gov. Earl K. Long, whose ignorance has been very well exemplified through his radio talks in which he referred to Negroes in the most dastardly manner imaginable, is likely to be supplanted by anti-administration leader, Sam Jones.
Negroes throughout the state are rejoicing over Ellender's condition because of his firm conviction that "they should not seek law, order and justice, and should certainly not want the right to vote."
It is doubtful that Ellender, whose antics against the anti-lynch bill are well known, will be around to help Texas' Connelly kill it. Gov. Long and the rest of his constituents want him here to help them win the second primary which will be run off on Tuesday, Feb. 20. The local papers have started a program that is slated to kick Ellender out of his job; they say Ellender is "a bully," Negroes here unanimously agree that he is one of the most ignorant persons this state has ever had as a representative in the United States senate.

PEOPLE OF COLOR POTENT FACTOR IN LIFE OF BAHAMAS ISLANDS

"Brondog" (lower left) palatial residence of Hon. Thaddeus Augustus Tooto and Mrs. Clarita Catherine Tooto at Nassau, Bahamas Islands. Mr. Tooto, a distinguished barrister who received his college and legal training in England, is a member of the Board of Education, the Telephone Board, the Electrical Board, and is also a member of a number of other important commissions in the Bahamas. A former member of the legislative assembly, Mr. Tooto is well known in the United States where he has frequently been sponsor for the delegations of crack tennis players which have attended National Tennis Tournaments in this country.

Mr. and Mrs. Tooto are leaders in the delightful social life characteristics of Nassau, famed as a winter resort. Pictured above may be seen a group of friends gathered in the garden of the Tooto home after dinner in honor of Miss Etta Moten widely known concert and radio celebrity, a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Tooto in Nassau, last week. Left to right, top row: Mrs. Marguerite Kerr, Mrs. T. Augustus Tooto, Mrs. Etta Moten Barnett, Barrister T. Augustus Tooto, J. P. and Miss Ette North. Kneeling: Mr. Etienne Dupuch, Member House Assembly, Editor and Proprietor, Nassau Daily Tribune, the island's leading newspaper; Miss Alice Hill and Dr. G. S. Worrell, M. D., J. P.; Bottom row: Mrs. Orville de Gregory Lampkin, Miss Dorothy de Gregory, Mrs. S. A. Eldon, and Keva Eldon.



"Why don't you like dancing men?"
"I find those who are light on their feet are usually light in the head."

What a Break!
First Soldier—What's up, Bill?
Second Soldier—I sent my girl two letters every day since I went abroad, and now she's married the postman.—Atlanta Constitution.

The Perfect Host
Suitor—I wish to marry your daughter, sir.
Dad—Do you drink, young man?
Suitor—Thanks a lot, but let's settle this other thing first.

Mistaken Identity
Judge—Have you not appeared before me as a witness in this suit, madam?
Lady—No, indeed! This is the first time I've ever worn it.

Slightly Mixed
Oliver—Look, it's starting to rain!
Bobby—Yeah? I hope it keeps up!
Oliver—Whadya mean?
Bobby—Well, if it keeps up, it can't come down, can it?

Lucky Girl
"That teacup you broke yesterday can't be matched anywhere, Mary!"
"O, aren't I lucky, mum? I thought I should have to buy a new one!"—Montreal Star.

Getting a Lift
"My husband's nerves are that bad, 'e's afraid to ask his employer for a rise. Do you think it would do any good to give him a dose of 'em g tablets?"

His Future
Conductor—How old is your little boy?
Mother—Four.
Conductor—How old are you, little boy?
Boy—Four.
Conductor—Well, madam, I'll let him ride this time, but when he grows up he'll be either a liar or a giant.

ON THE LIST



Wife—We must give the Woodbe Swelles credit for setting a fine table.
Hubby—Yes, we might as well. I understand that's what their butcher and baker and green grocer do.

Appropriate Confession

"A nickel's worth of liquorice, please," said the little girl.
"I'm afraid I have no liquorice, dear," said the candyshop proprietress. "Must it be liquorice?"
"Yes, I'm afraid it must," replied the child. "You see, our candy is dead and I'm in mourning."
—Stray Stories Magazine.

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