

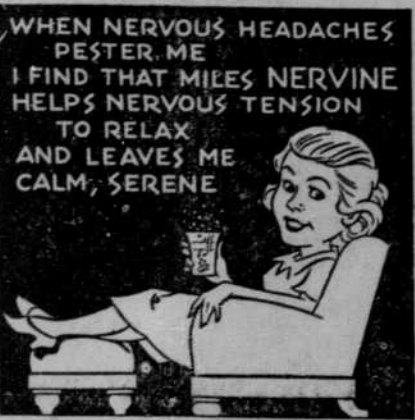
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DECEMBER 19 DATE OF ELLINGTON CONCERT AT CARNEGIE HALL

New York (PPNS) New Yorkers are marking their calendars for December 19, on which Duke Ellington, the master Maestro, will stage his third annual concert at famous Carnegie Hall. Following his procedure of preceding years, the Duke will buy out the hall and handle selling of duets himself.

Duke's first concert appearance at Carnegie Hall was a smashing success given gratis for the Russian War Relief. The maestro's concert tour is scheduled to begin December 1, and will cover most of the large cities. Included on his program is an engagement with the Los Angeles Philharmonic.

Henrietta Buckmaster To Write On Abolitionist

New York (C)—Appealing Henrietta Buckmaster, author of "Deep River," a powerful novel of Georgia just before the Civil War days, is planning a new story on William Lloyd Garrison. She says of John Jay Chapman's book on Garrison "a flame in literature." And then she demurely adds "that's what I want to achieve in my book—a dream of ideas."

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Baltimore, Md., (PPNS) Striking in quick succession, death claimed another prominent figure of the theatrical world this week when Arnold Thomas, pianist with Louis Jordan's Tympani Five, succumbed to an attack of ptomaine poisoning Friday last while appearing in this city. His death closely follows that of Orville "Hoppy" Jones, Ink—Spot's bass singer, who died a week ago at his home in New York.

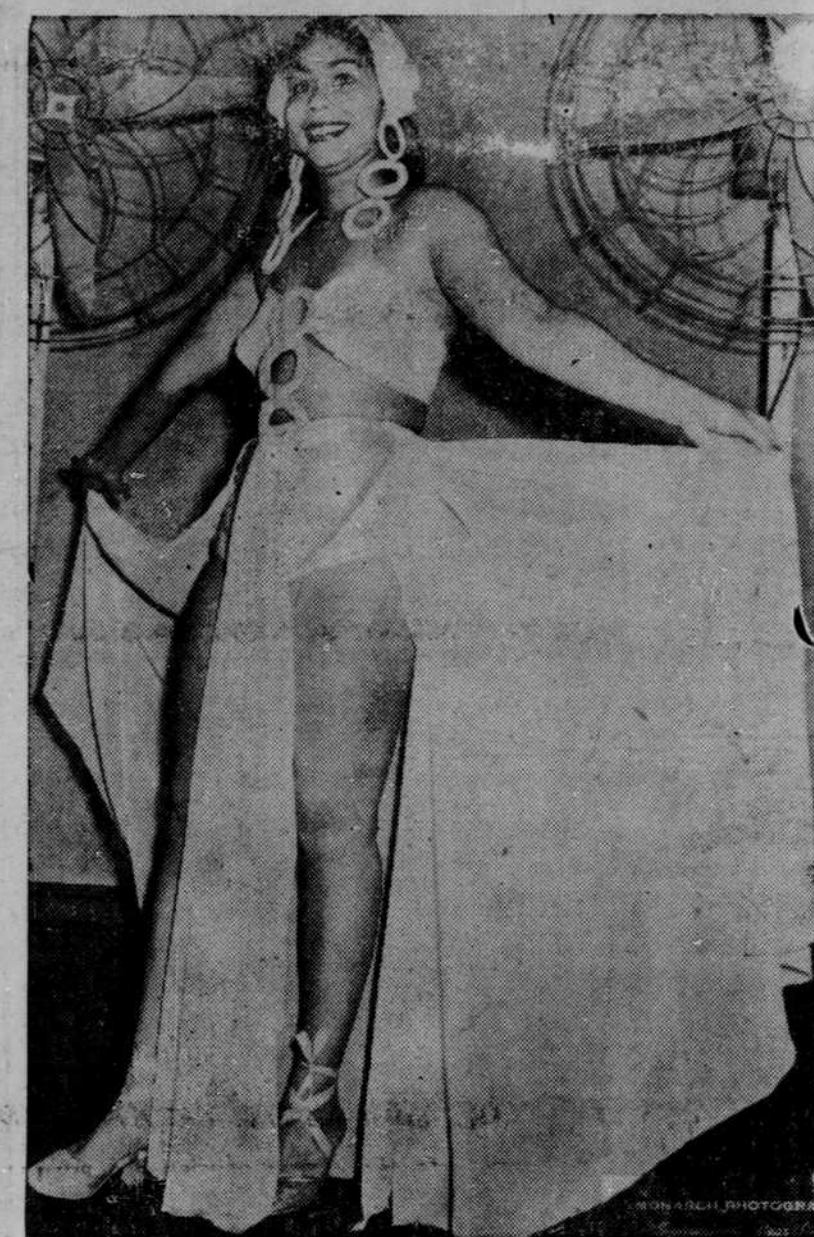
Thomas was one of the original members of the Jordan troupe which was formed in 1938, and since that time has reached the heights of popularity with their unique manner of improvisation, song hits and humorous antics. Thomas' solid style of a low beat boogie at the piano has acquired him a following of thousands of music lovers, who have seen the popular little band on the stage, and screen, or listened to the many recordings made by the quintet.

Thomas began his musical career at the age of 18, when he made his first New York appearance at the Capitol Bar in Harlem as a solo piano player. He later appeared at the famous Door in Swing Pan Al-



ARNOLD THOMAS

ley. Thomas' rise to success was not an easy one. At the age of three he contacted infantile paralysis, which he fought for ten years until finally he was able to command the use of his limbs, and took up dancing to combat the deadly paralysis. His home is in Syracuse, New York, where he was born in 1916.



"MISS OCTOBER" One of the many lovelies responsible for the success of the Annual Artists and Models Ball held Sunday at the beautiful Savoy Ballroom was charming Lucille Santiago shown as she strolled down the decorative ramp before a gay crowd that filled the

vast ballroom. Miss Santiago was chosen Miss October by a Camp Ellis Quartermaster Unit as their Queen of the month. She is a resident of the palatial Pershing Hotel and holds a position of V mailer with the Eastman Kodak Co. Her native home is New Orleans, La.

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FIGHTING NEGRO SEABEES HOME FOR BRIEF REST
(Continued from page 1)
Renard, completing this assignment by August 1943. At Russell's the detachment was subjected to constant enemy bombing until the completion of the New Georgia campaign in July. The Negro detachment experienced five casualties, consisting of three killed and two injured with minor burns in the operation of the fighter strip, caused during the crash of a Navy plane on the field.
The entire battalion was re-united in November 1943, in the Tulagi area with approximately one-half of the battalion quartered at Halavou, and the other half scattered over the adjacent Islands of Tulagi, Savo and Phillips Peninsula on Purvis Bay. The construction tasks at Halavou

Among the Best-notchers



MABEL FAIRBANKS, probably the race's only professional ice skater, just finishing a twirl. —CNS—

GIRL ICE SKATER IS TEARING DOWN RACIAL BARRIERS

MABEL FAIRBANKS SKATES AS SHE FEELS
by Bernice and Dolores Calvin
New York (CNS) Dimpled 19 year old Mabel Fairbanks is probably the race's only professional skater. Coming out of a twirl in true Sonja Henie style, she gracefully glided to the edge of the rink and told us "All I'm interested in is to become the best possible skater."

And she's well headed that way. People watching her work have been charmed by her grace and ease. With her innocent face in deep seriousness, she seems to soar into another world. Mabel's story is simple. She tells us "Five years ago, when I was 14, I came up from Jacksonville, Florida to live with my sister and take a business course. Then I saw a Sonja Henie movie and that changed everything. I wanted to skate more than anything else in the world. My first pair of skates cost me \$1.25 but they served the purpose."

At the Gay Blades, manager Lewis Clark saw her gliding over the ice and was greatly impressed by her rapidly—for after six months Mabel was mastering sit-down spins, spirals and stops which amazed veteran.

Champion skaters tutored her with out pay and in 3 years she made her debut on ice. Among her coaches was a famous Sonja Henie instructor, Howard Nicholson. Time Magazine (November, 1943) remarks that she "has turned up to skate figure eights around all but the top white performers."

Her manager and coach, Wally Hunter, who put an all out effort into Mabel's career, believes she's Harlem's Wonder Girl.

Creator of the Swanee Spiral, Flying Waltz Jump, Camel Parade, Elevator Spin, Jump Camel Combination Ace Dust Stop and the Twirling Sit Spin, Mabel is always searching for new names to call the steps she makes up. Now on a rigid schedule, she reads anything on ice skating; she makes it her hobby as well as her career.

With gleaming eyes she said: "There something so free about skating. I never skate by any rigid pattern. As soon as my feet feel the ice, something goes on inside of me and I make up all kinds of steps."

With those words, she whisked off from us. Watching her execute such dainty figures, we knew what she meant.

varied from marine railways, fueling docks, and coastal defense gun mounts, to harbor boat nests, lophins piers and considerable jungle and mountain roads for the Army defense. A unit at Tulagi took over and performed Naval Base maintenance, relieving the 27th Seabees until the arrival of the two CBMU's to release the battalion for assignment to Guadalcanal in March 1944.

The battalion was re-equipped with new housing facilities and a small quantity of new equipment and supplies early in 1944. The movement of the entire battalion personnel and equipment from the Tulagi area to Guadalcanal was completed in approximately six days aboard three LST's.

A new camp was set up on the beach at Kukum to accommodate 1200 men and 40 officers. The battalion duties were assigned by the Public Works Division of the Commander, Naval Base Guadalcanal. In two months the battalion has cleaned up the unfinished priority projects in addition to numerous newly authorized projects assigned during this period. The duty hours of this battalion ran from 8 to 10 hours a day, 7 days per week for the first year, and for the last five months the hours were 8 hours per day, 6 and one-half days per week.

Just before the men embarked for home, Capt. Mark L. Halsay, Jr., USN, Commander of the Naval base sent them the following unit citation "On the occasion of the completion

of your work in this area, covering a period of 20 months, I wish to take this opportunity to congratulate you and the officers and enlisted men of your command for the splendid record which you have made and the outstanding reputation which your Battalion enjoys. During this period your battalion has accomplished many outstanding feats of construction. Too many to mention in detail, which will stand as a monument to your ability and efficiency for many years after the U. S. forces leave this area. Many of these construction jobs were completed under great difficulties, including bombing attacks by the enemy, in which five of your men were killed and about 35 wounded. In spite of these difficulties and dangers, and the impracticability of giving your men rehabilitation leave, your battalion continued to work at top efficiency until the day it was ordered to secure.

"The best wishes of this command for future success and continued usefulness to the Naval service go with you and the personnel of your battalion."

After 30 days furlough, the 34th Battalion will be reassigned to duty. The Navy Department recently announced that, as of October 1, 1944, there were 12,337 Negro enlisted men in the Seabees, of whom 10,351 were assigned to special battalions.

Seen' Stars

(BY DOLORES CALVIN)

FOUR INK SPOTS WON'T BREAK UP;

NEW LEADER SAYS THEY "MEAN MUCH TO RACE"

by Dolores Calvin
NEW YORK CITY, (CNS) It seems as though troubles of all form and shape have piled up on lanky Billy E. Kny, one of the original Ink Spots, who is trying desperately to keep the trio together.

Since the recent shocking death of another original singer, "Hoppy" Jones and the \$10,000 robbery of the Jones Elmhurst home while its household was attending the funeral, Kny has had more headaches than aspirins to stop them with. The latest is the result of a bad business connection with the Moe Gale agency in New York and which the Ink Spots have been fighting sometime. The famous boys, now at the Zanibar, were once starving singers and Moe Gale took them "under his wing." Soon they were a hit and the highest paid quartet in the world.

Billy says that Moe Gale (whose affectionate title as "Great White Father" is quite misleading) takes 50 percent of their earnings plus an extra 10 percent for booking commission. This, Kny says, is highway robbery and we are inclined to agree with him. On the other hand, Moe says Billy is trying to take the quartet away from him and eliminate Deke Watson. To this, Billy is bringing in lawyers. We praise Billy for the challenge.

And we are reminded of the fact that Ella Fitzgerald, also under Moe's "wing," realizes a very small part of her earnings. A story goes that after touring the country with her new sensational ditty "A Tisket, A Tasket," Ella arrived in New York broke. She had to borrow money to get to her next engagement. This is an ex-



Songstress Lena Horne turns actress, when she plays the leading role in "You Were Wonderful," an eerie story of "Suspense," on Thursday, Nov. 9, at 8 p.m., e.w.t., over CBS. Program is sponsored by the makers of Roma Wines.

ample of the thousands of dollars that white managers nip from salaries of colored artists every pay day. Post reporter Earl Wilson finds that Billy earns now \$1,200 weekly and refuses to but up the Ink Spots except as a last resort. We admire Billy Kny—for the fight he's putting up and the reason he gives for holding on with his heart to the remaining trio. "It means so much to our race."!!!

THE ROVING REPORTER

Mrs. Marva Louis is Hollywood bound, voice and all, to the Trocadero. Just three years ago, Lena Horne quit New York's Cafe Society Downtown on a hunch and headed that way. Only the Troc's opening was postponed and Lena had to crash the movies another way. The road looks clearer now, Marva! The reason why Artie Belle McGinty, who played in Broadway's "Janie" for two years and went with it on the road, didn't land the Hollywood part is because the director wanted a Hattie McDaniel type—so he got Hattie! Rudolph Dunbar, correspondent with the 3rd Patton army says Negro soldiers have contributed 50 percent to the success of the invasion of France and have done a great job. Now, he intends writing a book.

BOWING OUT

Richard Bennett, father of the movies Bennett Sisters, who recently died played once on the bill with a Negro vaudeville team, Glenn and Jenkins.

The comedians are now touring for the USO in an all colored unit, "Let's GO." Well, Bennett appeared back stage with silk hat, white tie, black cape and cane. The funsters, in checked overalls, straw hats, loud suspenders and blackface, gazed at the remarkable Mr. Bennett, America's greatest actor. They laughed.

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