

I'VE BEEN AROUND New York

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Into Each Life Some Rain Must Fall . . .

(Too Much Is Falling In Mine!!)

The Trevor Bacons (he's Lucky Millinder's ex-vocalist) have fringed . . . It's a girl at the Ellen Tarry (Patton's) She's the author of Janie Bell and other juvenile best-sellers . . . Pops (Whitman) and Louie (Williams) sensational dance act scoring with Frank Sinatra—on tour . . . The Dick (Eva Newbolt) Boones—he's Tiny Bradshaw's m'ger—were definitely split a fortnight ago and he was to name an ork leader along with a celebrated trumpet player (it says here) . . . Cecil Cedric "tops" at the Onyx Club here . . . Jeri Smith, who is now wha'ming them at Club Ball in Englewood, N. J. will be backed by a 30-piece ork directed by Sammy Stewart when she debuts at Carnegie Hall, February 10 . . . Ex-columnist Maurice Dancer now an indoor chauffeur in downtown Gotham . . . Your dealer is hoarding ciggies if he informs you that there's none to be had.



Lucky



Louisa



Pops



Louie

Jean Parks, the honey with a honey of a band, selected Pin-Up favorite by the 335th Station Hosp. personnel "Somewhere along the Burma Road" . . . Alberta Pryme set for USO tour overseas . . . The late Joe Tanner, the real estate operator, left his widow sumpin' like two million, believe it or not! . . . Political Post-War Stuff: Marguerite Cartwright, Dept. of Welfare employee, relates that she was suspended by the department heads for wearing FDR earrings ON ELECTION DAY—a holiday!! . . . I liked best of all the cards received from my buddies from Over There the one penned by 1st Sgt. Jimmy Thompson, 4087th QMS Com. Co. Z ("Boy! Boy! Boy! It's Murder!!") the day he landed in Paris, France . . . And Irene Catalan, of Brooklyn, N. Y., one of our best social workers, is back at the Harlem Boys' Club. For which, goody-goody!! . . . Louisa E. Sainz and Antonio O'Neill Garcia both plan to middle-aisle.

Ella Fitzgerald, the thrush, averaging a soldier benefit a night while playing the Cafe Zanzibar here . . . Billie Holiday into Harlem's Apollo on Dec. 1st . . . Sotto Voce: PFC. Granville Atkinson ("Somewhere in Holland") write Elizabeth Welch, 1 Cottage Walk, London, England . . . Mortician Claude Sterrett's anticipate a blessed event! . . . Clyde Bernhardt, featured trombonist (formerly with Luis Russell) now appearing with Claude Hopkins' Band at the Cafe Zanzibar on B'way . . . Al Cowan's celebrated Tramp Band into the Backstage Club, in Frisco, on Dec. 3rd . . . Lulu Bates, star of the Hit Parade, appeared with a host of stars on the program "A Tribute to W. C. Handy"



Gale



Marguerite



Kenny



The Late 'Hoppy'

Cootie Williams and His Orchestra "sensational" on tour . . . Hall of Fame again "Biting" with Pat (Bach to Boogie-Woogie) Flowers . . . Lucky Millinder going great in Seattle, Washington . . . Off the Record (Hits): Tiny Bradshaw's "Straighten Up and Fly Right" and "Salt Lake City Bounce" (Regis), "Gee, Baby, Ain't I Good To You" with "Hot Lips" Page (Commodore), "Hurry, Hurry Blues" Lucky Millinder's Band with Wynnonie Harris on the vocals (Decca) . . . The Moe Gale vs. Billy Kenny (Ink Spots) court tilt was postponed to Dec. 4th. Legend: Orville (Hoppy) Jones, because of his seniority in years and family, the rest of the group sort of look to him to curb their youthful impulsiveness . . . Deep River Boys made V-disc records for the armed forces . . . Gerry (Dismond) Holland didn't get that post in Africa because she couldn't get a release from the Dept. of Health.

Dry Cleaners to Post Special List

So that customers may readily learn the maximum prices which retail dry cleaning and pressing establishments may charge for the more important services, all such firms will be required by January 15, 1945 to display on special posters their maximum prices for 12 main services, Hosea Evans, district OPA price executive, announced today.

The posters, which will be made available by local OPA boards at a later date to be announced, call for

four ceilings on each of the twelve listed services, Evans explained.

For men's wear, there are four items: suits, two or three piece; trousers; heavyweight overcoats, and lightweight overcoats.

For women's wear, there are eight items: suits, two-piece; plain dresses, plain blouses; jackets; plain skirts; sweaters; heavyweight coats; and lightweight coats.

In addition, cleaning establishments will still be required to file at the local OPA boards and have on their premises copies of their ceiling prices, representing highest prices charged in March 1942, Evans pointed out.

Big Three Back Loan Drive

The "Big Three" of Negro leadership this week told Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau, Jr., that Negroes intend to support the Sixth War Loan Campaign "not just because it is patriotic, but because it is a sound investment in the future."

The joint letter to the Secretary was signed by Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune, president, National Council of Negro Women; Walter White, executive secretary, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; and Lester B. Granger, executive secretary, National Urban League.

The current bond drive opened November 20th and will continue through December 16th.

The three outstanding leaders informed the Secretary that "Negroes are in this war as much as any other American," and that they too "yearn to see their loved ones return home as quickly as possible, and are bending every effort to hasten that day."

Setting forth their pledge of personal support, the letter said that they intend to "implore those for whom we profess to speak not to relax their efforts, either in work or in investment in war bonds. We know we shall continue to say," the letter adds, "that the link between the battlefield and the home front is a bridge of war bonds the purchase of which is essential to supply adequately the men who are carrying the fight to the enemy."

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