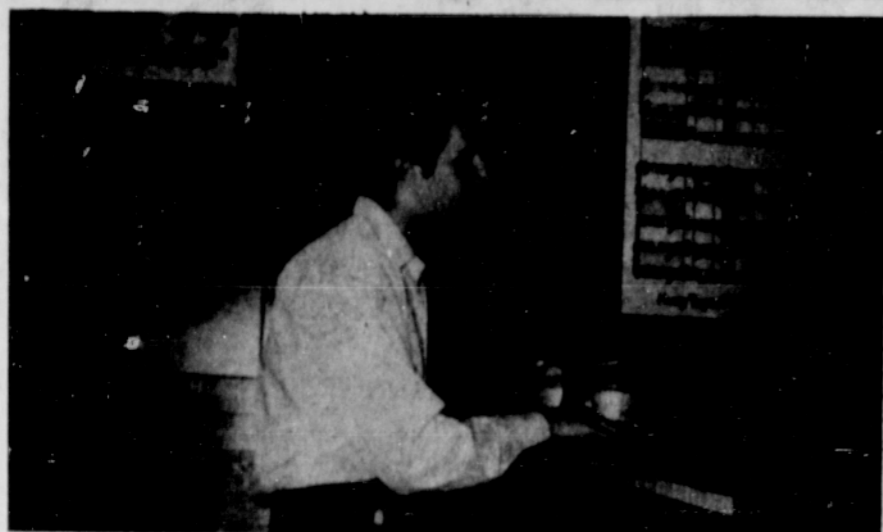


OBSERVATIONS

by Kathryn Hall Bogle



George Mitchell, 23-year-old pianist with Mel Brown and Phil Baker, bass, accompanied Nola Sugai Bogle at Maurice Lucas' party. Mitchell also often accompanies Diana Ross.



Nola Sugai Bogle sings at birthday party for Maurice Lucas. Mel Brown on drums in background approves.

Outside it was a cold February night.

Inside there was warmth and food on the fire. There was laughter and the clinking of champagne glasses.

A couple of hundred people were having a birthday party for Maurice Lucas. Maurice, the former Trail-blazer.

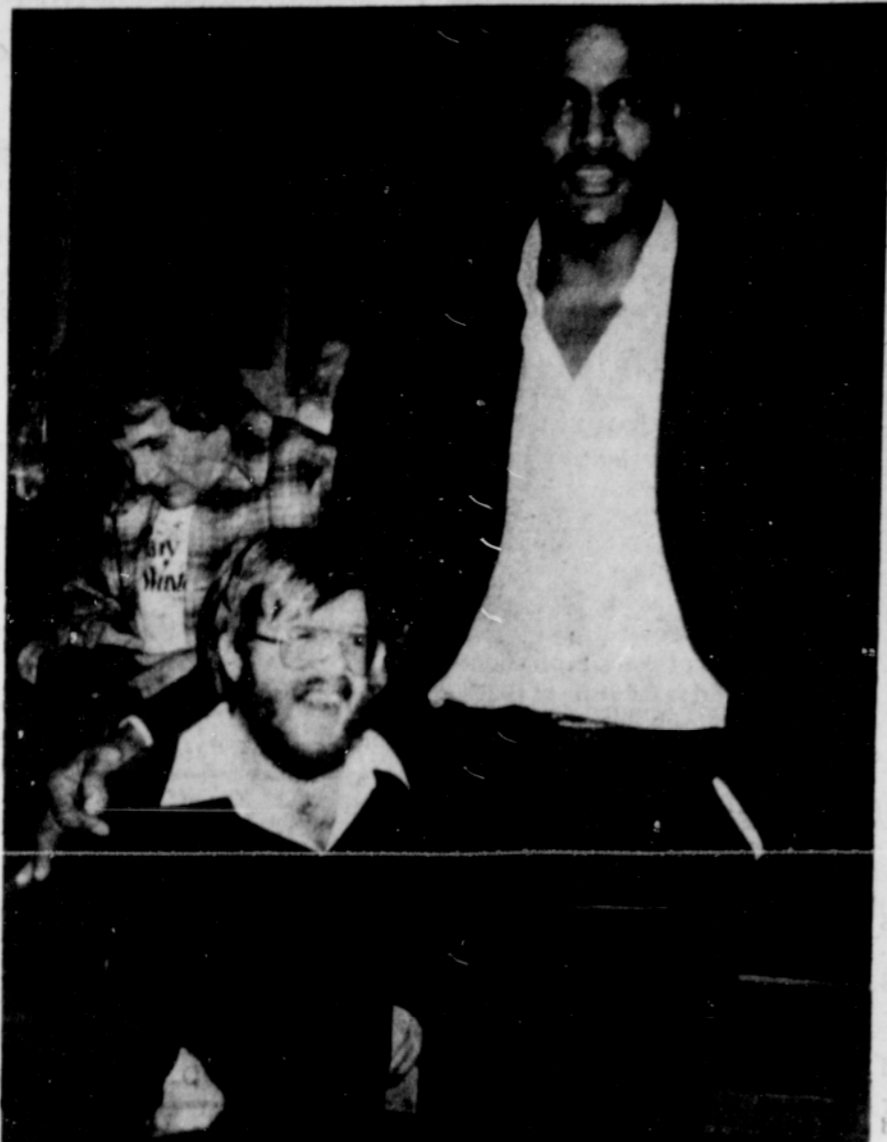
Down at Chuck's Steak House (owned by Don and Maria Lowe) on the river's front, fans had gathered to talk about the evening's Blazer game with the New York Knicks at the Memorial Coliseum. Fans also wanted to shake hands with their friend, Maurice Lucas—win or lose. Because it was Luke's birthday.

Luke did not disappoint his fans. After dinner he shook hands with everybody and posed for pictures by a score of photographers before he flew off with his current teammates.

A party is not a party without music. Nola Sugai Bogle led the crowd in the Happy Birthday song and then proceeded with three sets from her repertoire of golden-oldies. Although she has not sung professionally for a while, she was in good voice and her sultry, rich, deep tones flowed like satin.

Nola was accompanied by professionals like herself—the trio of music men who record with Diana Ross: Mel Brown, master of the drums, Phil Baker on bass, and that young genius, George Mitchell, at the piano.

Rita Lucas and one-year-old Maurice Lucas Jr. missed the party in Portland. They stayed at home in New York during this trip back to old haunts by the head of the family.



Frank Mannville, 4-7½, a KATU cinema-photographer, says, "Some of my best friends are tall," as he stands beside 6-9 Maurice Lucas.

Things to come

Njdeka Ebisi has just returned from several weeks in Nigeria visiting her family and friends in

Onitsha. While there, Ms. Ebisi catered a huge dinner for several hundred people in Lagos. She also brought back beautiful native

garments for men and women to add to her collection of things African at her S.E. Hawthorne shop.

Over at St. Andrews Community Church they are spreading the tablecloths again. Hazel Motley is chair person for the annual Four Seasons tea party, a part of the program of the Commission on Missions of the United Church of Christ. The tea will have the shine of silver donations on Valentine's Day at St. Andrews.

Hours for the tea are from 4 pm to 6 pm. The Spring table is under the direction of Shelly Pinex, Summer Table is by Grace Randall and her committee, the Fall Table is by Gwen Osborne and the Winter Table is under the direction of Hazel Motley.

Shamsud-Din has joined "Northwest Artists" in an art show devoted to Comics. The group has scheduled a reception on Sunday, February 21, from 3 to 5 pm on the campus of Marylhurst College. The show is expected to be open to the public from Feb. 21 to March 19. It promises to be quite different. The Mayer Gallery will be showing photos at the same time.

The campus galleries are housed in the reconstructed college gymnasium.

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Mr. Calvin has served in many positions of responsibility in the Shriners, notably with the Annual Children's Christmas Party, donation of food baskets for the less fortunate, and supporting the Youth Baseball Team.

Other officers elected were: Joseph H. Henderson, Chief Rabban; William H. Haygood, Asst. Rabban; Robert S. Isaacs, High Priest and Prophet; Andrew Childs, Oriental Guide; Lucius C. Ellison, Treasurer; John T. Blow, Recorder.

Mr. Calvin's program will include church visitations, Children's Christmas Party, food baskets for the needy, the Youth Baseball Team and involving the organization in various community projects.

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