

Noble Sissle to Retire from Stage

Famous Stage and Vitaphone Star to Devote His Time to the Promotion of Symphonic Dance Orchestra

PLANS TO RETIRE



Noble Sissle, famous stage and Vitaphone star.

NOBLE SISSLE, one of the creators and stars of the never-to-be-forgotten "Shuffle Along," "Chocolate Dandies" and other pioneer Negro stage successes, who returned from Europe on the Berengaria, on March 8th, has thrown a bombshell into the amusement business by announcing that at the conclusion of his forthcoming engagements, which take him back to Europe about the first of May, he will retire from active stage work.

In speaking of his just completed European tour, Mr. Sissle confided that it had been the most profitable and pleasant one in his career, and that in the short space of 13 months he has become one of the biggest box office attractions in England, and incidentally the highest paid single artist to ever appear in that country.

PLAYED AT PARIS CABARET

"It is an interesting cycle of events that prompts me to announce that I am retiring from the stage," said Mr. Sissle, in his usual serious manner. "I was engaged during the months of July and August last year to furnish and conduct a band at the Cafe Des Ambassadeurs in Paris and

while playing this engagement I came in contact with a great many



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friends that I had made while associated with the late "Jim" Europe, who, as you know, gave me my start in the amusement business. Their comments were all encouraging, and after hearing my orchestra, which was one of the sensations of Paris, a great many of them asked me why it was that no Negro had come forward to take the place of "Jim" Europe as a leader, organizer and promoter of dance orchestras. Irene Castle McLaughlin, for instance, said to me one night: "Noble, your band, with you conducting, reminds me of 1913 and the time when "Jim" Europe, Vernon Castle and myself first became famous. There has been no outstanding figure in the field of Negro music since Mr. Europe's tragic death, and since Vernon Castle and I always considered "Jim" one of the partners in business, I feel privileged to confer his crown upon you."

RECEIVES HIGH HONOR

"That was a little more than I expected from the woman who is generally credited as being responsible for the present dance craze. As the season went on and my band became more and more popular, I thought of what she had said, and although I had to dismiss my band at the con-

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Handicaps Spur Ambition, Proves Theodore Upshure

(Continued from Page 9) all ages; some of it sentimental, as his "Fond Memories" or "Farewell"

in memory of his mother. He may even introduce a tragic note with his "Tragedy," but his robust optimism never wanes. For gladsome strains of "Safe in Port" very adequately portray the final triumphs of those who struggle.

Luke Theodore Upshure has achieved success and his friends are many. Newspapers send their reporters to interview him, famous writers inscribe their good wishes in his book; Von Rucktesdiell, the German artist, has done his portrait in crayon, and Arthur Lee, the sculptor, has modeled a bust of him in bronze. A copy of this bronze is to be placed in the Metropolitan Museum of Fine Arts. But he has not lost sight of his ambition—the long-wished-for trip to Europe is just in the offing. Will not the warm sun of Italy and the friendly atmosphere of France spur him to greater efforts?

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Now, whether he had been given the right dope or whether it was a timely coincidence brought about by Fortune having at last taken compassion on the poor sucker is not definitely known, but the fact remains that shortly after his trip to the Righter of Mental Errors he invested a buck in a lottery and a few days later was presented with a hundred grand, the top donation. He promptly died of heart failure.

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