

BILLY ROWE'S Note Book

HEARTBREAKS AND HEADACHES.

The United Harlem Drug Fighters quietly celebrated the first anniversary of its program in the Harlem Hospital. The group made far bigger headlines just beyond a year ago clamoring for a place to treat those who had been weighted down by a monkey on their backs. What has been done deserved more than a passing note. The good that has been accomplished has been like a ray of sun shine knifing a light sliver through the darkness of a community confronted by a growing drug society. According to Martha Davis, executive director of the hard fought program, the UHDF, has been successful in converting some 60% of the addicts treated. Many of them are back in school or on their jobs. The great tragedy is that there's so little room and too few beds, for so few people really seem to care.

After a year the program is still allegedly staff poor with no counselling or recreational facilities. It only has volunteer nurses looking in and too often the doctor on call is out of hearing range. Soap and toilet paper, at times, are hard to find and often food is of a sort which causes riots in prisons. These are just some of the charges which have been lodged one year after.

Here because they have been caught up in the savagery of our time these are kids who betrayed their weaknesses to relieve their fears. Though most of them are from a background of poverty, fear and degradation too awful to be acceptable to any man of spirit, within the program many are showing a new kind of strength as they struggle against their fate.

FOR THINKING OUT LOUD---Martha Davis has told Joe Louis that the Methadone Treatment for drug addiction is more madness than method. As administered in too many cases it is more a "control than a cure." Louis, who's veepee of the Met. Health Services, is ideating opening a full service drug attack center in N'York with hopes of success so as to go national...Friends of Dorothy Miles, Buffalo, are very concerned about her sudden return to the hospital. Marshal Miles, her spouse and former Joe Louis mgr., is doing a bedside vigil...American Motors has donated a car for raffle luck to increase the Grambling-Morgan football charity net. ABC-TV is said to be kicking in 200-G's to televise the classic with 25-G's going to each team for moving the pigskin by the yards. It's a good show for the Urban League, be sure you show up from wherever you are...Happiness is a fella called David in the Jackie Robinson household. The son of the Baseball Hall of Fame great is in Africa doing some writing and fact finding in such a manner it's erasing some of the tragedy fate delt his mom and pop through his late older brother.

Charlie Tramell, who would rather sing than have his supper, is in line for honors from a Buffalo Citizen group for his summer work with cripple youngsters. Known as "Charlie the Tuna," he jumped into national headlines a season or so ago when he formed his own recording co. to wax his sounds after being turned down by major tallow factories...The committee appointed to evaluate the National Urban League's annual convention has just about completed its assessment. Chaired by Lee Archer, Equal Opportunity mgr., Gen. Foods Corp. the committee will term the Milwaukee event the best yet. That's quite a feather in the hat which acting director Harold Simms will soon hangup...Aaron Henry in the race for the Miss. House of Rep., needs considerable help. Don't sympathize, send a contribution and while you're doing it don't forget that Mayor Charles Evers is in the race for gov. of that badland state. It would change considerably should he land in the capitol...The Vic Tanny Health Studios, which blew 4-G's in fines when three Blacks were denied membership in Miami, may feel the wrath of several northern civil rights groups. Al Tate, Gwen Robinson and Evelyn Fair were the victors...A new line of "job attack" is expected to come out of the summit meeting of Operation Breadbasket Rev. Jesse Jackson just concluded in Chgo. "The Country Preacher's" latest slogan, "Nation Time" is being used as the title of a series of

Ark. AM & N Alumni Awards Scholarship

The Arkansas A M & N Alumni has again awarded a scholarship to an outstanding local student. Tommy Dorsey, the recipient graduated from Valley High with a 3.9 grade average and was also an all state basketball and track star.

Tommy's feat of maintaining his high grade average while participating in these two sports is a most spectacular accomplishment.

The scholarship awards have gone to several outstanding Las Vegans. Anthony Wright was the first recipient. He distinguished himself by graduating summa cum laude and receiving his Ph. A degree within 5 years.

Wright was Editor in Chief of the Arksawyer and was one of the Editors of the A M & N year book for 3 of the 4 years he attended college.

Tickets are on sale at the Moulin Rouge Barber Shop, Larry Wilburn's Sight & Sound and by Jimmy Gay at the Union Plaza Hotel.

The car will be on display each Friday, Saturday and Sunday until the raffle, at the West Owens Shopping Center.



Shown with the car, the Alumni will raffle off Sunday, September 26th at 5 P.M. L-R: Tommy Dorsey, this years Scholarship recipient, Zarita Williams, who the Alumni sponsored in the Miss Nevada Contest, and Anthony Wright, First Scholarship recipient.

street festivals in N'York with an eye towards a national run. The Jefferson County Imp. Corp., down there in Fayette, Miss. where Charles Evers is mayor, has withdrawn its money from the Jefferson County Bank. Its been re-deposited in the Citizen National. Citizen Nat. employs Blacks, Jefferson County does not...Dr. William M. Hall, Jr. has given up his professor's chair at Southern U. to become Quality Assurance Mgr. for Birds Eye Frozen Foods. It's a first for the Black side.--STAY LOOSE.

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Bobby Stevens & The Checkmates At UNLV

Bobby Stevens and the Checkmates will appear in a benefit performance for the Coalition for Alternatives to Welfare at Moyer Student Union, UNLV, Sunday, September 5th at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$2.00 in advance and \$2.50 at the door. Tickets are now on sale at Mr. B's Bag, Suzy Creamcheese, Rebel Britches stores on Decatur and across from the Boulevard on Twain, Sight and Sound on West Owens, and in the Student Union at the University. Everyone is invited to come on out and enjoy the music.

Wingy Manone Jazzing At Union Plaza

Wingy Manone, "Mr. New Orleans Jazz" to music lovers around the world, nightly proves that good music never dies, nor does it fade away, as he packs the Union Plaza's Theatre Lounge nightly with happy fans of the happy sounds.

With him during the Plaza engagement are some of the most outstanding musicians in the country and the beautiful and talented Cathy Graham, who possesses a fine voice and sparkling personality.

Wingy, of course, is on trumpet; Vic Ortiz, piano; "Red" Brown, fender bass; George Mosse, tenor sax; and Jimmy Manone, son of the living legend, is on drums.

Manone has appeared on all the major radio and TV programs of the past several decades, including the Bing Crosby Kraft Music Hall, Ed Sullivan, Steve Allen, Jack Paar, Jackie Gleason and every major nitery in America and Europe.

He has been described by noted critics as being "as real as Dixieland itself" during the more than 35 years he has been a recording star for 16 top labels including Decca, Capitol, Columbia, Brunswick and Coral.

Manone and his group do four shows nightly, starting at 10 p.m. through 4 a.m., in the Plaza's intimate Theatre Lounge just off the hotel casino.

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