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### BITS OF THIS AND THAT

Dizzy Gillespie, bearded jazz trumpeter, Louis Armstrong, brow wiping trumpeter, Duke Ellington, Ray Nance, Cat Anderson, and Dakota Staton gave viewers of the Timex All-Star Jazz Show a million-dollar hour for just the flick of the switch. The hour raced by too quickly.

Eddie "Rochester" Anderson rates as a true comic. Some of these old movies let the younger generation enjoy his antics.

Lena Horne and Dorothy Dandridge were seen on local movies--tv style, last week. Two beautiful girls finally reached the top, but they don't get the acclaim.

Althea Gibson has written her life story; she has been singing, and now she wants to act. A triple threat girl. She isn't satisfied with merely winning the two top tennis championships and being named the top woman athlete for two consecutive years. She was listed as one of the prominent women of the year.

Marian Anderson polled in the first ten most admired women of the year. She placed in the first ten in 1957, too. Mahalia Jackson was named in the honorable mention group of entertainers.

Art Farmer, who grew up in Phoenix, and studied in Los Angeles, and studied in Los Angeles, has been named by Downbeat Magazine as one of the most promising new jazz stars of the year.

He played with Horace Henderson, Johnny Otis, and Lionel Hampton. He is with the Gerry Mulligan group now. Although young, he has mastered the trumpet, and plays anything from Bach to boogie. His twin brother, Addison, is a well-known bass player and the boys' new album was recently released.

Clara Hall and combo made beautiful sounds at the Femmes d'Art New Year's Party.

Louis Jordan enjoyed listening to music for a change. He took a break from his Las Vegas show to attend the Kappas Black and White Formal.

Frank Silvera portrayed a gangland character in the recent Playhouse 90 production "Seven Against The Wall." This Negro

actor has been cast in all kinds of roles and few viewers realize his race or seemingly care. Television and movie officials should

take a lesson and stop hiring Negroes for singing or dancing roles or servant parts.

Gospel singer Mahalia Jackson appeared on the Gary Moore Show.

Singers winning friends and fortune outside of the USA include Johnny Mathis shaking up the girls in Australia, and Clyde McPhatter wowing them in Montreal, Canada.

The Desilu Theatre production "Silent Thunder" last Monday night was adapted from a screenplay by Negro actor James Edwards.

New recording of Handy's ever popular "St. Louis Blues" features new male vocalist Richard Cannon. It is on a Capitol label.

Lionel Hampton continues to break records at the Riviera in Las Vegas. Peter Lind Hayes Show was spiced last month with Mickey and Sylvia harmonizing. This week, Bubbles, the other half of that old vaudeville dance team, Buck and Bubbles, showed the sparkle of an old song, and he can still dance with the best of them.

Dinah Washington refuses she was fired from a white New Orleans night club. She said she quit because of racial insults from the patrons.

A new rock'n roll quartet, billed as Doc Buzzard and the Vultures, have hit the road.

Harry James hired Negro singer Ernie Andrews, saying race didn't matter because this cat can swing.

Ella Fitzgerald reveals her secret for remaining on top for 20 years. "I'm just trying to be me." She has little use for gimmicks or dramatics while singing.

Jackie Robinson began a new 30-minute radio show in New York. He will present taped interviews highlighting stories of persons who were successful despite handicaps.

When nothing seems to help, I go and look at a stonecutter hammering away at his rock, perhaps a hundred times without as much as a crack showing in it. Yet at the hundred and first blow, it will split in two, and I know it was not that blow that did it, but all that had gone before. - J.A. Riis

Whenever you are angry, be assured that it is not only a present evil, but that you have increased a habit. - Epictetus

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