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**ROMANY MARIE** (extreme right), the Grand Old Lady of Greenwich Village, celebrated her 73rd birthday last Friday. One of the most celebrated "friends of the impoverished" during the days when the Village was Bohemia, Mrs. Marie Marchand, which is her real name, fed and succored hundreds of artists and writers in the various restaurants she opened from time to time. Romany Marie was surrounded by friends at the informal birthday party in her new home on West 18th Street, where she was forced to move when she could not find a Village apartment. Toasting her are (from left to right): MRS. FISHER TOLKA, MILLIE KING, ROBERT CLEMENT, ETHEL BALDWIN, and RICHARD MURPHY.

## Elmer Rice, Other Literary Figures To Teach at NYU

Playwright Elmer Rice will be one of seven literary figures who will teach at NYU either this summer or during the 1957-58 academic year.

Others will include critics Alfred Kazin and John W. Aldridge; Professor Leslie Fiedler, who will offer a course on the American novel between the wars; William Phillips, editor of the Partisan Review; Dr. Giles E. Dawson, curator of books and manuscripts for the Folger Shakespeare Library; and Professor Walter Gustafson, chairman of Upsala College's English department.

Mr. Rice, a Pulitzer Prize-winner, introduced the Expressionistic play into the American theatre with "The Adding Machine" in 1923. He also wrote "Street Scene," "Dream Girl," and many other plays.

## Photography, Music, Psychiatry Classes At New School

Photographer Berenice Abbott, composer John Cage, and psychiatrist Theodore S. Weiss will be among those giving courses at the New School's summer session.

Miss Abbott will conduct a workshop in basic photography; and Dr. Weiss, who is senior psychiatrist of the Department of Hospitals, in the prison ward at Bellevue, will take as his overall topic, "The Individual Criminal: His Development and Characteristics."

Two Courses  
Mr. Cage will conduct two courses: "Virgil Thomson—the Evolution of a Composer," and a class in composition of experimental music.

Registration is now open at the school, which is located at 65 West 12th Street. The above classes all begin on June 18.

## Voice-Shep Jazz Concert

The Village Voice and Jean Shepherd will present their second midnight jazz concert, "Music for Night People," Saturday, June 15, at Loew's Sheridan Theatre in the Village.

This first of a series of Village jazz concerts will be produced in conjunction with Art D'Luoff, well-known impresario, who last fall staged the "Jazz at the Academy" series at the Brooklyn Academy.

Jean Shepherd will MC the concert, which will feature the Modern Jazz Quartet, the Charlie Mingus Quintet, the Randy Weston Trio, and many more top jazz artists whose names will be announced shortly.

The winter jazz concert, sponsored by the Village Voice and Jean Shepherd at Town Hall, was a sellout.

Tickets, which will be \$2 for all seats, will be available shortly.



Juster-Cook

**HOLLYWOOD** just acquired screen rights to Villager HENRIETTE ROOSENBURG's extraordinary story, "The Walls Came Tumbling Down," which deals with her adventures, accompanied by two other Dutch girls and a man, while escaping through Russian occupied Europe after being freed from a Nazi prison. Miss Roosenberg, who works for Life magazine, is at present visiting her native Holland. Robert Rossen will produce and direct the film.

## Police Phone Service To Check Youth Gangs

The Police Department's Youth Division has established three direct lines for the public, which will be manned on a round-the-clock basis to receive complaints or information about the illegal activities of youth gangs or misbehavior by youth. The telephone numbers are: CA 6-6842-3-4.

Calls will bring police units to the scene of any disturbance in the fastest possible time.



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**O' PARADISO.** The former NANCY DEVLIN is congratulated by **BERT LAHR** after her midnight marriage to **CHRIS BOHN** at the First Presbyterian Church, 12th Street and Fifth Avenue. Mrs. Bohn, who is in the cast of "Hotel Paradiso" in which the comedian stars, rushed from the theatre to her wedding, last Saturday night, accompanied by most of the cast. The bride's sister, actress KATHY NOLAN, flew in from Hollywood to be maid of honor, and CATHY ERINE, 8, the widower-bridegroom's little girl, acted as Junior bridesmaid. Mrs. Bohn is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth Schrum of West 11th Street. Her father, who is known professionally as Stephen Ellsworth, is host on TV's "Catholic Hour." The groom's mother, Mrs. Alfred C. Bohn, lives on Horatio Street. The couple have taken an apartment on Bank Street.

**CALLED OFF.** The NYU open discussions on automobiles, driving, and traffic, under the school's Center for Safety Education, have been

canceled because of the lack of attendance at earlier meetings. The talks had been held at the Waverly Building on Wednesday nights.

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