



During the 67th annual convention of the International Platform Assn. in Washington, D. C., **Lou LuTour** was elected to the board of governors and poetry chairman of the body . . . New York Gov. **Nelson Rockefeller** tapped **Col. John D. Silvera** of the state Office of Urban Affairs to head up a new community relations detachment in the state Army National Guard to recruit more blacks . . . Out on Long Island around **Amityville**, 15 guys and a doll, all owners of cabin cruisers, formed the all-black **Breezy Point Yacht Club**. It makes one feel good to see these folks doing their nautical thing . . . Veteran actress **Butterfly McQueen** is taking over the Bert Wheeler Theatre each Monday in August for evenings of sketches, dances etc., called *A Happening With Butterfly McQueen And Her Friends* . . . Mammoth 400-pound singer **Baby Huey** is ailing a bit out Chicago way . . . **Sam and Dave** were doing such a bang-up blast at the New York Cheetah that the management tossed a party for them near the end of their stint . . . At the opening of his month-long run at the Rainbow Grill, **Duke Ellington** had organ whiz **Wild Bill Davis** sit in on piano as luscious-looking thrush **Joya Sherrill** socked out some sounds . . . Candidate for best-dressed man in town is **Ronnie Holly**. But why not? He owns two clothing stores . . . Up in Westchester County, **Ella Fitzgerald** fans are agog over her appearance at the Mount Vernon Memorial Stadium . . . At the Royal Box, **Hines, Hines and Dad** opened a three-week stint with vocalist **Thelma Houston** as an added attraction . . . Michigan State grad **Theresa Brown** left her copywriting job with Doubleday and Co. to become trade press representative with Group W (Westinghouse Broadcasting Co.) . . . **Chico Hamilton** has things sizzling at Plaza 9. —BOBBIE BARBEE