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**NEAR MISS —** Pat (Pasquale) Foti, who has played the tenor sax professionally, was especially interested in meeting Duke Ellington during his recent one-night stand here.

After the Assumption High School concert, Pat hurried to the Dixon Hotel where the band was staying. But Ellington didn't show up, and finally Pat got a telephone call.

"You'd better hurry home, boss," one of Pasquale's restaurant employes informed him. "Ellington is eating pizza and signing autographs over here."