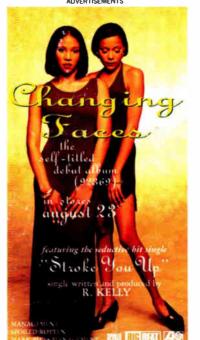
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## **PGD Policy Seeks An End To Front-Line Price War**

PolyGram

A BILLBOARD EXCLUSIVE

NEW YORK-Music merchants, bloodied by a year-long price war, are about to get some relief: PGD says it will suspend business with accounts

if they sell its front-line product below cost.

Retail accounts, given advance word by phone one day before the distributor's policy letter

was sent out Aug. 11, reacted positively to the PGD initiative, and called on other manufacturers to follow suit. Executives at the other majors decline to comment but privately some called the move "ballsy," and said it was good for the industry.

According to the PGD policy letter, effective Sept. 6, PGD "will no longer deal with any PGD customers" who sell its front-line titles to consumers at prices below cost. Retail accounts that violate the policy will be termi-

directly from the company for a 90day period, commencing on the violation date. Key ingredients of the policy are:

• It only applies to retail accounts,

exempting onestops and rackjobbers which do not sell direct to consumers;

• "Cost" is defined strictly as boxlot prices, without factor-

ing in deals or discounts;

• Mid-line and budget product are excluded from the policy;

• Accounts with sanctions against them can request to resume buying direct from PGD after the 90-day pe-

The PGD policy also applies to cas-(Continued on page 101)

of Southeast Asia, nightclub

dancefloors begin filling up with

sounds and sights that may seem

both familiar and exotic to West-

spondents Glenn Smith in Tai-

wan, Gary Van Zuylen in Thai-

land, and Mike Levin in Hong

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ern audiences. Con-

sider: catching a

reggae set in Taipei;

a live shark swim-

ming below the

dancers in Bang-

kok; or ladies' night

to the beat of Canto-

pop in Hong Kong.

Billboard corre-

## **South African Quota Debated** Biz Seeks Airplay For Local Music

BY ARTHUR GOLDSTUCK

JOHANNESBURG-This summer has seen an upsurge in activism by South African musicians, and unprecedented unity within the recording industry, over the longstanding issue of a local music quo-

ta on radio and television stations

Musicians marching through the streets and staging sit-ins at radio stations have brought the flavor of civil-rights protests to the quota issue, which is coming to a climax af-(Continued on page 107)

## 'Totoro' Cuddles Up To U.S. Kids

Fox Builds Awareness For Japanese Vid

BY TRUDI MILLER ROSENBLUM

NEW YORK-Walk into any toy store in Japan, and you are likely to find an entire wall devoted to a furry, cuddly creature called Totoro, star of the Japanese animated film "My Neighbor Totoro." Japanese children read Totoro storybooks, write with Totoro pen-and-pencil sets, eat from Totoro lunch boxes, and sleep with plush Totoro dolls,

while their parents can make calls with Totoro phone cards.

American kids, of course, are just beginning to learn of Totoro. Fox-

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#### **RCA's Jennings Gets The Beat Is On: Club Hopping** Inspiration In L.A.

BY PETER CRONIN

NASHVILLE-His fellow Highwaymen Johnny Cash and Willie



Nelson may have preceded him in the artistic pilgrimage, but with the Sept. 13 RCA release of "Way-

more's Blues (Part II)," Waylon Blues (Continued on page 27)



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## **Island's Cranberries Hope Hits Linger**

BY THOM DUFFY

LONDON-After worldwide success with the gentle hit "Linger," the Cranberries

O'RIORDAN

are reasserting their Irish identity and their rock'n'roll roots with "Zombie," a melodic but hardedged song about the political violence of Northern

Ireland. Slated as the first single from the Cranberries' second album, "No (Continued on page 92)

ping around the Pacific Rim. When darkness falls in the cities

**Around The Pacific Rim** 

#### TAIWAN: HEAVEN & HELL

TAIPEI-July 13, 1994, 11:33 p.m. The Taiwanese capital was experi-

encing its longestever live drum solo as Randy & Jah Roots, a pick-up band of foreign musicians who happened to be passing through town, were hit by a power blackout in mid-performance.

The darkness inspired the crowd of up-and-coming Taiwanese twentysomethings and already-arrived (Continued on page 69)

#### PY VOID

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This Fall

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#### Martina McBride Hits No. 1 With RCA Set PAGE 16





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## **RIAA Reports 12.4% Hike in Shipments**

## Retail Sales of Current Recordings Strong In 1st Half

NEW YORK-Shipments of audio recordings to retail and other accounts by members of the Recording Industry Assn. of America amounted to 426.7 million units during the first half of 1994, a 12.4% increase over the same period last year.

In dollar terms, these shipments totaled a record \$4.8 billion, an 11.9% increase over the corresponding number from 1993, according to the RIAA.

Jay Berman, the association's chairman, attributes the double-digit growth to "the tremendous success of so many current hits" rather than to the strength of catalog sales. Berman says, "We did go through a period of years-and I don't know how many, exactly-when the CD eventually emerged as a configuration of choice [and] people began to replace either their vinyl albums or their cassettes with CDs, and we had an enormous catalog business.

"I don't think that's what's happening today in terms of our growth, and that's what I'm trying to emphasize—that we've had an enormously successful six months in 1994, and it is attributable to what's going on now.

The release of the RIAA's mid-year statistics follows a period of controversy over the accuracy of the numbers. Following the year-end 1992 report from the RIAA, two of its member companies-Sony Music Distribution and Cema Distribution-complained that the upbeat figures the association reported were inconsistent with their own less rosy findings (Billboard, April 10,

The RIAA responded by suspending the release of its 1993 mid-year figures while it conducted a review of its reporting methodology (Billboard, Oct. 16, 1993). Berman says the review yielded minor adjustments that have been implemented, allowing the RIAA to resume its semi-annual reporting

One visible change in the association's report is a breakout of shipments to retailers, which Berman says was included to quell complaints from retailers and distributors that RIAA figures did not always reflect the condition of the retail base.

"Retail still represents an overwhelming portion of our business," says Berman. "In the past, when we reported total numbers, some people said, 'Gee, that doesn't reflect my business,' so what we've tried to doparticularly since retailers tend to comment on our shipment numbers-is break

them out so that people will have a clearer sense of what the increase is attributable

Shipments to retail-which, the RIAA estimates, make up 84% of the music business-rose 8.8% in dollars and 5.5% in units during the first half of 1994 compared to the same period last year, according to the association. Dollars and unit totals for these retail shipments were not made public by the RIAA.

However, SoundScan's mid-year projected unit figures-which, Berman admits, prompted the RIAA's retail breakout—indicate that 309 million units were sold at retail during that period, a 6.1% increment over last year's mid-year total of 292 million units.

Other highlights of the RIAA report:

- A 26.2% increase in CD album units (up 20.9% in dollar value);
- A 4% decrease in cassette album units (down 4.8% dollar-wise);
- A dramatic, 80% increase in vinyl LP/EP units, which Berman attributes to a "nostalgia-driven" resurgence of the format;
- A healthy, 10.8% increment in CD single units (up 15.2% in dollars);
- A 4% increase in cassette single units, accompanied by a 3% decrease in dollar value for the format;
- A 21.8% decline in vinyl single units (down 19.3% in dollars);
- And a 26.5% rise in music video shipments (up only 4.2% in dollar value). (Continued on page 101)

## **Michael Announces Intention To Appeal High Court Verdict**

LONDON-Fulfilling a promise made on the day of his defeat in the High Court here, George Michael has formally declared his intent to appeal the judgment in his restraint-of-trade case against Sony

The notice of appeal has been drafted by Michael's counsel, Mark Cran of Sheridans, who handled the singer's case against Sony Music Entertainment (U.K.)

Michael seeks to have the June 21 verdict by Justice Jonathan Parker overturned. The judge in the 75-day trial rejected both of Michael's central arguments: that his deal with Sony amounted to a restraint of trade, and that it contravened Article 85 of the Treaty of Rome, which deals with freedom of trade within the European Community (Billboard, July 2).

The appeal will be heard before three judges, and is likely to consist of legal arguments on the issues of restraint of trade and European law, rather than further gathering of evidence. Michael is understood to be seeking a hearing as early as possible next year, and it is anticipated that the appeal will last at least four

If Michael's appeal is unsuccessful, he

the land, the U.K. Parliament's upper chamber, the House Of Lords, Yet another stage of appeal after that would be to take it to the European Court of Justice in The Hague, Netherlands.

Michael's publisher, Dick Leahy, who has acted as the artist's spokesman and aide during the trial, says the next course of action has not been considered. "We're not even thinking beyond the appeal. We all feel that the arguments were not properly considered, and we're confident that when these arguments are presented to three judges who are interested in making decisions on laws and on precedents, that we'll have a better chance.'

Leahy adds, "It was always in our minds that we might fall at the first hurdle, the way the system works here."

Discussing Michael's current frame of mind, Leahy says, "All this delay is hurting him. He just wants to get on with recording an album, and he won't do that with [Sony].

Leahy says there has been no contact between Sony and Michael since the trial.

Executives from Sonv were unavailable for comment at press time.

The costs of the appeal are understood to be substantially less than the full cost of a trial.

#### THIS WEEK IN BILLBOARD

#### BMG BUYS ITALY'S BIGGEST INDIE By purchasing a majority stake in the Italian independent label

Ricordi, BMG almost doubled its share of the Italian market. It also sparked an uproar among European indies and within the nationalist Italian press. Mark Dezzani and Wolfgang Spahr cover all the angles.

#### WORLD MUSIC, PUTUMAYO STYLE

Putumayo, the clothing and crafts retail chain that launched a series of world music compilations in 1992, is expanding its activities in that arena with a new distribution deal and an eightcity tour featuring leading acts in the genre. Paul Verna has the Page 72

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## **Wal-Mart Wants To Deal Direct**

## Vid Vendors Approached On Shipping Policies

■ BY SETH GOLDSTEIN

NEW YORK-Wal-Mart wants to eliminate the middleman in home video, at least for direct-to-sellthrough releases and key catalog promotions.

In the wake of its sale of rackjobber subsidiary Western Merchandisers to Anderson News (Billboard, June 18), Wal-Mart has been approaching vendors for terms on direct shipment of product to its distribution centers. The studios, eyeing the sales Wal-Mart has generated for Disney as a direct account, are interested.

Disney, meanwhile, reportedly is strengthening its own direct relationships with a test of under-\$10 pricing that could rival promotions like the McDonald's \$5.99 offer skewered by studio chairman Jeffrey Katzenberg at the Video Software Dealers Assn. convention in Las Vegas (Billboard, Aug. 6). Columbia TriStar Home Video

has already made it known that it's interested in the Wal-Mart proposal, according to several trade sources. although the studio wasn't available for comment at press time. MCA/Universal Home Video is reported to have rejected a Wal-Mart pitch for direct delivery of "Jurassic Park," but may be open to a wider selection. Another supplier, considered to have a strong sell-through selection, told Billboard, "we're analyzing the concept." Conversations, initiated several weeks before the July 23-27 VSDA convention are

continuing.
Some sell-through veterans think the studios would be smart to end talks now because none has the catalog necessary to sustain a direct account that demands a steady stream of new releases. "Except by sheer force of product, there's no way Wal-Mart is going to successfully run this program," one observ-

Nonetheless, if Wal-Mart and the studios come to terms, home video executives anticipate similar proposals from Kmart, Caldor, and oth-'It's not just Wal-Mart anymore," says one.

The development is good news and bad news for Handleman, which racks about 800 Wal-Mart stores, and Western Merchandisers, responsible for the remainder. Neither will enjoy surrendering any part of its business, but as another wholesaler points out, "Nobody makes money on the hits." Handleman lost a big chunk of revenues when Disney went direct with Wal-Mart and continued to register gains in home video, up 3% to \$389.5 million for the fiscal year ended

Wal-Mart, whose executives were unavailable for comment, doesn't have the computer systems in place to handle more profitable catalog product, so for the near term that portion of rack operations is secure, sources indicate. The future is a question mark, however.

Except for music and video, says a studio executive, Wal-Mart "doesn't deal with middlemen." He considers the current push for hit releases a step in the direction of eliminating the racks. Provided Wal-Mart staffers are savvy enough not to break street dates on new titles and know when to reorder, his company could benefit from "a tremendous lift in sales" by going direct. "Now you're a partner. We're looking at it." Wal-Mart is thought to account for 11%-14% of sales of major titles and as much as 15%-16% of Disney hits.

Disney has nutured a special relationship with Wal-Mart and other direct accounts, servicing the stores with a thoroughness that other studios would not expect to duplicate. In the deals being contemplated, says a

er maintains. "That's why there are rackrobbers." studio executive, Wal-Mart "would probably get stock clerks to do" probably get stock clerks to do' tasks that Disney currently handles.

The studios ought to tread carefully, however. "Over the long term, it's foolish" for most of the majors, warns a sell-through veteran who has had plenty of mass-merchant experience.

"They can't generate the sales volume to merit the inventory they would be putting in," he says. This source doubts that even Disney has sufficient catalog to continually replace tired titles with fresh ones. 'There's a cost involved in all this,' he adds. "It's why a rackjobber gets paid what he does. It can be very expensive.'

## Mickey, Tag Team Are New **Disney/Bellmark Rap Team**

■ BY CRAIG ROSEN

LOS ANGELES-With its soundtrack to "The Lion King" sitting on the throne of The Billboard 200 for the sixth consecutive week, Walt Disney Records and its star mouse will team up with another maverick independent, Bellmark, and its leading act, Tag Team, for "Mickey Un-

The album, set for Sept. 13 release, marks Walt Disney Records' first foray into rap and the first time the label has paired with another company on a non-soundtrack release.

Disney will release the parody album, which includes performances by Whoopi Goldberg (also featured in

"The Lion King") and Color Me Badd, and such songs as "Ice Ice Mickey," "Ducks In The Hood," and "U Can't Botch This.'

Bellmark will release the single of "Whoomp! (There It Went)," a collaborative send-up of the duo's monster hit "Whoomp! (There It Is)." The single, due Sept. 1 on cassette and CD, features Tag Team rapping with Disney characters.

Bellmark also plans a maxisingle, with at least four remixes, tentatively due in mid-October.

A videoclip, which Tag Team member Cecil Glenn describes as "Roger Rabbit-styled," is also in the works. Bellmark plans to promote the single at top 40 and R&B radio. "We have a lot of promotions on the drawing board, including trips to Disneyland and Disney World," says Bellmark Records president Al Bell.

The album will be a natural at the slowly growing children's radio format. Gary Landis, executive VP of programming at the Minneapolisbased Radio AAHS children's radio network, which has 18 affiliates across the country, has yet to hear the album, but is looking forward to the release. "I have confidence in Disney's product, and we have plenty of room for novelty songs," he

The "Mickey Unrapped" marketing blitz will kick off Monday (15), when Disney launches a month long direct-response campaign on cable television. The 60-second spot will star Tag Team and Mickey Mouse. Via an 800 number, consumers will be allowed to purchase the cassette or CD weeks before its official street date, and will receive a premium—a "Mickey Unrapped" baseball capnot available at retail. The price through the direct-response offer is \$11.95 for cassette and \$16.95 for CD, approximately a dollar more than the suggested retail price.

Mark Jaffe, VP of Walt Disney Records, says the direct-response advance offer is "designed as more of a promotional vehicle. Sure we will have some sales over the phone, but the reason we are doing the direct-response campaign is to create broadbased awareness by the time the album hits the streets.'

Steve Walker, senior VP of the Philadelphia-based, 170-store The Wall Inc. chain, says the album has good sales potential. "I wouldn't underestimate anything that Disney does." But he is unhappy about the label's direct-response campaign.

"Any situation where any album is



Setting A Record. At the annual membership meeting of the National Music Publishers' Assn./Harry Fox Agency in Los Angeles, president/CEO Edward P. Murphy announced that the HFA exceeded a record \$300 million in distributions in 1993. Shown after the meeting, from left, are Irwin Robinson, chairman of the NMPA/HFA and chairman/CEO of Famous Music Corp.; Misa Watanabe, chairman of the Watanabe Music Publishers Co. and president of the Music Publishing Assn. in Japan; Murphy; and Bruce Lehman, assistant secretary of commerce and U.S. commissioner of patents and trademarks, who was keynote speaker for the meeting.

## 'Four Weddings' Toasted For Surge in PolyGram Sales

■ BY DON JEFFREY

NEW YORK-Although PolyGram had few mega-selling albums in the first half of this year, it scored surprisingly well at the box office with the small-budget film "Four Weddings And A Funeral," a factor that helped boost net sales by 14% during this period. Profits also rose 14%.

For the six months that ended June 30. London-based PolyGram reports net income of \$132 million on sales of \$2.04 billion, compared with profit of \$115 million on sales of \$1.79 billion in the same period last year.

But PolyGram's income from operations (before taxes) rose only 6.6%, to \$192 million from \$180 million. Chairman Alain Levy attributes the modest gain to the paucity of blockbuster albums in the first half.

In the six-month period, Poly-Gram's labels had just two big hit albums in the U.S.: "Superunknown" by Soundgarden (A&M), which sold more than 2 million copies, and "Very Necessary" by Salt-N-Pepa (Next Plateau/London), which moved nearly 2 million units.

Worldwide, the company's biggest albums were "So Far So Good" Bryan Adams (A&M), which sold 3.4

million units, and "The Sign" by Ace Of Base, which sold to 2.5 million units in the countries for which Poly-Gram holds the rights. (BMG's Arista label owns the rights in the U.S., Japan, and several other countries.) PolyGram says sales in Europe and the Far East "benefited from strong local releases.'

Pop music accounted for 65% of PolyGram's total sales in the first half, or \$1.32 billion.

According to SoundScan, Poly-Gram's six-month market share in the U.S. was 11.34%. Levy estimates its U.S. share at 12%-13%. He says SoundScan "tends to underreport us because of the classics; they're not reporting full catalog sales.'

PolyGram is the world's undisputed market leader in classical music. This year's biggest seller has been "My Heart's Delight" with Luciano Pavarotti, which has moved more than 400,000 units. Levy says the three Classical labels-London/ Decca, Deutsche Grammophon, and Philips Classics—maintained market share and posted a "slight" sales increase. The genre accounts for 12% of PolyGram's sales, or \$245 million.

Though music was somewhat disappointing in the first half, the com-

pany broke out the champagne over the critical and box-office success of "Four Weddings And A Funeral," starring Hugh Grant and Andie Mac-Dowell. Produced by Working Title Pictures and distributed by Poly-Gram's Gramercy Pictures, the film cost an estimated \$4 million and has grossed more than \$130 million worldwide so far. Levy says Poly-Gram booked only 40% of the revenues from the picture in the first

Harold Vogel, senior entertainment analyst with Merrill Lynch. says the movie did not contribute much to first-half profitability. "There's more to come," he says. "It will have a much more important impact in the second half." That's when it will work its way into all international theatrical markets and distribution channels such as home video, pay-per-view television, and cable and broadcast TV. Levy says PolyGram (Continued on page 103)

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## Disney, Baby Bells Plan To Alter Airwaves

■ BY SETH GOLDSTEIN

NEW YORK-Talk about future shock: Walt Disney Co.'s information highway joint venture with three Baby Bell companies-Ameritech, BellSouth, and Southwestern Bellmay begin to affect home video this decade. Meanwhile, Disney plans to hold up its end at home video with probably the strongest studio effort yet on behalf of Rentrak's pay-per-transaction network of some 3,200

The as-yet-unnamed Baby Bell ven-

ture, announced two weeks after the Disney-Rentrak contract was unveiled (Billboard, Aug. 6), will go on the air in the first half of 1995 with a mix of traditional and interactive video programming, and could start generating "substantial revenues" in the next 3-5 years, according to Patrick Campbell, Ameritech executive VP of corporate strategy and business development. If true, the rollout of new services would be considerably faster than most observers, looking a decade out, have predicted.

Buying and renting cassettes is

"not going to go away overnight," says Campbell. He says retail is as healthy now as it was when he resigned as president of Columbia Tri-Star Home Video, but he isn't sure how long prosperity will last.

While none of the parties will specify the terms of Disney's participation, the studio is thought to be providing intellectual property, including access to its movie and cartoon library, management skill, and marketing flair. The joint venture, which Campbell says doesn't preclude part-

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ON ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

## Paying the Price

Will Madison tolerate Ticketmaster's charges?

When Eddie Vedder and Pearl Jam decided to take on Ticketmaster earlier this year, they claimed to be jousting on behalf of their fans against the company's "unfair monopoly" of the ticket distribution business. But local promoters say that Madison concertgoers have actually been quite willing to pay for the convenience of purchasing tickets over the phone and at remote outlets. In fact, although service charges can be avoided by purchasing tickets in person at the box offices of the Dane County Coliseum, the Barrymore Theatre, the Madison Civic Center and Camp Randall Stadium (which uses the Union Theater and the UW athletic department as primary ticket outlets for concerts), thousands of local ticket buyers seem to prefer hitting the phones when major events go on

"The phones are more popular than I ever would have believed," says **Herb Frank** of Frank Productions, which signed an exclusive contract with Ticketmaster for Coliseum events 10 months ago. "People are captivated by using plastic, by using phones, by not wanting to get into their cars and driving to the ticket centers."

Locally, Ticketmaster service charges average about \$2.25 a ticket. However, the charges added on to tickets for big stadium events like this week's Pink Floyd concert are twice that, and fees for mailing tickets can also add to the price of admission.

Why do service charges increase for the big events? Frank says it's because hundreds of extra phone operators must be in place when 60,000 Pink Floyd or Rolling Stones tickets go on sale. But Larry Solters, the national spokesman for Ticketmaster, simply argues that like any other company, Ticketmaster

has a right to set a price that will cover costs and guarantee a profit

"I think it's fascinating that Eddie Vedder has decided that he can determine what a company can charge," says Solters. "They wanted us to charge \$1.80 on an \$18 ticket. We were ready to compromise on \$2.25, \$2.50, but they wouldn't take it. The bottom line is that computerized ticketing is a convenience. The public has embraced that convenience and basically turned it into a necessity. Now the lawyers are questioning whether people should have to pay for that necessity.

"Next time I go buy gas at a gas station, I'm gonna tell 'em I want to pay 25 cents per gallon," he adds sarcastically.



Does Eddie Vedder have the right to determine what Ticketmaster can charge?

Pearl Jam and its lawyers hope to break Ticketmaster's domination of the ticket distribution business and argue that, with more players in the marketplace, the real price of tickets will go down. But even if the courts ultimately rule against Ticketmaster, it seems unlikely that service charges, phone charges and other convenience charges will decrease for concerts and other live events held at large venues.

"I've gone to other firms and I've had them submit offers," says Herb Frank. "And let me tell you, it was frightening. Because they couldn't do the job, and they were more expensive than Ticketmaster. That's why Ticketmaster has no competition in our little environment here in Dane County"

Which isn't to say that some local promoters don't complain about Ticketmaster's fluctuating service charges. Like Pearl Jam, Tag Evers of Tag Team Productions argues that the company's convenience charges are too high. When he first got into the promotion business he contracted with the company, but he soon decided that it was cheaper to deal directly with ticket outlets for his smaller shows. "What does it take to operate a bank of phones?" Evers asks. "Once you have that capital investment, you're just raking in the dough.... But I plan on doing shows this fall at the Civic Center and maybe the Coliseum-both of which have contracts with [Ticketmaster]. So I'll have to deal with them."

Ticketmaster isn't the only operation that charges a fee for its services. Promoters also complain that the Barrymore Theatre-which has elected to process phone orders in-housecharges too much for the convenience of remote ticket buying. The Barrymore adds \$3.50 to the face value of the first ticket charged by phone and \$1 for every additional ticket-charges that the theater's managing director. Sherri Wilder, maintains simply cover the cost of processing orders.

Local promoters, however, think that the first \$3.50 is exorbitant, since it often represents nearly a third of a ticket's face value. Evers says the charge is "pretty steep," and Chuck Toler of First Artists, which regularly brings pop and alternative rock

acts to the Barrymore, calls it "insanity."

Evers has decided to live with the phone charge; Toler hasn't. Convinced that there had to be a cheaper way to distribute tickets, he started a company called Comp-U-Tix, which has developed an automated system designed to service the ticketing needs of smaller venues and cuts cost by eliminating the need for phone operators.

"I'm planning to charge no more than a dollar a ticket," says Toler, who plans to have the service up and running in Madison by September and is trying to sell it elsewhere. "It wasn't Ticketmaster that drove me, though. Looking around locally, we saw how tickets were being distributed, and we were unhappy with the [ticket] counts; we were unhappy with how they were distributed; we were unhappy with the way they were picked up. We talked with the outlets and they were unhappy too. So I founded a company that hopefully will take care of these problems."

As a promoter, Toler is very much aware of Pearl Jam's battle with Ticketmaster. In fact, when Vedder and company were toying with the idea of mounting a tour that would steer clear of venues that contracted with Ticketmaster, Toler reserved several days at the Pecatonica Fairgrounds for a Pearl Jam date, which ultimately didn't come through.

Unlike Pearl Jam's lawyers, Toler doesn't blame Ticketmaster for squelching the band's plans for its alternative tour. "There are all kinds of things that groups are doing to cut profits for promoters," he says. "And it's funny that everybody's looking at Ticketmaster. I wonder who's looking at Pearl Jam's bottom line?"

-- Tom Laskin

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# Commentary

## **Moral Rights Laws Must Be Harmonized**

■ BY LESLEY ELLEN HARRIS

Intellectual property is rapidly gaining a higher profile in the eyes of the general public and, of course, in the information, communications, and entertainment industries. Domestic and international pressure is influencing many countries, including the U.S., to increase the standards of protection for intellectual property rights, both for domestic and foreign creations. In fact, the harmonization of intellectual property rights is a theme of this decade, made necessary by increased technology and the information highway, and manifested by trade agreements like NAFTA (the North American Free Trade Agreement) and GATT (the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade).
The U.S. no doubt felt this pressure when,

in 1989, it adhered to the Berne Convention for the Protection of Literary and Artistic Works, the leading international convention on copyright, to which more than 100 countries adhere. In implementing its obligations under Berne, the U.S. made some amendments to the Copyright Act of 1976. However, with respect to "moral rights," which protect the reputation of the creator, there remains some debate as to whether the minimalist approach taken by the U.S. supports the spirit of the convention.

The milestone against which moral rights was measured was the French law that states, "L'auteur jouit du droit au respect de son nom, de sa qualité et de son oeuvre.' This means that the author enjoys the right of respect of his name, his professional standing, and his work. This right is "perpetual, inalienable et imprescriptible." The wording of this right is very general, and French courts have interpreted it broadly to protect against modifications to a work that could

reject implementing stronger moral rights in the U.S. argue that the French and U.S. entertainment businesses are clearly different, and that French law would be unsuitable for

What has been forgotten in the search for a moral rights scheme in the U.S. is that an alternative already exists in North America. Moral rights have existed in Canadian legis-



'The harmonization of intellectual property laws must not ignore moral rights.'

Lesley Ellen Harris, a screenwriter and copyright lawyer, is the author of "Canadian Copyright Law" (McGraw-Hill Ryerson Ltd).

lation since 1924. In 1988, the country's moral rights laws were greatly enhanced to ensure not only that the author of a work has the right to have his or her name associated with the work, and to prevent prejudicial modifications to his or her work, but also the additional right to prevent any harmful use of the work in association with a service. cause, product, or institution.

There have been very few cases of litigation in Canada concerning these moral rights provisions. Unlike the French law, moral rights in Canada can be waived; that is, the creator can agree not to exercise his or her moral rights. This is similar to U.K. law. Some argue that allowing a waiver of moral rights virtually strips creators of their moral

if there were no such rights. This is not true. First, the existence of these rights in law establishes the government's support for these rights. Second, it reverses the presumption, granting rights to creators that can only then be waived through an express agreement. Lastly, codification of such rights gives bargaining strength to creators.

Any participants to a "moral rights" discussion in the U.S. must also be aware of the imbalance of protection because of a lack of stronger moral rights under U.S. law. For the most part, copyright is international and based on the principle of national treatment. This means that protection is given according to the laws where protection is claimed. Where a Canadian author claims protection in the U.S., he is protected under U.S. law; where an American author claims protection in Canada, she is protected under Canadian law. Therefore, if Canada has stronger moral rights than the U.S., protection granted to Canadian and U.S. authors in Canada will be stronger than the protection granted to the same Canadian and U.S. authors when their works are used in the U.S. A similar imbalance of protection occurs for U.S. and British creators, U.S. and French creators, and so on.

With advanced technology and the information highway, morphing, sampling, and other manipulation of images and sounds will become more commonplace and the importance of moral rights will increase. The harmonization of intellectual property laws must not ignore moral rights. How can we justify the harmonization of laws that ensure that creators economically gain from the exploitation of their works without similarly harmonizing laws that protect the reputations of creators?

#### LETTERS

#### **GAY, NOT 'QUEER'**

Larry Flick's article "Major Labels Courting Gay, Lesbian Market" (Billboard, July 30) contains this sentence: "In identifying the characteristics of the typical queer consumer, there is no definite picture to be drawn . . ."
As a non-typical "queer" (please read gay)

consumer, and an advertising person, I find this phrasing in the '90s highly offensive. And, not counting members of "Queer Nation," I'm quite sure that most gays and lesbians will also feel offended.

Bill Feitz Feitz Advertising Los Angeles

Flick's response: The use of the descriptive word "queer" for homosexuality has been embruced by a growing movement of men and women who hope to declaw its prejudice and negativity by using it in an empowering, if somewhat confrontational, manner. Its use is not intended to offend, but to remind the world of the discrimination and hardship historically faced by homosexuals—the same way that our community uses the pink triangle symbol that gay people were forced to wear in Nazi concentration camps.

#### TARGETING THE GAY MARKET

While I agree with Larry Flick's story on the recording industry's efforts to target the gay and lesbian community, it should be noted that this industry was among the very first to target this market back in 1979, when my company, Rivendell Marketing, was founded.

Rivendell Marketing Co., a furn specializing in the gay and lesbian market, was founded by Joe DiSabato at the height of the disco era DiSabato, a former promotions manager with RCA and MCA, used his connections with record labels to handle their national advertising in the gay press around the country. Casablanca and Prelude were two early advertisers. Recently we have developed campaigns or placed advertisements for PolyGram and Poly-Gram Classics, Arista, Sony, Windham Hill, Atlantic, Elektra, BMG CD Club, and Columbia House CD Club.

As more information on this market becomes available from respected sources such as Simmons, MRI, and Yankelovich, record marketers will see in black and white what has long been suspected—that this community buys a lot of product. Hopefully, this will translate into even more regular attempts at targeting this community.

Michael Gravois President Rivendell Marketing Co.

#### **GAY ROLE MODELS NEEDED**

In response to the Commentary written by Tom McCormack (Billboard, June 18): I, too, am a gay singer/songwriter, and I've noted the strange behavior the music industry has

toward gay-themed music.

The time has come for the next step. Artists like McCormack and myself want to be open right from the start and sing about our lives and the lives of approximately 10% of the world's population. In listening, the non-gay world may find that their fears are ungrounded and that all the things gay and lesbian people strive for-like love, compassion, and happiness-are the same goals they have. They'll find we have much more in common than what divides us.

What's needed are more open gay executives and braver non-gay executives who won't dismiss gay-oriented music because of the content. Gangsta rap and satanic heavy metal didn't scare them off, yet it's amazing how a non-graphic song about two people of the same sex loving each other could be so vola-

Finally, one of the most important reasons we need openly gay and lesbian artists is because there are young men and women coming to grips with their sexuality every day. They need guidance, assurance, and role models to let them know that they aren't "freaks" and that they can lead healthy, happy lives. If my music can stop one teen-ager from committing suicide because I helped her realize that she is not alone and that there is hope, then I've done my duty as a responsible artist.

Rus McCoy Long Beach, Calif.

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## **Blues Traveler's Direction Changes With A&M's 'four'**

■ BY CARRIE BORZILLO

LOS ANGELES-After building a healthy fan base through seven years of touring, the members of Blues Traveler have set their sights on greater radio and video exposure for their fourth A&M album, appropriately titled "four,' due Sept. 13.

The first single from the album, "Hook," will go to album rock, album alternative, and modern rock radio on Aug. 31. But it is the second single, the infectiously upbeat "Run-around," which A&M is banking on to push the act to new heights at rock stations and break

new ground at top 40.

Without much support from radio and video outlets, Blues Traveler has garnered a following of 250,000 fans from its constant touring since its inception in 1987, according to Jill Glass, VP of marketing at A&M.

The band's self-titled 1989 debut has sold 397,000 units since Sound-Scan began tracking sales in 1991. A sophomore set, "Travelers & Thieves," released in 1991, has sold more than 279,000 units.

The first two albums peaked on The Billboard 200 at No. 175 and No. 144, respectively; a third Blues (Continued on page 106)

## **Peter Gabriel To Release A 'Secret'** Virgin Album, Video Document Tour

■ BY ZENON SCHOEPE

BOX, England-Peter Gabriel's "Secret World Live," an in-concert album and video scheduled for simultaneous release Aug. 30, has been unveiled by the artist at his Real World Studios here in the southwestern English countryside.

Based on the 19-nation "Secret World Tour," Gabriel's first full concert swing since 1986, the 100-minute double CD on Real World/Virgin Records and accompanying live video capture Gabriel playing to the crowd, with material drawn largely from his best-selling albums "So" and "US." Since leaving Genesis and launching his solo career in 1975, Gabriel has sold 20 million albums worldwide, ac-

cording to Virgin.
In the U.S., his product is licensed to Geffen Records, which will release the album and video on Sept. 13.

The list price of the double CD will be slightly higher than that of a single album.

Most of the performances on "Secret World Live" come from a November concert in

Modena, Italy. Captured in midtour flow, the band has Gabriel's longtime guitarist David Rhodes and bassist Tony Levin, joined by Manu Katche on drums, Jean Claude Naimro on keyboards,

Shankar on violin, and Paula Cole on backing vocals.

Highlights include powerhouse deliveries of "Come Talk To Me" (on the video, Gabriel opens the set in a traditional British public telephone box), "Sledgehammer," "Steam," and a sensitive rendition of "Blood Of Eden" (performed on video around a life-size tree). The video presentation of "Digging In The Dirt" finds Gabriel employing a head-mounted camera to project images to a giant, rotating onstage screen for a disturbing, if not unusual, close-up view of the art-

Given his pre-eminence in video, Gabriel says he wanted the "Secret World Tour" to be highly visual. (Continued on page 101)

## Capitol Builds Relationships For BeBe & CeCe

■ BY J.R. REYNOLDS

LOS ANGELES-Relationships were the reason label executives were able to keep BeBe & CeCe Winans from leaving Capitol Records after the company's management transition. "Relationships" also is the title of the Grammy-winning duo's new album, due Sept. 20.

"After the experience we had with our last project [1991's "Different Lifestyles"], we were very dissatisfied with our relationship with Capitol," says BeBe. But that was before Gary Gersh became president/CEO of the label in July 1993.

According to Gersh, anyone at the



BeBe & CeCe

label, including artists, can now offer input on any aspect of a record project-from A&R to marketing to pro-

Says BeBe, "We were involved in every aspect of 'Relationships,' which included being at several marketing and other label meetings.

Following Gersh's appointment, rumors were rampant that R&B would have a diminished role at the label. But Gersh says a paring down of Capitol's roster is key to the success of projects like "Relationships."

"We cut back on the number of acts so that we could concentrate 100% on that smaller list, as opposed to having a lot of acts and only being able to concentrate 10% on each.

Gersh quickly convinced BeBe & CeCe that they were an important part of Capitol's future. "He showed us by being personally involved with 'Relationships.' He came to the studio when we were recording, and to video shoots," says CeCe.

Gersh also demonstrated his willingness to work with the group by granting a request that Evan Lamberg, VP of East Coast creative for (Continued on page 106)



AKA Paula Cole. Paula Cole performed songs from her new Imago album, "Harbinger," to an SRO crowd at the AKA club in New York. Joining her after the set, from left, are Imago Recording Co. president Terry Ellis, BMG senior VP of marketing Rick Bleiweiss, and Imago VP of sales and marketing Jim Kelly.

Act Naturally. "Liverpool Days," Genesis Productions, Ltd., limited-edition photo chronicle of the Beatles in their Merseybeat milieu, is now available in the U.S. The handsome coffee-table book is a disarmingly intimate 1964 look at the Fab Four as they bade farewell to the Cavern club scene they helped create, and began shooting their first film, "A Hard Day's Night." It is also a diaristic aperture on a fascinating, albeit fleeting, sphere, as experienced by renowned German photojournalists Max Scheler and Astrid Kirchherr (former fiancee of original Beatle Stuart Sutcliffe). They shadowed the world's most famous rock band on its home turf. Among the feast of unpublished portraits is one, above right, of Ringo Starr at his parents' home, complete with lava lamp. The drummer holds an album by James Ray, who first recorded "Got My Mind Set On You," a solo hit 23 years late for George Harrison. Each copy of "Liverpool Days" is signed by Scheler and Kirchherr and comes in a clothbound slipcase, with a choice of an original photo on the book's cover of John, Paul, George, or Ringo. Call 800-775-1111.

## I.R.S. Looks To Generate **New Movement For dada**

BY JIM BESSMAN

NEW YORK-Like any band that makes a strong sales impact with its major-label debut, I.R.S. Records' dada faces a daunting challenge with its follow-up.

The band's tuneful and harmony-heavy 1992 entry, "Puzzle," sold 270,000 units domestically, according to SoundScan. A second I.R.S. album, 'American Highway Flower," is slated for release Sept. 20.

"You hit big, and the question is, 'For my next trick, what do I do?" says John Clay, program director at Phoenix modern rock station KEDJ. a dada stronghold due to the hit tracks "Dizz Knee Land," "Dim," and "Here Today, Gone Tomorrow."



DADA

"For a lot of bands, all the elements that went into making the first album successful change once they hit the road," says Clay. "That unspoken, scary barrier of 'Now we have to top that' can hurt bands.'

However, Clay notes that dada's (Continued on page 106)

## **A&M Set Brings Carpenters Fans** Out Of Woodwork

■ BY CRAIG ROSEN

LOS ANGELES-With an extensive mar-

keting plan and unlikely pairings of artists and source material. A&M Records will at-



tempt to make "If I Were A Carpenter," its modern rock homage to the brother-sister duo, stand out amid a flood of

(Continued on page 101)

## **Becker's Solo Debut Hardly Out Of 'Whack'**

### Giant Hopes Steely Dan Tour Provides Marketing Spark

■ BY CRAIG ROSEN

LOS ANGELES—"Walter Becker is one of the great characters of all time," says Giant Records chairman Irving Azoff. "At the first point that he said, 'I'm serious about making my own record,' I jumped on it right

Azoff is optimistic that Steely Dan fans will jump on Becker's "11 Tracks Of Whack," due Sept. 27 on Giant. It's the first solo album by the other songwriter in the '70s group known for its smart and polished pop.

Giant will create advance awareness of the Becker album by issuing a foursong sampler to album alternative ra-

NEW YORK-In his native Australia.

Ed Kuepper is seen as a punk-rock

survivor by some and an underworld

poet by others. His unique perspec-

tive-imagine Leonard Cohen after a

long residency at CBGB—has seldom

been aired in America, but that should

change with the Sept. 27 release of "Character Assassination" by Restless

"The fans Ed has over here are very

vocal and very well-placed," says Rich

Schmidt, Restless' director of market-

ing. "A lot of them are in the press, and

we've learned that when the press re-

ally embraces an artist, it does sell rec-

■ BY DAVID SPRAGUE

Records.

dio stations Aug. 16. The sampler's arrival at radio will coincide with a month of Steely Dan dates, as Becker and longtime writing partner Donald Fagen return to the road.

"We want to make sure the music is out there, since they'll be on tour,' says Giant product manager Connie Young, "The best visibility we can get with Walter is to have him on tour with Steely Dan."

"Everyone was excited when they reunited [in 1993], and we want to take advantage of the fact that Walter is on the road as much as we can," she adds.

In preparation for the album's release. Giant has issued an electronic press kit that provides the viewer with

Besides intensive fanzine and na-

what Schmidt de-

scribes as a "three-

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entire album, while

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stations will be ser-

viced with a CD-5

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tional campaigns, the label is mounting

of the single "Little Fiddle." Addition-

ally, there is talk of pressing a promo-

only disc gleaned from Kuepper's ap-

vital information about the release while it entertains with sly humor. The EPK is being issued to press, retail, and radio.

plans to produce a 30-minute TV special on Becker. which it hopes will air either on VH-1 and PBS, Young says.

The label also

In addition, the label plans to back

the release with heavy print and TV advertising. Says Azoff, "The marketing plan will be all-encompassing ... There will be TV ads [and ads in] consumer and audiophile magazines.

"11 Tracks Of Whack" marks the first full album with which Becker has been involved in a major artistic capacity since "Gaucho," Steely Dan's last album of new material, was released in 1980.

After moving to Hawaii and taking a few years off, he drifted back into the record industry as a producer. Among the acts he worked with were China Crisis, Rickie Lee Jones, jazz artists such as Bob Sheppard, and Fa-

Although Becker occasional cowrote material and played guitar on the albums he produced, he says his stint as a producer left him somewhat unsatisfied, "I always felt that I was in the room with someone that was having more fun than I was having, namely the artist, because they were getting to play and sing and make all kinds of important decisions. I started to become more and more jealous of

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MUSIC PUBLISHING

As cover sonas ao, the Third Rate Romance. back in 1975, seems native balked at the He even brought the sona's writer, former Amazing Rhythm Ace studio to contribute background vocals and assure the right feel.

started doing the 'Feelin' Good Train' album I was

Well, they brought it up again and faxed the lyrics in, and we walked into the studio and cut it in about 30 minutes. It's a great country song. If you listen to the story, it's everything country is. The song had such a groove to it the way them boys cut it, and what we tried to do was go in there and copy that feel. We didn't try to make any big changes from the original record. Once a hit, always a hit. I don't mind bringing back a song that some people maybe have never heard. I'm a little worried about getting some resistance at radio. Back then, some stations refused to play the original version because of the lyric content. But it was a great record for a reason. You don't hardly hear the song much anymore, and I don't think you can buy the record anymore. So, hell, just bring it back the way it was."

THIRD RATE ROMANCE

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'The first time [producers] Buddy [Cannon] and Norro [Wilson] talked to me about cutting 'Third

Rate Romance' was way back when we were recording the 'Haunted Heart' album." says Ker-

shaw. "I didn't do it then because I didn't think I could do the song justice. It was such a great

record with such a great

feel, and it's hard to cover a song like that. It you do.

you'd better hope that it's

going to be just as good, if not better, and I was kind of

scared of that. But when we

feeling maybe a little cocky.

Amazing Rhythm Aces' which went to No. 14 on the pop charts and No. 11 on the country charts custom-made for Sammu Kershaw. The Louisiana idea of covering the song the first time around, but decided to give it a shot on his new album, "Feelin' Good Train." Russell Smith, into the

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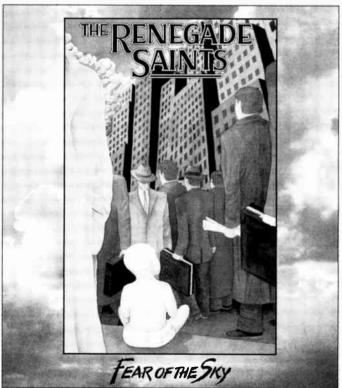
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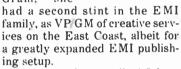
## **Greene Assumes Old Role In New Publishing Post**

by Irv Lichtman

THE FIXER: Holly Greene, who was just appointed VP/GM for East Coast operations for PolyGram Music Publishing Group USA, has usually moved to a music publishing company with a mandate to reorganize aspects of the operations she's moved

After a four-year stint that launched her career in publishing at Screen Gems-EMI in the late 70s, Greene spent four years at Peer-Southern's New York office with the assignment to reactivate

the old-line company's East Coast offices. She moved on to Jobete Music to achieve similar aims. Before joining Poly-Gram, she



The man who ran all of Jobete when she was there was veteran publishing executive Lester Sill. Sill and another longtime publishing executive, Paul Tannen, were her bosses at Screen Gems-EMI. "Much more," she says, "they were my mentors. They taught me how to listen to a song, critique it and then find the best place for that song. They taught me how to pitch songs, something I regard as a lost art. They taught me the value of a catalog and the need to create tomorrow's standards.

Greene says she has obtained successful covers with such acts Gladys Knight, Cyndi Lauper, Taylor Dayne, Starship, Bobby Brown, Air Supply, Paul Young, Regina Belle, the Pointer Sisters, Blue Oyster Cult and Vanessa Williams. During her second stay at EMI Music, she signed such creative talent as Easy Mo Bee, Aqil Davidson, Marly Marl, Main Source and Peter Holsapple.

"It's not always obvious these days that some of the freshest songs come from atypical collaborations," says Greene. "One of my favorite recent examples of this is when I was at EMI and hooked Mary Chapin Carpenter and Cyndi Lauper to co-write. The song, 'Sally's Pigeons,' was on Cyndi's last album and will appear on a Cyndi Lauper anthology album to be released shortly by Epic.

At PolyGram, Greene can turn to venerable oldies, such as songs by Jerome Kern, or more recent standards-writers such as Jimmy Webb, whose catalog PolyGram administers. Current major writers include Jon Bon Jovi, Richie Sambora, k.d. lang, Gavin Friday, Nona Hendryx, Brian McKnight, Dan Reed, Andrew Lloyd Webber, and, most recently, Lyle Lovett.

Loyett is one of two recent signings, along with Dead Eye Dick (Ichiban Records), whom, Greene notes, PolyGram Music president David Simone "whisked down to New Orleans to sign after he heard [his] album." Greene, with no specific counterpart at Poly-Gram's headquarters in Los Angeles, sees herself as Simone's alter ego on the East Coast,

where her key staffers include creative director Randy and creative coordinator Kim mour. With Lovett and



Dead Eye Dick pre-Greene signings, Greene says she is currently "in the midst of several negotiations with what I consider to be important writers and artists.

READY, SET ...: The Songwriters' Assn. of Washington, D.C., for which BMI has supervised judging panels at its offices in New York and Nashville, has launched, its 11th annual Mid-Atlantic Song Contest. Open in the categories of alternative, pop, R&B, novelty, country, folk, jazz, adult contemporary, rock, and gospel, the contest has, among other awards, a grand prize of \$1,000 in cash, with the first runner-up receiving \$400 and the second runner-up receiving a gift certificate for tape duplication from Oasis Recordings. Deadline for entries is Aug. 31. For more info, contact Dolphin Talent in Williamsburg, Va. . . . Also, BMI is now accepting ap-

plications for its BMI-Lehman Engel Musical Theatre Workshop. Composers are asked to submit three contrasting compositions to BMI on cassette with their applications, and lyricists are to supply three contrasting lyrics-one comedy, one ballad, and one uptempo. They should be sent to Norma Grossman at BMI's New York headquarters.

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#### RCA BRINGS DAVE MATTHEWS BAND TO MAJORS WITH 'DREAMING'

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development. "In fact, the way I heard about the band is that an intern played them for me off one of those exact cassettes!'

Matthews was born and raised in South Africa, which he says may be one of the sources of his band's multicultural feel. "I call [our style] a stew," he says. "When I write songs, I use circular riffs that have an African bent."

The Dave Matthews Band comprises a diverse group of musicians, each ea-

ger to contribute his own ideas. Both Leroi Moore (sax/flute) and Carter Beauford (drums) are seasoned jazz veterans, while Stefan Lessard (bass) has been playing in clubs since age 15. Boyd Tinsley's classically trained violin skills complete the band's sound.

"I'm really lucky to work with these guys," says Matthews. "They can follow the crazy ideas I have and toss in crazy ideas of their own. I mean, I know nothing about jazz except that I enjoy it, but Leroi can play this riff and I'm like, 'Yeah, yeah, that's it!' "

"Under The Table And Dreaming" was produced by Steve Lillywhite (U2, Talking Heads, XTC), and Matthews says the collaboration was a perfect fit.

We had a choice of some terrific people to work with, but Steve was so adamant that he be the one," says Matthews. "I couldn't argue with him-my heart is easily stolen by ea-

Lillywhite attempted to showcase the Dave Matthews Band for a wider audience without distilling its distinctive sound. "He had a sense of how we wanted to go, definitely," says Matthews. "He brought a calmness to the record. It's still pumpin', but now it's more focused."

RCA hopes the Dave Matthews Band can expand the label's alternative appeal, which has been limited.

"I think this record is a marketing person's wet dream," says Flohr. "That's the beauty of a fan base of this size: They know when the song's on radio, they know when the album's out, they know what the album cover art looks like even before I do. For us to come in, say, 'Thanks for the fan base,' and then take over-that's when we'd lose them."

RCA will target the band to many radio formats, from modern rock outlets to album rock-even R&B stations. A first single has not been selected.

RCA will market the record selectively at first, "letting the record fuel its own fire," says Flohr. For retail, "we'll look at listening posts and some new-artist programs, but the biggest thing going into the retail side is the right accounts. We have a track record from the first record, and that's where the focus is."

RCA plans to market the band first through its established base in the South and on the East Coast, relying on touring—more than 200 dates through 1994—to raise awareness.

The Dave Matthews Band also is taking part in the H.O.R.D.E. tour this year, hitting the road with such acts as Blues Traveler, the Allman Brothers, and Big Head Todd & the Monsters. "You can learn something by being around [the other bands]," Matthews says. "Looking at Blues Traveler and seeing where they are, and saying, 'That's where I wanna be.' '

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#### **BIG HEAD TODD** (Continued from page 11)

to film what Backer says he hopes will be a "spectacular" video for the leadoff single, "In The Morning." The song has already received great exposure from its inclusion on the "Blown Away" film soundtrack. The videoclip will be directed by Josh Taft, who has also worked with Pearl Jam. "I don't believe MTV will be able to deny this," Backer says.

Big Head Todd & the Monsters' listeners won't be able to deny that "In The Morning" and other new tunes such as "Kensington Line," "Magdelina," and "Angel Leads Me On"-sound markedly different from the ones on "Sister Sweetly." The last record was derivative of the blues Mohr and band mates Rob Squires and Brian Nevin are so fond of, but "Strategem" is more of a raw, straight-

ahead, earthy rock'n'roll album.
"We're not a blues band," Mohr says. "I once classified us as a white band that couldn't play blues, so we played rock'n'roll. I think ['Strategem'] is a great record. It's more of a band record, and we produced it ourselves and paid for it out of our own pockets.

"It was a painful album to write," he adds, "because it was such an isolated experience for me."

In recording "Strategem," the band returned home to Boulder for two months this spring and rented the Boulder Theatre to use as a recording studio. Jeff Aldrich, Giant's head of A&R, says the band benefited greatly from being in familiar surroundings. They were able to produce a record in an environment where they were comfortable and had a long history of performing," he says. "They wanted to come up with something more representative of their live sound, and this album is more natural and organic sounding.'

Backer hopes more than album rock listeners will be able to hear these new sounds. While album rock radio will continue to be the "mainstay" for playing Big Head Todd, he says, efforts will be made to get the new music on alternative and mainstream radio as well. "We'll be working alternative radio, and when top 40 has a reason to play it, we'll take the song to top 40," he says. "Top 40 radio play does not connote selling out."

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Backer says that retail has been a big supporter of the band in the past, but adds that Giant won't rest on its laurels in making Big Head Todd's presence felt at those outlets. "We will set up tremendously at retail with displays," he says. Giant will also add two new titles, as it will distribute the group's first two independent releases from several years ago, "Another Mayberry" and "Midnight Radio."

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## EastWest Single Helps U.K. Biz Build Bridge To Rwanda

BY THOM DUFFY

LONDON—A benefit single for Rwandan relief, with a London children's choir singing the Judds' song "Love Can Build A Bridge," is set for release Aug. 29 on EastWest Records U.K., while plans proceed for an additional all-star recording and benefit concert in Britain.

"There's a whole generation of acts that were never involved in Live Aid," says Christian Ulf-Hansen, associate director of BMI in London, referring to the 1985 transatlantic benefit for African famine relief. Together with with Nigel Rush of Madcat Management, Ulf-Hansen has been soliciting artists from both the U.K. and the U.S. for an all-star single for early-September release, and a stadium benefit for later next month.

The artists committed to the project are said to range from newcomers to superstars, but none have yet been announced. Details on the benefit single, conceived as a three-track EP, are expected by mid-August.

Observers, including Ulf-Hansen, have expressed surprise that the music industry, often known for its so-

#### **FARNHAM CONCERT**

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fering their time and skills."

Wheatley's business partner, the international sports promotion company IMG, provided facilities and staff. The National Tennis Centre waived its rental as a concert venue. The premier of the state of Victoria, Jeff Kennett, put his political weight behind the project, commandeering 400 phone lines from the TAB betting system for the telethon, in addition to 350 lines installed by Telecom in Australia.

Proceeds were donated to CARE Australia, whose national director, Ian Harris, confirmed that the proceeds would pay for drugs and diapers for 6,000 Rwandan orphans and fund visits by pediatricians and therapists.

#### Yoakam's 'Fast As You' Draws C'right Suit

A Los Angeles songwriter and singer has sued Dwight Yoakam, his publishing company, record company, and producer, alleging that they are guilty of copyright infringement.

Jamie James, in a suit filed Aug. 2, contends that Yoakam's 1993 hit single "Fast As You" infringes on his 1979 composition, "My Mistake."

The complaint says James recorded "My Mistake" with the Kingbees on RSO Records, and that it was registered for copyright March 27, 1980. "Fast As You," the complaint continues, "infringes upon and incorporates portions" of "My Mistake."

Also named as defendants in the suit, filed in the U.S. District Court for Central California, are producer Pete Anderson, Coal Dust Music, and Reprise Records. The suit asks for an accounting and payment of "all gains, profits, and advantages derived" from the alleged infringement, plus damages.

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cial consciousness, has not responded more quickly from either side of the Atlantic to the massive tragedy in Rwanda.

"I just started to phone a couple of people and say, 'Let's make something happen,'" says Ulf-Hansen.

Max Hole, managing director of EastWest Records U.K., gives credit to Avril McCrory, head of music at BBC Television, for conceiving the "Love Can Build A Bridge" benefit single.

"It's a brilliant single with a brilliant lyric for what we're trying to do," says Hole.

Recorded by the choir from the Bright Sparks Stage School, the single was produced by Bob Sargeant, with string arrangements by Ed Shearmur. Marc Fox, head of A&R at EastWest, brought together a band that includes former Police member Stewart Copeland and musicians who have played with Dire Straits, Big Country, Sting, Madonna, and others.

Recording and mixing services were donated by the Angel, Abbey Road, Olympic, and Metropolitan studios. A promotional video was filmed by Partisan, and London Transport donated a bus to shuttle children to the studio.

All involved with the "Love Can Build A Bridge" benefit single donated their services, says Hole, who adds that all royalties will be directed to Rwandan aid charities through Save The Children.

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#### BILLBOARD'S HEATSE ALBUM CHART

THIS	LAST WEEK	WKS. ON CHART	COMPILED FOR WEEK ENDING AUGUST 20, 1994 FROM A NATIONAL SAMPLE OF RETAIL STORE AND RACK SALES REPORTS COLLECTE COMPILED, AND PROVIDED E ARTIST LABEL & NUMBER/DISTRIBUTING LABEL (SUGGESTED LIST PRICE OR EQUIVALENT	D, TITLE
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2	3	42	ADAM SANDLER WARNER BROS. 45393 (9.98/15.98) THEY'RE	ALL GONNA LAUGH AT YOU
3	8	7	MELVIN RILEY MCA 11016 (9.98/15 98)	GHETTO LOVE
4	10	23	RACHELLE FERRELL MANHATTAN 93769*/CAPITOL (9.98/13.98)	RACHELLE FERRELL
5	7	4	L7 SLASH/REPRISE 45624*/WARNER BROS. (10.98/15 98)	HUNGRY FOR STINK
6	6	2	LIGHTER SHADE OF BROWN MERCURY 522479 (10 98 EQ/15.98)	LAYIN' IN THE CUT
7	_	1	ILL AL SKRATCH MERCURY 522661* (10 98 EQ 15.98)	CREEP WIT' ME
8	9	3	BIG MOUNTAIN GIANT 24563/WARNER BROS (10.98/15.98)	UNITY
9	4	6	SOUNDS OF BLACKNESS PERSPECTIVE 9006/A&M (9.98/15.98)	AFRICA TO AMERICA
10	5	5	HOOTIE & THE BLOWFISH ATLANTIC 82613 AG (10 98 15 98)	CRACKED REAR VIEW
(11)		1	GEORGE HOWARD GRP 9780 (10 98 15 96)	A HOME FAR AWAY
12	14	34	JEFF FOXWORTHY WARNER BROS. 45314 (9.98/15.98)	U MIGHT BE A REDNECK IF
13	13	76	BIG HEAD TODD & THE MONSTERS ● GIANT/REPRISE 24486/WB (	9 98/15 98) SISTER SWEETLY
14	11	_11_	AHMAD GIANT 24548/REPRISE (10 98/16.98)	AHMAD
15	-	1	IMMATURE MCA 11068 (9 98,15 98)	PLAYTYME IS OVER
16	17	2	WEEZER DGC 24629/GEFFEN (10.98/15.98)	WEEZER
17	12	9	PRIDE & GLORY GEFFEN 24703 (10.98/15.98)	PRIDE & GLORY
18	16	28	PRONG EPIC 53019 (9.98 EQ/15.98)	CLEANSING
19	19	3	TERROR FABULOUS EASTWEST 92327/AG (9.98/15.98)	YAGA YAGA
20	23	8	FUGEES RUFFHOUSE 57426*/COLUMBIA (9.98 EQ/15.98)	BLUNTED ON REALITY

The Heatseekers chart lists the best-selling titles by new and developing artists, defined as those who have never appeared in the top 100 of The Billboard 200 chart. When an album reaches this level, the album and the artist's subsequent albums are immediately ineligible to appear on the Heatseekers chart. All albums are available on cassette and CD. \*Asterisk indicates vinyl LP is available.

Albums with the greatest sales gains. © 1994, Billboard/BPI Communications.

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21	25	9	BORN JAMERICANS DELICIOUS VINYL/EASTWEST 92349/AG (9.98/15.98)	KIDS FROM FOREIGN
22	20	6	LOREENA MCKENNITT WARNER BROS 45420 (10.98/15.98)	THE MASK AND MIRROR
23	22	12	CRYSTAL WATERS MERCURY 522105 (10.98 EQ/15.98)	STORYTELLER
24	15	3	2 UNLIMITED RADIKAL 15421/CRITIQUE (10.98/15.98)	REAL THINGS
25	26	11	CAUSE & EFFECT zoo 11056 (10.98/15.98)	TRIP
26	_	1	LOVE SPIT LOVE IMAGO 21030 (9.98/15.98)	LOVE SPIT LOVE
27	30	4	BONEY JAMES WARNER BROS. 45611 (10.98/15.98)	BACKBONE
28	32	6	SELENA EMI LATIN 28803 (8 98/12.98)	AMOR PROHIBIDO
29	_	1	B-TRIBE ATLANTIC 82593/AG (10.98/15 98)	FIESTA FATAL!
30	21	8	BLUR FOOD/SBK 29194/EMI (10.98/15.98)	PARKLIFE
31	31	6	KIRK FRANKLIN AND THE FAMILY GOSPO-CENTRIC 2119/SPARROW	W (9 98/13 98) KIRK FRANKLIN
32	35	4	TYPE O NEGATIVE ROADRUNNER 9100 (9.98/16.98)	BLOODY KISSES
33	18	3	NOFX EPITAPH 86435* (10.98/14.98)	PUNK IN DRUBLIC
34	36	4	311 CAPRICORN 42026 (9.98/16 98)	GRASSROOTS
35	29	4	EVERETTE HARP BLUE NOTE 89297/CAPITOL (9.98/15.98)	COMMON GROUND
36	-1	4	SHENANDOAH RCA 66267 (9.98/15.98)	UNDER THE KUDZU
37	24	7	THE BEATNUTS VIOLATOR 1179*/RELATIVITY (9 98/16.98)	THE BEATNUTS
38	37	3	STEVEN CURTIS CHAPMAN SPARROW 51408 (9.98/13.98)	HEAVEN IN THE REAL WORLD
39	_	1	KILLING JOKE 200 11085* (9.98/15.98)	PANDEMONIUM
40	27	13	BLACKGIRL KAPER 66359/RCA (9 98/15.98)	TREAT U RIGHT
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GETTING SERIOUS: Following the release of their 1985 debut, "Kenny And John: The Whitehead Brothers," on Philly International, the album's namesakes took time off to get more serious about songwriting. Now, the Whitehead Brothers are back with an appropriately titled Motown set,

The twentysomething sons of John Whitehead, who was half



rock band Satchel has just come off a West Coast tour in support of its debut "EDC." The album is cleverly peppered with movie sound bites from such celebs as Joe Pesci. The Seattle-based quartet is shooting a video for the first single, "Mr. Pink," within the next few months.

of the writing team of McFadden & Whitehead, are receiving a lot of attention for the new set's first single, "Your Love Is A . . . 187."

The song garnered 201 spins on 15 top 40/rhythm stations, and 443 spins on 33 R&B stations, during the week ending Aug. 8.

Paris Eley, senior VP of marketing at Motown, says the increase in number of spins on the song in the first few weeks is reminiscent of how Boyz II Men's "Motownphilly" developed.

"When we heard the music, we heard all the usual elements of a hit, along with a certain edge," he says. "Because of its street appeal and the street metaphor in the title, we went to the streets first to market this."

Eley says the street promotion team first introduced the music to retailers and programmers. Once radio caught on, the team went back into the markets to introduce the act's visuals. A sniped poster campaign is in place in the top 10 markets for August and September.

Elev hopes to have the video for the song on MTV and BET by Labor Day. He also says there is "soundtrack

interest in the band." Plans for tour are being mapped out now. Meanwhile, the act will perform at a WGCI-FM Chicago-sponsored show in September:

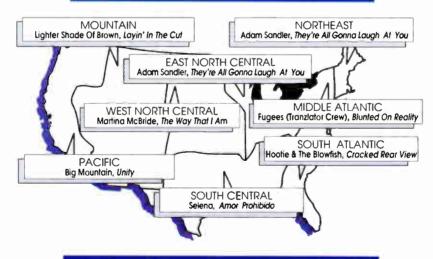
PERFECT PLAN: Elektra's marketing efforts and Freedy Johnston's touring have been paying off for the artist's latest effort, "This Perfect World."

The album is No. 25 among Heatseeker titles in the West North Central region and No. 14 among titles in the Pacific re-



Mo' Moe. Former Velvet Underground drummer Moe Tucker is back with her first solo album in three years, "Dogs Under Stress," released July 26 on Sky/Ichiban, A single hasn't been chosen yet, but modern rock programmers should give the charming "Crackin Up" a listen.

#### REGIONAL HEATSEEKERS #1'S



#### THE REGIONAL ROUNDUP

Rotating top-10 lists of best-selling titles by new & developing artists.

SOUTH ATLANTIC

1. Hootle & The Blowfish, Cracked Rear View
2. Rachelle Ferrell, Rachelle Ferrell
3. Sounds Of Blackness, Africa To Africa

Jeff Jones, VP of marketing

at Elektra, notes that after

Johnston's July 30 date at

McCabe's Guitar Shop in Santa

gion this week.

- 3. Sounds Of Blackness, Africa To Africa
  4. Immature, Playtyme Is Over
  5. Ill AI Skratch, Creep Wit' Me
  6. Melvin Riley, Ghetto Love
  7. George Howard, Home Far Away
  8. Martina McBride, The Way That I Am
  9. Born Jamericans, Kids From Foreign
  10. O.J. Kool, 20 Minute Work Out
- EAST NORTH CENTRAL

  1. Adam Sandler, They re All Gonna Laug

  2. Martina McBride, The Way That I Am

  3. L7, Hungry For Stink

  4. Melvin Riley, Ghetro Love

  5. Rachelle Ferrell, Rachelle Ferrell

  6. Sounds Of Blackness, Africa To Africa

  7. George Howard, Home Far Away

  8. Ahmad, Ahmad 9. Pride & Glory, Pride & Glory 10. III Al Skratch, Creep Wit' Me

Monica, Calif., and his Aug. 1 show at the Troubadour in West Hollywood, the album went from 107 units sold in the market to 272 units.

A similar sales pattern occurred in San Francisco. With advertising and in-store visibility campaigns at retail outlets. units on "This Perfect World" went from 157 to 499 after Johnston's Aug. 2 and Aug. 3 performances there

Jones says modern rock airplay, in-store posters, and the album's inclusion in listening booths in retail outlets in Minneapolis have contributed to the album's good showing in the West North Central region.

Airplay also has been picking up. According to Broadcast Data Systems, "Bad Reputation" has garnered 122 spins on 15 modern rock stations.

Politics of Music: Beggars Banquet/Atlantic seeks to spread the word on England's politically conscious hip-hop act Fun-Da-Mental on public radio news

programs, and possibly by teaming with Amnesty International.

Michael Krumper, director of product development at Atlantic, says the label is discussing arranging a fall tour for Fun-Da-Mental and other acts with Amnesty International.

The band's debut, "Seize The Time," due Sept. 20, delves into violence, racism, and fascism in England.

Since the band's political statements are a large part of what it is about, Krumper says that if the Amnesty tour happens, the label plans to use a direct-mail campaign targeting Amnesty members in each market the tour hits.

The label also is using a seven-page article on the band, which is fronted by Aki Nawaz, in England's Select magazine as a tool to explain the band's philosophy to key press, retail, and radio representatives in the U.S.

Krumper says the label is in-



Weeping Skies. Seattle's ambient rock band Sky Cries Mary is seeing sales gains in the Pacific region as "This Timeless Turning," the band's fifth album, moves 15-12 this week among Heatseeker titles there. "Every Iceburg Is Afire," from the World Domination disc, is the first single for college and modern rock radio.

itially working the first single, "Dog Tribe"—which was remixed by Joe The Butcher of the Butcher Brothers-to college radio and National Public Radio news programs and world music shows. A 12-inch of the song will be serviced to clubs.

Assistance provided by Silvio Pietroluongo.

## **Motown Honors Temptations** With Boxed Retrospective

■ BY DAVID NATHAN

LOS ANGELES-As part of its ongoing tribute to its legendary cornerstone artists, Motown Records is releasing "Emperors Of Soul," a fivedisc Temptations boxed set, Sept. 20.

With 109 songs, the deluxe set contains every top 10 R&B and top 40 pop single by the group, along with four newly recorded tunes. Also included is a pre-Motown single by original Temps member Otis Williams and his 1959 group, the Dis-

Motown will release "Error Of Our Ways," one of the newly recorded tracks, as a single Sept. 12.

Grammy-winning producer Harry Weinger, director of catalog development for PolyGram Records, produced the boxed set. His concept for the project was to convey the complete history of the group, "even if that meant going deep into album cuts, B sides, and going through the Motown vaults to find tracks that had been passed over."

According to Weinger, a 110th "hidden" track-a never-released version of a classic song-is also included in the package, but not listed in the credits. (PolyGram would not

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## **Vandross Devotes New Set To Covers** Album A Holiday-Season Priority For Epic

BY J.R. REYNOLDS

LOS ANGELES-Expanding on his practice of covering popular songs, Epic artist Luther Vandross has recorded an album consisting entirely of remakes.

Titled simply "Songs," the 12-track set features an eclectic array of songs popularized by artists from contemporary superstar Whitney Houston ("All The Woman That I Need") to the oldschool soul of Aretha Franklin ("Since You've Been Gone") and Diana Ross & the Supremes ("Reflections").

Also on the album, which drops Sept. 20, are a few pop selections, including Barbra Streisand's "Evergreen" and the Broadway standard "The Impossi-

"On each of my last nine albums, I've done a cover of a popular song," says Vandross. "It's always been something

I've done live, and it's worked well, so we thought we'd step further."

VANDROSS

take things one The first single from the album, "Endless Love,"

which hits retail Aug. 30, features Vandross per-

forming a duet with fellow Sony artist Mariah Carey. The song originally was recorded by Diana Ross and Lionel Richie, and topped the Hot R&B Singles and Hot 100 charts in 1981.

Dan Beck, VP of product marketing for Epic, says the single will go to several radio formats simultaneously, with the R&B and pop promotion departments working together. "We're still reviewing how we're going after music video, but there will be video projects,"

Though the label's goal is to reach as broad an audience as possible, Vandross says he has not altered his style to gain pop acceptance. "I haven't sacrificed my base and will never sell out just to cross over."

Vandross emphasizes the importance of song selection in his work. "My singing is very instinctive," he says. "I try to keep myself in a condition where I'm not bored or irritated with things going on around me. The same goes for the music I sing, because I'll be doing those songs for the rest of my career if they become hits."

"Songs" was produced by Walter Afanasieff, with Vandross taking co-producer credits. "It was my first time working with Walter," says Vandross. "It was a lot of fun, which is very important fuel for me when I'm record-

For the visuals associated with the new album, Vandross is using a more relaxed look, wearing jeans, T-shirts, leather jackets, raincoats, and an occasional Fedora to spice things up. Some of the publicity stills will be full-body shots, in part, to take advantage of the artist's trimmed-down physique.

The label also is issuing an electronic press kit that introduces the album and presents a Vandross career anthology.

Epic's Beck says radio will be targeted with trade advertising well in advance of the first single. Broadcast and cable television advertising also will be employed.

As for any role for Carey in the (Continued on page 21)

## **Additions Bring Label A New Perspective; Rap Sheet Parties, Sets Hip-Hop Confab**

GAINING SOME PERSPECTIVE: There is plenty of action at Perspective Records, with three key releases coming up in October. Meanwhile, we understand the label is adding two new A&R staffers to supplement the ears of label owners Jimmy Jam and Terry Lewis. No names yet, but word is that the positions are being created to accommodate the label's growing roster and stimulate more diversity.

Projects on the horizon at the label include Raja-Neé (Billboard, July 30) and new sets from Barry White and

White's long-awaited disc is titled "The Icon Is Love," and is scheduled to drop Oct. 4. Among the producers credited on the album are Jam and Lewis, Chuckii Booker, and Gerald Levert. The first single, "Practice What You Preach," is co-produced by White and Levert. Release date is Sept. 13.

White's Mercury-released "All-Time Greatest Hits,"

The

Rhythm

and the

Blues

which went top 10 on the Hot R&B Albums chart, re-entered at No. 100 last

The sophomore effort by Lo-Key? is titled "Back 2 Da Hawse" and is due Oct. 18. A first single, yet to be determined, will be released Sept. 18.

The Lo-Key? album was produced by Perspective's B team (need you ask who is the label's A team?) and

group members prof-t and Lance "L.A." Alexander. The group, formerly a fivesome, is now a quartet. (Darron Storey departed for personal reasons.)

On the film front, Perspective act For Real is appearing as a '50s girl group in the Showtime production "Shake, Rattle And Rock." The roles are described as "principal," and require a lot of singing.

Back on the records side, For Real's next single is "You

Don't Know Nothing.'

O YOU KNOW: The hip-hop newspaper Rap Sheet, based in Santa Monica, Calif., celebrated its second year in business with a jam at Glam Slam in Los Angeles. The party was hosted by the Baka Boyz, DJs at top 40/ rhythm-crossover KPWR (Power 106) Los Angeles (see story, page 94).

Rap Sheet also is holding a hip-hop caucus in Los Angeles Oct. 27-29 at the Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel. Titled "Working Towards A Unified Hip-Hop Nation," the

conference is touted as "the first free-standing rap caucus held by a national rap publication."

According to Rap Sheet editor-in-chief Darryl James,

the caucus will feature workshops on publicity, promotion, management, publishing, contracts, and other topics. "Our goal is to elevate rap music to the status it deserves-both on the business and creative fronts," says James.

NAVARRE'S 'MOB' TIES: Lench Mob Records has signed a national distribution agreement with indie distributor Navarre. The label is owned by rapper Ice Cube, who serves as its president. Consulting the label is Miller London, who will remain president of Urban Network.

The first Navarre-handled release from the label is the single "Thought I Saw A Pussycat" by K-Dee. The single drops Tuesday (16); expect an album in October.

STILL MOTORING: Motown Records is relocating its



by J. R. Reynolds

corporate headquarters in January. The label, currently housed on Sunset Boulevard in Hollywood, will set up shop a few miles the Miracle Mile business district of Los Angeles. The new space will have double the square footage of Motown's current, 30,000-square-foot HQ.

Just so there's no confusion, the artist for-

merly known as Prince drops his newest solo project Tuesday (16)—under the name Prince. The title of the Warner Bros. album is "Come," and according to label officials, it is the last studio album recorded under the name Prince.

"Come" is being celebrated with parties in Los Angeles, Miami, and Minneapolis. A portion of the proceeds from the Minneapolis throwdown will be donated to the AIDS Action Foundation of Minnesota,

Prince's "Come" is not to be confused with "1-800-NEW-FUNK," a compilation album from the artist's NPG label, which is marketed and distributed by Bellmark.

The project, which showcases NPG-signed acts, also features some singing, producing, and arranging by the artist formerly known as Prince.

Got that?

HECK IT OUT: The debut by Cold Chillin's Big Scoob & the Booty Bandits, "Suckaz Can't Hang," has a slick, (Continued on page 32)

## **Force MDs Eye New Heights**

#### Group Returns On Own N.U.W.R. Label

■ BY HAVELOCK NELSON

NEW YORK-With hit singles in the "Love Is '80s like "Forgive Me Girl," A House," and "Tender Love," the Force MDs represented black pop's past, present, and future. They combined doo-wop, Motown, and hip-hop (street-corner styles from the '50s, '60s, and '80s) to create something fresh-a progressive blend that critics dubbed "doo-wop hip-hop."

The Force MDs' sound influenced

a slew of new-jack performers, including Color Me Badd, Boyz II Men, and Silk. But the group itself never reached the heights of its musical progeny.

In early October, when the Force MDs release their self-titled fifth album (via their own, Ichiban-distributed N.U.W.R. label), they will begin tussling for chart attention in the very field they helped inspire.

'They were ahead of their time,' says Kevin Harewood, who managed the group from 1986-89. "All the pieces of their concept never really came together.'

Harewood, formerly with Hush Productions and the William Morris Agency, is helping with the album's marketing and promotion as an independent consultant to Onyx Entertainment, which has managed the group for the last few months.

The ballad "Stop Frontin'," re-

leased by the group in June, is the first Force MDs title since the group split with former label Tommy Boy



FORCE M.D'S

Records, "After reflecting on the good and bad days with their former record company and their own track record, they felt that to get their name back out there, it would be more feasible to go with their own indie rather than a major," says Leonard Wright, label manager at N.U.W.R.

With little promotional thrust behind it, the single did not sustain long-term interest at radio. According to Harewood, an accompanying videoclip received moderate play on BET and local shows like Oakland's 'Soul Beat" and Los Angeles' "Up-

The follow-up, "Feel The Funk," a midtempo shuffler that drops Sept. 22, should fare better for several reasons, not the least of which is the group's new national distribution deal with Ichiban. "The group had a few other distributors interested in them. but there just weren't any meetings of the minds," says Wright. The ar-

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BILLBOARD AUGUST 20, 1994

## Bilboard TOP R&B ALBUNS

COMPILED FROM A NATIONAL SAMPLE OF RETAIL STORE SALES REPORTS COLLECTED, COMPILED, AND PROVIDED BY SoundScan

THIS	LAST WEEK	2 WKS AGO	WKS. ON CHART	ARTIST LABEL & NUMBER/DISTRIBUTING LABEL (SUGGESTED LIST PRICE OR EQUIVA	TITLE LENT FOR CASSETJE/CD)	PEAK POSITION
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1	1	1	3	MC EIHT FEATURING CMW EPIC STREET 57696 * EPIC (10 98 EQ/15. 8) 1 No. 1	WE COME STRAPPED	1
2	3	3	9	WARREN G VIOLATOR/RAL 52335*/ISLAND (10 98 15 98)	REGULATEG FUNK ERA	1
3	2	2	6	DA BRAT SO SO DEFICHAOS 66164°/COLUMBIA (9.98 EQ/15 98)	FUNKDAFIED	1
4	5	7	11	AALIYAH ● BLACKGROUND 41533*/JIVE (9 98/13.98) AGE AIN	T NOTHING BUT A NUMBER	3
5	4	4	6	KEITH SWEAT ELEKTRA 61550 (10 98 16 98)	GET UP ON IT	1
6	6	6	6	BIG MIKE RAP-A-LOT 53907/PRIORITY (9 98 15 98)	SOMETHIN' SERIOUS	4
1	-11	14	7	BLACKSTREET INTERSCOPE 92351/AG (10 98/15 98)	BLACKSTREET	7
8	7	5	3	COOLIO TOMMY BOY 1083* (11.98/15 98)	IT TAKES A THIEF	5
9	12	10	39	R. KELLY A JIVE 41527 (10 98/15.98)	12 PLAY	1
10	8	9	15	OUTKAST ● LAFACE 26010* ARISTA (9 98 15 98) SOUTHERN	PLAYALISTICADILLACMUZIK	3
11	10	8	11	HEAVY D & THE BOYZ ● JPTOWN 10988* MCA (10 98 15 98)	NUTTIN' BUT LOVE	1
				* * GREATEST GAINER *	**	
12	19	23	7	BONE THUGS N HARMONY RUTHLESS 5526*/RELATIVITY (7 98/12.98)	CREEPIN ON AH COME UP	12
13	9	11	9	PATTI LABELLE MCA 10870 (10 98/15 98)	GEMS	7
14	13	12	3	JAMIE FOXX FDX 66436 (9.98/15.98)	PEEP THIS	12
(15)	18	21	10	69 BOYZ RIP-IT 6901 (8.98/15.98) TS	NINETEEN NINETY QUAD	15
16	15	16	45	AARON HALL ● SILAS 10810/MCA (9 98/15.98)	THE TRUTH	_7
17	14	13	20	SOUNDTRACK ▲ DEATH ROWINTERSCOPE 92359 AG (10.98 16.98)	ABOVE THE RIM	1
18	16	15	4	ABOVE THE LAW RUTHLESS 5524*/RELATIVITY (9 98/16.98)	UNCLE SAM'S CURSE	15
19	17	17	56	TON1 BRAXTON ▲ LAFACE 2-5007/ARISTA (9.98/15.98)	TONI BRAXTON	1
20	21	19	41	TEVIN CAMPBELL ▲ QWEST 45388/WARNER BROS. (10.98/16.98)	I'M READY	3
21	25	24	34	PATRA EPIC 53763* (9 98 EQ/15.98) TS	QUEEN OF THE PACK	15
22	23	25	6	TAKE 6 REPRISE 45497 WARNER BROS. (10.98/15.98)	JOIN THE BAND	17
23	26	29	7	MELVIN RILEY MCA 11016 (9 98/15 98) (18	GHETTO LOVE	23
24	28	26	51	BABYFACE ▲ EPIC 53558* (10 98 EQ/16 98)	FOR THE COOL IN YOU	2
25	24	22	37	SNOOP DOGGY DOGG A* DEATH ROWINTERSCOPE 92279* AG (10	98/15 98) DOGGY STYLE	1
26	27	32	10	EIGHTBALL & MJG SUAVE 40002 (9.98/15.98) Of	THE OUTSIDE LOOKING IN	11
27	20	18	6	HOUSE OF PAIN TOMMY BOY 1089* (11.98 15.98)	SAME AS IT EVER WAS	12
28	22	20	17	ALL-4-ONE ▲ BLITZZ/ATLANTIC 82588'AG (10 98'15 98)	ALL-4-ONE	12
29	34	41	80	RACHELLE FERRELL MANHATTAN 93769 CAPITOL (9 9B/13 98)	RACHELLE FERRELL	29
	5			* * * HOT SHOT DEBUT *	**	
30	NE	N Þ	1	ILL AL SKRATCH MERCURY 522661* (10.98 EQ/15.98)	CREEP WIT' ME	30
31	29	35	26	ZHANE ● ILLTOWN 6369/MOTOWN (9.98/15.98)	PRONOUNCED JAH-NAY	8
32	NE	NÞ	1	GEORGE HOWARD GRP 9780 (9,98/15.98) TS	A HOME FAR AWAY	32
33	32	27	64	JANET JACKSON ▲ * VIRGIN 87825   1   98 16.98)	JANET.	1
34	30	33	24	ARETHA FRANKLIN ARISTA 18722 (10.98/16.98)	REATEST HITS (1980-1994)	23
35	38	39	16	NAS COLUMBIA 576B4* (9.98 EQ/15.98)	ILLMATIC	2
36	33	38	9	MC BREED WRAP 8133/ICHIBAN (9 9B/17.98)	FUNKAFIED	9
(37)	41	36	13	SOUTH CENTRAL CARTEL G W K CHAOS 57294* COLUMBIA (10 98/15.98)	'N GATZ WE TRUSS	4
38	35	31	12	NORMAN BROWN MOJAZZ 0301/MOTOWN (9.98/13.98)	AFTER THE STORM	21
39	37	34	10	BEASTIE BOYS CAPITOL 28599* (10.98/15 98)	ILL COMMUNICATION	2
40	39	40	49	MARIAH CAREY ▲ COLUMBIA 53205* (10.98 EQ.16.98)	MUSIC BOX	1
41	40	37	16	SOUNDS OF BLACKNESS PERSPECTIVE 9006 (9.98/15.98)	HE JOURNEY OF THE DRUM	15
42	31	30	4	LUKE LUKE 6996* (9 98/14 98)	FREAK FOR LIFE 6996	24
43	42	42	33	JODECI ▲ UPTOWN 10915/MCA (10 98/15 98)	DIARY OF A MAD BAND	1
44	43	44	10	EL DEBARGE REPRISE 45375/WARNER BROS. (10.98/15.98)	HEART MIND & SOUL	24
45	NE\	NÞ	1	IMMATURE MCA 11068 (9 98/15 98) TS	PLAYTYME IS OVER	45
46	44	46	39	<b>WU-TANG CLAN ●</b> LOUD 66336*/RCA (9 98/15.98)  ENTER THE	WU-TANG (36 CHAMBERS)	8

T	48	52	36	ICE CUBE ▲ PRIORITY 53876* (10.98/15.9B)	LETHAL INJECTION	1
1	47	-	2	VARIOUS ARTISTS NPG 71006"/BELLMARK (9.98/15.98)	1-800-NEW FUNK	47
1	36	28	3	SIR MIX-A-LOT	CHIEF BOOT KNOCKA	28
+	45	43	6	RHYME CARTEL AMERICAN 45540° WARNER BROS. (10 98/15 98)  NICE & SMOOTH RAL 523.536° ISLAND (9.98 15 98)	JEWEL OF THE NILE	13
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+	52	63	7	TOP AUTHORITY TRAK 72576/SOLAR (10.98/15.98)	SOMETHIN' TO BLAZE TO	5:
+			92	TERROR FABULOUS EASTWEST 92327//AG (9 98/15/98)	YAGA YAGA	2
+	55	60		SADE A ' EPIC 53178 (10.98 EQ/16.98)	LOVE DELUXE	_
+	50	47	28	CE CE PENISTON A&M 0138 (10 98,15.98)	THOUGHT 'YA KNEW	20
7	59	54	90	KENNY G A** ARISTA 18646 (10 98 15 98)	BREATHLESS	2
+	51	48	4	EVERETTE HARP BLUE NOTE 89297/CAPITOL (9 98 15 98)	COMMON GROUND	4
+	54	_	2	LIGHTER SHADE OF BROWN MERCURY 522479 (10 98 EQ/15 98		54
+	56	55	23	HAMMER ● GIANT 24545 WARNER BROS. (10 98/16 9B)	THE FUNKY HEADHUNTER	2
+	49	51	43	SALT-N-PEPA A NEXT PLATEAU LO "DO" B 8. 1 ISLAND (10.98 16	98) VERY NECESSARY	6
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1	57	50	8	ANT BANKS JIVE 41534 (9 98 15 98)	THE BIG BADASS	- 10
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+	63	49	21	ANGELA WINBUSH ELEKTRA 61591 (10.98/15.98)	ANGELA WINBUSH	1
v	76	75	38	QUEEN LATIFAH ● MOTOWN 6370 (9.98/15.98)	BLACK REIGN	1
4	58	57	11	AHMAD GIANT 24548*IWARNER BROS. (10,98/15.98)	AHMAD	41
1	69	53	10	VARIOUS ARTISTS THUMP 4020 (10.98/15.98)		3
4	_				OLD SCHOOL VOLUME II	3.
	62	72	8	RUFFHOUSE 57462* COLUMBIA (9 98 EQ/15 98)	BLUNTED ON REALITY	6
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+	70	76	7	THE BEATNUTS VIOLATOR 1179*/RELATIVITY (9 98 16 98)	THE BEATNUTS	21
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+		78	24	GERALD ALBRIGHT ATLANTIC 82552/AG (10.98/16 98)	SMOOTH	2:
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+	66	64	11	AL JARREAU REPRISE 45422/WARNER BROS (10.98/15.98)	TENDERNESS	2:
+	65	80	13	BLACKGIRL KAPER 66359,RCA (9 98/15.98)	TREAT U RIGHT	41
1	78	81	41	ZAPP & ROGER REPRISE 45143/WARNER BROS. (10.98/15.98)	ALL THE GREATEST HITS	9
	07	66	9	WAR AVENUE 71706* (10 98/15.98)	PEACE SIGN	5
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#### DISNEY, BELLMARK TEAM MICKEY MOUSE WITH TAG TEAM

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offered for sale [via direct-response] without an opportunity for a special-ty retailer to sell product is a poor situation," Walker says.

Disney hopes to smooth any ruffled retail feathers with dump bins and posters. The label also plans to hold in-store display contests in conjunction with the release, Jaffe says.

"Mickey Unrapped" was inspired, in part, by the success of "Mickey Mouse Disco," a 1980 album that reached No. 35 and was certified by the RIAA for sales of more than 1 million copies.

According to Jaffe, Bellmark became involved in the project after Disney inquired about covering "Whoomp! (There It Is)." After discussions, it was decided that Tag Team should be featured on the remake of the song.

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Says Bell, "It moves Tag Team, as a rap performing act, into a whole other arena. No other rap act has been associated with Mickey Mouse before. It will give them all-American appeal."

The association with Disney can only be positive, Bell says. "I don't

see any negative," he says. "Rap is often portrayed in an unfair light. With Tag Team involved with Mickey Mouse, it will put a positive slant on rap music. It may also be appreciated by a consumer who may not have been amenable to it in the past."

The duo is preparing its own remix EP, tentatively due in late September, and is working on its next album. Bell says Tag Team's association with Disney "will help keep their name out there" while the duo finishes its own projects.

"It also enhances them from a mer-

chandising standpoint and a concert standpoint," Bell adds. "Venues where other rap acts haven't been able to play in the past, like county fairs, may have second thoughts now."

Tag Team's Glenn, who goes by the stage name D.C., says he initially was hesitant about working on the recording with the Disney voice artists. "We walked in and we didn't know what to expect," he says. "We're hip-hop and trying to uphold an image that is true and real, but not necessarily hardcore." But Glenn isn't overly concerned that the association with Disney will hurt Tag Team's credibility. "We realized that this is about business and marketing. It's silly and corny, but it's kind of cool," he says. "It's for the kids, which is a whole other market. If people can't understand that we did it for the kids as something positive, then the hell with them."

Glenn also is optimistic that the collaboration will open the door to work on other Disney projects in the future.

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2	1	1	13	ANY TIME, ANY PLACE/AND ON AND ON   J.JAM, T.LEWIS, J.JACKSON (J.JACKSON, J.HARRIS, T.LEWIS)	◆ JANET JACKSON (C) (T) (X) VIRGIN 38435
3	4	9	5	STROKE YOU UP	◆ CHANGING FACES SPOILED ROTTEN/BIG BEAT 98279/ATLANTIC
4	2	2	13	FUNKDAFIED   J.DUPRI,M.SEAL (J.DUPRI,DA BRAT)	◆ DA BRAT (C) (T) SO SO DEF/CHAOS 77523/COLUMBIA
5	3	3	17	I MISS YOU   G.CAUTHEN (G.CAUTHEN,A.HALL)	◆ AARON HALL (C) SILAS 54847/MCA
6	8	11	11	WHEN CAN I SEE YOU BABYFACE, L.A. REID, D. SIMMONS (BABYFACE)	◆ BABYFACE (C) (D) (M) (T) (V) (X) EPIC 77550
7	6	7	9	ALWAYS IN MY HEART BABYFACE,D.SIMMONS (BABYFACE,SIMMONS)	◆ TEVIN CAMPBELL (C) (D) (V) QWEST 1B260/WARNER BROS.
8	5	5	16	SENDING MY LOVE NAUGHTY BY NATURE (R.NUEFVILLE, NAUGHTY BY NATURE)	◆ ZHANE (C) (D) (T) ILLTOWN 2242/MOTOWN
9	14	21	3	I'D GIVE ANYTHING D.FOSTER (C.FARREN, J.STEELE, V.MILAMED)	GERALD LEVERT (C) (D) EASTWEST 98244
10	9	8	14	THE RIGHT KINDA LOVER  J.JAM,T.LEWIS (J.HARRIS,T.LEWIS,A.BENNETT-NESBY,J.WRIGHT)	◆ PATTI LABELLE (C) (T) (V) MCA 54673
11	7	4	17	BACK & FORTH ● R.KELLY (R.KELLY)	◆ AALIYAH (C) (T) (X) BLACKGROUND 42174/JIVE
12	10	6	19	WILLING TO FORGIVE BABYFACE, D. SIMMONS (BABYFACE, D. SIMMONS)	◆ ARETHA FRANKLIN (C) (D) (M) (T) ARISTA 1-2680
13	16	20	111	TOOTSEE ROLL 95 SOUTH (DA' S.W.A.T. TEAM)	◆ 69 BOYZ (C) (M) (T) (X) R(P-IT 6911
14	11	12	15	YOUR BODY'S CALLIN' ● R.KELLY (R.KELLY)	◆ R. KELLY (C) (T) (X) JIVE 42220
15	23	27	5	THIS D.J.	♦ WARREN G (C) (M) (T) (X) VIOLATOR/RAL 853 236/ISLAND
16	21	33	6	NEVER LIE C.STOKES,C.CUENI (C.STOKES,C.CUENI)	IMMATURE (C) MCA 54B50
17	17	15	11	BOOTI CALL T.RILEY,M.RILEY,E.SERMON (RILEY,SERMON,SYLVERS,RILEY,DICKEY,TROI	◆ BLACKSTREET
18	12	10	18	I'M NOT OVER YOU S.HURLEY (S.HURLEY, J. PRINCIPLE, M.DOC)	◆ CE CE PENISTON (C) (T) (X) A&M 0574/PERSPECTIVE
19	13	13	16	FANTASTIC VOYAGE ▲ DOBBS THE WIND (IVEY, DOBBS, ALEXANDER, BEAVERS, CRAIG, MCCAIN, SHI	◆ COOLIO
20	25	29	5	DO YOU WANNA GET FUNKY R.CLIVILLES,D.COLE (R.CLIVILLES,D.COLE,D.RAMOS)	◆ C+C MUSIC FACTORY (C) (M) (T) (X) COLUMBIA 77582
(21)	22	22	4	SLOW WINE TONY!TONITONE! (D.WIGGINS, THE WHOLE NINE)	◆ TONY! TONI! TONE!
22	20	14	9	WHAT ABOUT US	(C) WING 853 476/MERCURY  JODECI
23	15	16	13	D.SWING (SWING, D.MOORE, L.TROUTMAN, R.TROUTMAN, S.MURDOCK)  90'S GIRL	(C) UPTOWN 54861/MCA  ◆ BLACKGIRL
24	19	19	17	CHRISTIAN,T.RILEY,SCOTT,SMITH (WARREN,RUSSELL,FOOTE,MCCANN,FIII  BACK IN THE DAY  KENDAL (A.A.LEWIS,S.K.GORDY)	(C) (T) (X) KAPER 62865/RCA  AHMAD  (C) (M) (T) (X) GIANT 18217
				***GREATEST GAINER	
<b>25</b>	41	100	3	FLAVA IN YA EAR EASY MO BEE (C.MACK)	◆ CRAIG MACK (C) (D) (M) (T) BAD BOY 7-9001/ARISTA
<b>26</b>	28	26	9	NUTTIN' BUT LOVE HEAVY D., KID CAPRI (KID CAPRI, HEAVY D.)	◆ HEAVY D & THE BOYZ (C) UPTOWN 54865/MCA
27)	27	36	8	SPEND THE NIGHT R.KELLY (R.KELLY)	◆ N-PHASE (C) MAVERICK/SIRE 18194/REPRISE
28	30	28	7	WHEN I GIVE MY LOVE K.SWEAT,F.SCOTT,J.JEFFERSON (K.SWEAT,F.SCOTT,J.JEFFERSON)	KEITH SWEAT (C) ELEKTRA 64525
29	26	18	20	ANYTHING (FROM "ABOVE THE RIM") B.A.MORGAN (B.A.MORGAN)	◆ SWV (C) (T) (V) (X) RCA 62B34
30	33	30	13	WEEKEND LOVE/BLACK HAND SIDE S.I.D.,KAY GEE (D.OWENS,S.REYNOLDS,T.REBEL)	◆ QUEEN LATIFAH (C) (T) (X) MOTOWN 2249
31)	49	69	3	AFRO PUFFS DR.DRE,DAT NIGGA DAZ (THE LADY OF RAGE,DAT NIGGA DAZ)	◆ THE LADY OF RAGE (C) DEATH ROW 98233/INTERSCOPE
32	24	17	18	REGULATE (FROM "ABOVE THE RIM") ▲ WARREN G (WARREN G,NATE DOGG)	◆ WARREN G & NATE DOGG (C) DEATH ROW 9B2B0/INTERSCOPE
33	31	37	9	FUNKY Y-2-C C.MILLS II,C.MILLS (T.HAYES)	◆ THE PUPPIES (C) (M) (T) (X) CHAOS 77461/COLUMBIA
34	50	_	2	* * * GREATEST GAINER/A  SUMMER BUNNIES R.KELLY (R.KELLY, R.CALHOUN)	\(\text{IRPLAY * * * * } \\
35	32	25	12	THE PLACE WHERE YOU BELONG (FROM "BEVERLY C.MARTIN, D.VAN RENSALIER, M.GAY, G. BRIGHT (MARTIN, VAN RENSALIER,	HILLS COP III") ◆ SHAI
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36	34	23	23	L.A.REID, DAD TROCE, D. SIMIMONS (L.A.REID, DAD TRACE, D. SIMIMONS)	(C) (D) (M) (V) LAFACE 2-4064/ARISTA
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50	57	60	4	ACTION  D.KELLY (D.KELLY)  ◆ TERROR FABULOUS F	EATURING NADINE SUTHERLAND (C) (D) (M) (T) EASTWEST 98260
51	39	38	17	100% PURE LOVE THE BASEMENT BOYS (C.WATERS,T.DOUGLAS,T.DAVIS,J.STEINHOUR)	◆ CRYSTAL WATERS (C) (M) (T) (X) MERCURY 858 485
52	47	43	12	INFATUATION J.FOXX (J.FOXX)	◆ JAMIE FOXX (C) FOX 62886
<b>53</b>	58	74	3	YOUR LOVE IS A K.WHITEHEAD (K.WHITEHEAD,E.JOHNSON,DR.DRE,SNOOP)	◆ WHITEHEAD BROS. (C) MOTOWN 2253
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(54)	NE	<b>N &gt;</b>	1	LETITGO PRINCE (PRINCE)	PRINCE (C) (D) (V) WARNER BROS. 18074
55	52	56	11	NAPPY HEADS LIVE (N.JEAN,S.MICHEL,L.HILL,S.SCOTT)	◆ FUGEES (TRANZLATOR CREW) (C) (M) (T) RUFFHOUSE 77643/COLUMBIA
56	53	55	7	TAKE IT EASY KRS-ONE (MAD LION)	◆ MAD LION (M) (T) WEEDED 20094*/NERVOUS
<b>57</b>	65	68	6	YOU DON'T HAVE TO CRY V.HERBERT (V.HERBERT, J.THOMAS)	◆ N II U (C) (D) (M) ARISTA 1-2715
58	46	42	13	ANYTIME YOU NEED A FRIEND W.AFANASIEFF,M.CAREY (M.CAREY,W.AFANASIEFF)	◆ MARIAH CAREY (C) (D) (M) (T) (V) (X) COLUMBIA 77528
59	54	54	7	SWEET FUNKY THING T.FARAGHER,L.GOLDEN (T.FARAGHER,L.GOLDEN,E.KING)	ETERNAL (C) EMI 58242
60	55	44	12	LET ME LOVE YOU B.A.MORGAN (B.A.MORGAN)	◆ LALAH HATHAWAY (C) (T) VIRGIN 38430
<b>61</b>	62	70	4	HAPPINESS K.DEANE (B.LAWRENCE,K.DEANE)	BILLY LAWRENCE (C) (D) EASTWEST 98264
62	78	93	3	CAN U GET WIT IT D.SWING (SWING)	◆ USHER (C) (D) (M) (T) LAFACE 2-4075/ARISTA
<b>63</b>	67	82	4	THROUGH THE RAIN KJACKSON,E.WHITE,P.LAURENCE (K.JACKSON,E.WHITE,B.WILLIAMS)	TANYA BLOUNT (C) POLYDOR 853 314/ISLAND
64	61	50	16	CAN'T GET ENOUGH BABYFACE (BABYFACE, J. ROBINSON)	◆ EL DEBARGE (C) (D) (V) REPRISE 18155
65	59	59	7	TONIGHT ORGANIZED NOIZE (B.BENNETT, M.ETHERIDGE, ORGANIZED NOIZE)	♦ XSCAPE (M) (T) SO SO DEF 77304*/COLUMBIA
66	73	64	9	PUMP BAKA BOYS (D.HAWKINS,E.VIDAL,N.VIDAL,A.MILLER,R.TROUTMAN)	◆ VOLUME 10 (C) (T) (X) IMMORTAL 62844/RCA
67	63	63	7	DON'T STOP T.RILEY (T.RILEY, A.DAVIDSON, M.SMITH, I.DAVIDSON)	◆ HAMMER (C) (M) (T) (X) GIANT 18136
68	64	53	8	THE MOON BOOGALOO, CAMILLE (BOOGALOO, CAMILLE, E. ROBERSON)	◆ ERIC ROBERSON (C) WARNER BROS. 18411
69	71	65	8	DIARY OF A MADMAN RNS,RZA (P.HUSTON,R.DIGGS,A.BERKELEY,A.HAMILTON,D.COLLINS,W.RI	◆ GRAVEDIGGAZ
70	70	78	4	NO GUNS, NO MURDER DA BIG DAADEE (A.TAYLOR,A.M.BREWSTER)	◆ RAYVON (M) (T) (X) VP 5399°
$\overline{n}$	83	95	3	UNITED FRONT	◆ ARRESTED DEVELOPMENT
72	69	66	20	SPEECH (SPEECH)  LOVE ON MY MIND	(C) (M) (T) (X) CHRYSALIS 58199/EMI  ◆ XSCAPE
73	68	79	4	SOMETHING'S WRONG (BUMP N' GRIND)	(C) (M) (T) (V) (X) SO SO DEF 77438/COLUMBIA  ASHANTI
(74)	NE	N ▶	1	M.GOODE,K.EVANS (R.KELLY)  JUICY/UNBELIEVABLE	(C) (X) STREET LIFE 78007/SCOTTI BROS.  ◆ THE NOTORIOUS B.I.G.
(75)	79	86	4	SEAN COMBS, POKE (THE NOTORIOUS B.I.G.)  THIS IS FOR THE LOVER IN YOU  CHERUIT OF ROUTE IN THE TENTORIOUS B.I.G.)	(C) (D) (M) (T) BAD BOY 7-9004/ARISTA  ◆ GERALD ALBRIGHT
<b>(76)</b>	NE	<b>~</b> ►	1	G ALBRIGHT, C. BOOKER (H. HEWETT, D. MEYERS)  WHERE IS MY LOVE?  BABYFACE (EL DEBARGE, BABYFACE)	(C) ATLANTIC B7227  EL DEBARGE
11	75	_	6	NOTHING HAS EVER FELT LIKE THIS B.J.EASTMOND (R.FERRELL)	(C) (D) (V) REPRISE 18140  ◆ RACHELLE FERRELL
78	66	57	12	B.S.ESTMORD (R.FERRELL)  SOMEWHERE  K.GRIIFIN, I.LEE, C. WILLIAMS (S. WILSON, C. WILLIAMS, K. GRIFFIN, I.LEE)	(C) MANHATTAN 5B218/CAPITOL  ◆ SHANICE
79	77	73	10	THE WORLD IS YOURS P.ROCK (P.PHILLIPS, N.JONES)	(C) MOTOWN 2240  ♦ NAS
80	76	62	12	INNER CITY BLUES RISLEY A, WINBUSH (M, GAYE J, NYX)	(C) (T) COLUMBIA 77514  ◆ ANGELA WINBUSH (C) (D) ELEKTRA 61591
(81)	88	_	2	COLOR ME BLUE	TINA MOORE
82)	84	_	2	M.J.POWELL (G.JOHNSON,L.GUSHINIERE,R.HARRIS)  RECOGNIZED THRESHOLDS OF NEGATIVE STRESS	(C) STREET LIFE 75392/SCOTTI BROS.  ◆ BOOGIEMONSTERS
83	74	61	9	D! (D.JACKSON,M.MCCANN,A.MEYERS,S.MYERS,S.POLLARD)  OLD TO THE NEW	(C) (T) PENDULUM 58184/EMI  ◆ NICE & SMOOTH
84	72	72	4	L.VEGA (D.BARNES,G.MAYS,L.VEGA)  WHAT CAN I SAY TO YOU (TO JUSTIFY MY LOVE)	(C) (T) RAL B53 238/ISLAND  ◆ HI-FIVE & NUTTIN' NYCE
85	80	77	10	ART & RHYTHM (L.CAMPBELL,T.LOVELACE,L.WALLACE)  I WANNA BE YOURS	(C) JIVE 42228  ◆ TRELLINI
(86)	98	_	2	B.BURRELL (T.DAVIS,B.BURRELL) HERE I AM	GLENN JONES
<b>87</b> )	NE	NÞ	1	C.KING (G.JONES,C.KING)  JOI	(C) (X) ATLANTIC 87232  ◆ LONDON JONES
88	86	81	8	C.STEWART,S.HALL (L.JONES,C.STEWART,S.HALL)  EASY COME, EASY GO	(C) (D) (T) SILAS 54871/MCA  ◆ JOE PUBLIC
89	82	83	12	L.JOB.JOE PUBLIC (J.CARTER, J.SAYLES, K.SCOTT, D.WYATT)  CAPTAIN SAVE A HOE STUDIO E AO LE STEMENS	(C) (T) COLUMBIA 77504  ◆ E-40
90	91	90	7	STUDIO TON,E-40 (E.STEVENS)  DON'T LET IT GO TO YOUR HEAD/GIVE IT TO YA  SHIPLEY MARKET EDE MO (MIRLEY M. DOC SAVAGE DOUGLES & MORE)	(C) (T) SICK WID' IT 42230/JIVE  ◆ CHANTAY SAVAGE
91	87	85	8	S.HURLEY,M.DOC, JERE MC (HURLEY,M.DOC, SAVAGE, PRINCIPLE, MCALLIS  CAN IT BE ALL SO SIMPLE	TER,MILLER,MOHR) (C) (T) (X) I.D. 62788/RCA  ◆ WU-TANG CLAN
92	85	67	14	PRINCE RAKEEM (WU-TANG CLAN, A. BERGMAN, M. BERGMAN, M. HAMLISC CROOKLYN (FROM "CROOKLYN")	H) (C) (T) (X) LOUD 62891/RCA  ◆ THE CROOKLYN DODGERS
93	92	94	4	A TRIBE CALLED QUEST (ARCHER, BLAKE, CLEAR, DAVIS, MUHAMMAD)  DEEP DOWN	(C) (T) 40 ACRES AND A MULE 54837/MCA  ◆ LADAE
94	81	76	8	THE HITMAKERS, K. DEANE (T. WILSON, Q. BOOGIE, D. BENBOW, C. KELLAM, K.  EASY TO LOVE	.DEANE) (C) POLYDOR 853 232/ISLAND  ◆ FOR REAL
(95)	NE/		1	J.HESS (J.HESS,N.BRAY)  DON'T FRONT	(C) (T) A&M 0670/PERSPECTIVE  ◆ MISSJONES
96	97	99	3	TUMBLIN' DICE (T.JONES, R.SMITH, A.MARSHALL, T.SMITH, J.CHONG)  I GET THE JOB DONE	(C) (T) STEP SUN 7133  ◆ BRIGETTE MCWILLIAMS
97)	NEV		1	J.DUPRI (J.DUPRI,M.SEAL,K.SPEARS)  HIP HOP RIDE	(C) (T) VIRGIN 38437 ◆ DA YOUNGSTA'S
98	89	84	8	M.MARL (Q.GOODMAN, T.GOODMAN, T.DAWSON, C.HARTE, M.MARL)  SEE ME	(C) (T) EASTWEST 9824D  ◆ DRAMA
99	99	04	2	G.LEVERT,E.NICHOLAS (G.LEVERT,E.NICHOLAS)  NONE OF YOUR BUSINESS	(C) (T) PERSPECTIVE 7458  ◆ SALT-N-PEPA
100	96		2	S.AZOR (H.AZOR,S.AZOR,M.OLIVER)  IT'S A SUMMER THANG	(C) NEXT PLATEAU/LONDON 857 578/ISLAND OC FEATURING CHANTAY SAVAGE
100	30		-	M.DOC, JERE MC (M.DOC, S.CARTER, J.MCALLISTER, C.SAVAGE)	(M) (T) (X) INDASOUL 1000°

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STRAIGHT TO THE TOP: "I'll Make Love To You" by Boyz II Men (Motown) jumps 18-1 on the Hot R&B Singles chart. "I'll Make Love" also debuts at No. 1 on the Hot R&B Singles Sales chart. At radio, it's No. 1 at six stations, including WZAK Cleveland, WQMG Greensboro, N.C., and WUSL Philadelphia. On the Hot 100, "I'll Make Love" jets to No. 2.

OP BRAT: "Funkdafied" by DaBrat (So So Def) holds onto the No. 1 spot on the Hot Rap Singles chart for a ninth week, breaking Salt-N-Pepa's record eight-week reign with "Expression." "Funkdafied" also is No. 1 on the monitored rap chart in the R&B Airplay Monitor.

A LIMITED ENGAGEMENT: This week's Hot Shot Debut comes from Prince, and yes, you can say Prince—for now, anyway. You can look for a book from the "Symbol" sometime in the near future. "Letitgo" (Warner Bros.) enters the chart at No. 54, and ranks top 10 at WROU Dayton, Ohio, WFXE New Orleans, KXOK St. Louis, and WMMJ Washington, D.C.

FOSTERING HITS: After only three weeks on the chart, "I'd Give Anything" by Gerald Levert (EastWest) breaks into the top 10. This is the fastest-breaking single of his solo career. "I'd Give Anything" is top 5 at eight stations and No. 1 at three others: WCDX Richmond, Va., KMJJ Shreveport, La., and WROU Dayton. "Anything" reaches No. 39 on the Hot 100. Levert's song was produced by David Foster, who has also produced smashes for All-4-One and Whitney Houston. Foster is clearly a producer who understands the chemistry between country and R&B.

of Donnie and Marie Osmond's television show in the mid-'70s. The truth is that R&B and country music fans appreciate similar sentiments, and we both like a little foot . . . I mean, booty-shakin' in our music. There is a long and rich history of R&B and country artists singing, writing, and producing together. It didn't sink in until I looked at a Billboard chart that some of my favorite Ray Charles songs were from "Modern Sounds In County And Western Music." "Georgia On My Mind" and "I Can't Stop Loving You" are really country music! Charles scored a country No. 1 with Willie Nelson, "Seven Spanish Angels." Charles isn't the only artist who loves that country sound and earned country chart success. In 1974, the Pointer Sisters earned a Grammy and a top 40 country hit with "Fairy Tale." Anita Pointer and Earl Thomas Conley went to No. 2 with "Too Many Times." The writer/producer most closely associated with country success is Lionel Richie, who gave Kenny Rogers two No. 1 hits, "Lady" and "I Don't Need You." Richie also did a duet with Alabama on the flip side of "Ballerina Girl," on Motown in 1986: "Deep River Woman" went top 10. We all know what Whitney Houston did for Dolly Parton's song. Did you know that Dorothy Moore's "Misty Blue" and "We're In This Love Together" by Al Jarreau were both penned by country writers? So the success of "I Swear" by All-4-One, and now the acceptance of Gerald Levert's "I'd Give Anything" is no surprise. The spectrum of music is wide, and the pleasures that music offers are enormous. So register today and meet me at the Billboard/ Monitor Conference and Radio Awards, where radio from all formats will meet Sept. 8-11 at the New York Hilton.

## BUBBLING UNDER. HOT R&B SINGLES

THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	WEEKS ON	TITLE ARTIST (LABEL/DISTRIBUTING LABEL)	THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	WEEKS ON	TITLE ARTIST (LABEL/DISTRIBUTING LABEL)
1	4	4	WRONG SIDE OF DA TRACKS ARTIFACTS (BIG BEAT/ATLANTIC)	14	12	2	IT'S YOUR BIRTHDAY LUKE (LUKE)
2	5	4	BOW WOW JOHNNY "GUITAR" WATSON (WILMA)	15	7	8	WHY GOODBYE PEABO BRYSON (COLUMBIA)
3	3	4	ON POINT HOUSE OF PAIN (TOMMY BOY)	16	15	5	MONEY IS EVERYTHING DOMINO (OUTBURST, RAL/COLUMBIA)
4	2	11	LATE NITE CREEP (BOOTY CALL) MC BREED (WRAP/ICHIBAN)	17	14	15	PROPS OVER HERE THE BEATNUTS (VIOLATOR/RELATIVITY)
5	-	1	IN THE PJ's BIG DADDY KANE (MCA)	18	-	1	THE CHOICE IS YOURS EMAGE (MERCURY)
6	-	1	GUCCI DANCE SAM THE BEAST (SIREN)	19		1	LOVE WOMAN SO MAD LION (BREAK A DAWN/VP)
7	13	3	CHECK THE VIBE DRED SCOTT (TUFF BREAK/A&M)	20	23	2	WEST COAST BOOGIE SHELLO (GIANT)
8	1	3	CAUGHT IN THE MIDDLE JULIET ROBERTS (REPRISE)	21	6	12	NOBODY RIDES FOR FREE BIGGY SMALLZ (LIFE/BELLMARK)
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#### MOTOWN HONORS TEMPTATIONS

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reveal the title of the track.)

The Temptations have recorded more than 40 albums, and Weinger had more than 400 tracks from which to select material for the set. The end result spans 33 years and features classics from every period of the group's Motown history—from 1964 chart-topper "My Girl," through '70s gems "Just My Imagination (Running Away From Me)" and "Papa Was A Rollin' Stone," to the '80s hits "Standing On The Top," "Treat Her Like A Lady," and "Lady Soul"

An 80-page booklet containing rare photos, a complete discography, and essays by Weinger and writer Nelson George also are included.

Noting that the Temptations are cultural icons, Candace Bond, Motown's director of special markets and catalog development, says, "Their music has been the soundtrack for many people's lives, and they appeal to a very broad audience." Bond says the label is mounting a multifaceted campaign to promote and publicize "Emperors Of Soul."

Today's Temptations are original members Williams and Melvin Franklin, along with Ron Tyson and Ali Ollie Woodson, who joined the group in the '80s, and new addition Theo Peoples. Two other original members, Eddie Kendricks and Paul Williams, are deceased, as is David Ruffin, who became a Temptation in 1964.

The group will receive a star on the Hollywood Walk Of Fame Sept. 15, and Bond says the label seeks TV exposure



THE TEMPTATIONS

for the event. A booking for "The Today Show" has been set.

An across-the-board print campaign is planned, and point-of-purchase materials are being prepared. A number of syndicated radio specials are in the works. Says Bond, "We're exploring several marketing possibilities to reach the 30-plus demographic, including online computer services and cinema spots."

Motown has hired an independent public relations firm to implement an intensive press campaign for the set.

Group member Williams is amazed by some of the material unearthed for the set. "There are songs we'd forgotten, like Witchcraft' [a 1963 cut] and a big-band version of 'Old Man River.'

The four new recordings included on "Emperors Of Soul" were co-produced with Franklin and Dennis Nelson. They mark the beginning of a new 'lifetime' contract the group signed with Motown last December.

#### **VANDROSS DEVOTES NEW SET TO COVERS**

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"Endless Love" campaign, Beck says, "We're still reviewing opportunities for Mariah to physically participate."

The label also seeks TV exposure for Vandross on morning and latenight shows. "Luther will be actively involved in the presentation of the record." says Beck. "We feel he is as enthusiastic as we are, and is involved in the setup plans for the record."

"Songs" will be a major holidayseason priority for Epic, and Beck says there is enough depth to the album to continue releasing singles well into 1995.

He also reports that Vandross' nine-album catalog will be emphasized at retail. "The Christmas season is coming, and underneath our efforts to push 'Songs' will be an account-by-account tailoring of catalog positioning," he says.

A tour is probable, though nothing is definite yet. "I see him going out, although management still is reviewing things," Beck says. "But I don't anticipate him going out before spring of '95."





by Jeff Levenson

THIS IS A MANN'S WORLD: Two years ago, flutist Herbie Mann began making plans for his own record company. He had not been associated with a major (or minor) label since he left Atlantic in 1979, and he felt a growing discontent with the ways and means of the music industry. What were his ideas for running his own show?

- "To record established artists with a tailored concept that showcases their talents in a distinguished manner;
- manner;
   "To develop special new artists with a clear vision that is sensitive to their unique talents;
- "To pay more equitable (and accountable) royalties to featured artists;

And "to pay sidemen royalties—an unprecedented (and long overdue) policy in the record industry."
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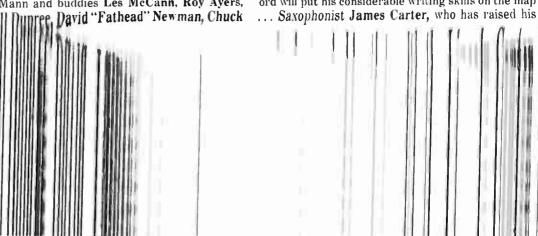
Blasphemous thoughts for any jazz business, to be sure. Finally, however, Mann is getting his shot. His Kokopelli label (so named for the flute-playing Native American god of harmony, magic, and healing who is said to hang out near Mann's digs in Santa Fe, N.M.) kicks off with the release of "Deep Pocket," which stars Mann and buddies Les McCann, Roy Ayers,

("Black Orpheus"). Expect them through Distribution North America.

METAL PLAY: "Between The Sheets" (wink), the Warner Bros. album from the group Fourplay (wink wink), has been certified gold with sales exceeding 500,000 units. The album has been hanging near the top of the Contemporary chart for close to a year. The group is set to begin recording its third album in the fall. Suggested title for the next disc (sure to please at least one quartet member): "Foreplay" (as in dimpled balls, freshly mown fairways, and undulating greens)... The self-titled debut recording from Take 6, issued in 1988 on Reprise, has been certified platinum for sales exceeding 1 million.

Signings: Columbia is recording the second batch of titles for its Legendary Pioneers imprint. The first included works by George Wein, Doc Cheatham, and Alvin Batiste; the second features pianist Valerie Capers, bassist Milt Hinton, and altoist Lou Donaldson. Expect to see them in January.

MORE SIGNINGS (From This Side Of The Atlantic): Altoist Gary Bartz, who isn't quite ready for old-time pioneer status, has been signed by Atlantic and enters the studio in September ... Altoist Wes Anderson, who has achieved a fair bit of notoriety playing alongside Wynton Marsalis, has his debut scheduled for October. Eight of the album's nine compositions are his, and there's a strong sense this record will put his considerable writing skills on the map Sayonhonist James Carter, who has raised his



## Hot R&B Airplay...

Compiled from a national sample of airplay supplied by Broadcast Data Systems' Radio Track service. 74 R&B stati are electronically monitored 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Songs ranked by gross impressions, computed by cross referencing exact times of airplay with Arbitron listener data. This data is used in the Hot R&B Singles chart. ns' Radio Track service. 74 R&B stations

THIS WEEK	AST WEEK	WEEKS ON	TITLE ARTIST (LABEL/DISTRIBUTING LABEL)	THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	WEEKS ON	TITLE
-		5	* * NO. 1 * *	38	38	9	WHEN I GIVE MY LOVE KEITH SWEAT (ELEKTRA)
1	3	15	SENDING MY LOVE ZHANE (ILLTOWN/MOTOWN) 1 wk at No. 1	39	40	11	BIGGEST PART OF ME TAKE 6 (REPRISE)
2	1	14	ANY TIME, ANY PLACE JANET JACKSON (VIRGIN)	40	37	12	THE PLACE WHERE YOU BELONG SHAI (MCA)
3	2	16	I MISS YOU AARON HALL (SILAS/MCA)	41	44	3	AFRO PUFFS THE LADY OF RAGE (DEATH ROW)
4	6	8	AT YOUR BEST (YOU ARE LOVE) AALIYAH (BLACKGROUND/JIVE)	42	46	3	YOUR LOVE IS A WHITEHEAD BROS. (MOTOWN)
(5)	8	2	I'LL MAKE LOVE TO YOU BOYZ II MEN (MOTOWN)	43	42	13	BACK IN THE DAY AHMAD (GIANT)
6	4	31	ALWAYS IN MY HEART TEVIN CAMPBELL (QWEST/WARNER BROS.)	44	35	8	LOVE SIGN NONA GAYE & 4 (NPG/BELLMARK)
7	5	18	BACK & FORTH AALIYAH (BLACKGROUND/JIVE)	45	41	27	HOW MANY WAYS TONI BRAXTON (LAFACE/ARISTA)
8	10	11	WHEN CAN I SEE YOU BABYFACE (EPIC)	46	51	11	WHERE MY HOMIEZ? ILL AL SKRATCH (MERCURY)
9	11	11	FUNKDAFIED DA BRAT (SO SO DEF/CHAOS/COLUMBIA)	47	54	3	JOY BLACKSTREET (INTERSCOPE)
10	14	4	STROKE YOU UP CHANGING FACES (SPOILED ROTTEN/BIG BEAT)	48	45	7	INFATUATION JAMIE FOXX (FOX)
11	7	14	THE RIGHT KINDA LOVER PATTI LABELLE (MCA)	49	50	6	AGE AIN'T NOTHING BUT A AALIYAH (BLACKGROUND/JIVE)
12	13	4	I'D GIVE ANYTHING GERALD LEVERT (EASTWEST)	50	71	2	FLAVA IN YA EAR CRAIG MACK (BAD BOY/ARISTA)
13	9	18	WILLING TO FORGIVE ARETHA FRANKLIN (ARISTA)	51	61	2	TONIGHT SWEET SABLE (STREET LIFE/SCOTTI BROS.)
14	12	36	YOUR BODY'S CALLIN' R. KELLY (JIVE)	52	49	26	IT SEEMS LIKE YOU'RE READY R. KELLY (JIVE)
(15)	16	13	AND ON AND ON JANET JACKSON (VIRGIN)	53	48	5	SWEET FUNKY THING ETERNAL (EM))
16	15	17	I'M NOT OVER YOU CE CE PENISTON (A&M/PERSPECTIVE)	54	57	6	WHOSE IS IT? MELVIN RILEY (MCA)
17	17	17	WHAT ABOUT US JODECI (UPTOWN/MCA)	55	58	4	BOP GUN (ONE NATION) ICE CUBE (PRIORITY)
18	19	10	SLOW WINE TONY! TONI! TONE! (WING/MERCURY)	56	59	4	TOOTSEE ROLL 69 BOYZ (RIP-IT)
19)	21	5	DO YOU WANNA GET FUNKY C+C MUSIC FACTORY (COLUMBIA)	57	60	3	ACTION TERROR FABULOUS (EASTWEST)
20	18	22	ANYTHING SWV (RCA)	58	56	3	SOUTHERNPLAYALISTICADILLACMUZIK OUTKAST (LAFACE/ARISTA)
21	22	14	BOOTI CALL BLACKSTREET (INTERSCOPE)	59	43	9	100% PURE LOVE CRYSTAL WATERS (MERCURY)
22	29	9	SUMMER BUNNIES R. KELLY (JIVE)	60	65	2	BLACK COFFEE HEAVY D & THE BOYZ (UPTOWN/MCA)
23)	24	11	NUTTIN' BUT LOVE HEAVY D & THE BOYZ (UPTOWN/MCA)	61	66	4	HAPPINESS BILLY LAWRENCE (EASTWEST)
24	26	8	SPEND THE NIGHT N-PHASE (MAVERICK/SIRE/REPRISE)	62	52	18	CAN'T GET ENOUGH EL DEBARGE (REPRISE)
25	20	15	90'S GIRL BLACKGIRL (KAPER/RCA)	63	73	2	THROUGH THE RAIN TANYA BLOUNT (POLYDOR/ISLAND)
26	32	4	NEVER LIE IMMATURE (MCA)	64	75	2	ROMANTIC CALL PATRA FEATURING YO-YO (EPIC)
27)	28	3	TURN DOWN THE LIGHTS SHANICE IMOTOWN)	65	47	11	LET ME LOVE YOU LALAH HATHAWAY (VIRGIN)
28	23	27	I'M READY TEVIN CAMPBELL (QWEST/WARNER BROS.)	66	_	4	TAKE IT EASY MAD LION (WEEDED/NERVOUS)
29	25	28	YOU MEAN THE WORLD TO ME TONI BRAXTON (LAFACE/ARISTA)	67	64	8	WHERE IS MY LOVE? EL DEBARGE (REPRISE)
30	30	16	SOMEONE TO LOVE MINT CONDITION (PERSPECTIVE)	68	55	13	ANYTIME YOU NEED A FRIEND MARIAH CAREY (COLUMBIA)
31	39	5	EVERYTHING IS GONNA BE SOUNDS OF BLACKNESS (PERSPECTIVE)	69	62	20	LOVE ON MY MIND XSCAPE (SO SO DEF/COLUMBIA)
32	31	23	GOT ME WAITING HEAVY D & THE BOYZ (UPTOWN/MCA)	70	70	17	MY HEART BELONGS TO U JODECI (UPTOWN/MCA)
33	34	12	FANTASTIC VOYAGE COOLIO (TOMMY BOY)	(71)	-	1	VIBE ZHANE (MOTOWN)
34	33	7	THIS D.J. WARREN G (VIOLATOR/RAL/ISLAND)	72	_	21	LOOK INTO YOUR HEART WHITNEY HOUSTON (WARNER BROS.)
35	36	6	WEEKEND LOVE QUEEN LATIFAH (MOTOWN)	73	63	12	BLACK HAND SIDE QUEEN LATIFAH (MOTOWN)
36	27	19	REGULATE WARREN G & NATE DOGG (DEATH ROW)	74	_	1	YOU DON'T HAVE TO CRY N )I U (ARISTA)
(37)	-	1	LETITGO PRINCE (WARNER BROS.)	75	_	7	SHHH 〒 (NPG/BELLMARK)

Tracks moving up the chart with airplay gains, © 1994 Billboard/BPI Communications

#### **HOT R&B RECURRENT AIRPLAY**

1	2	4	TREAT U RITE ANGELA WINBUSH (ELEKTRA)	14	12	23	RIGHT HERE (HUMAN NATURE) SWV (RCA)
2	1	2	BELIEVE IN LOVE TEDDY PENDERGRASS (ELEKTRA)	15	13	25	HEY MR. D.J. ZHANE (FLAVOR UNIT/EPIC)
3	4	3	BUMP N' GRIND R. KELLY (JIVE)	16	14	42	THAT'S THE WAY LOVE GOES JANET JACKSON (VIRGIN)
4	3	2	THE MOST BEAUTIFUL GIRL IN 수 (NPG/BELLMARK)	17	17	16	NEVER KEEPING SECRETS BABYFACE (EPIC)
5	-	1	I BELIEVE SOUNDS OF BLACKNESS (PERSPECTIVE)	18	19	2	WORKER MAN PATRA (EPIC)
6	7	3	OLD TIMES' SAKE SWEET SABLE (STREET LIFE/SCOTTI BROS.)	19	16	12	GROOVE THANG ZHANE (ILLTOWN/MOTOWN)
7	8	4	ROUND AND ROUND GLENN JONES (ATLANTIC)	20	18	8	GONNA LOVE YOU RIGHT AFTER 7 (BEACON/FOX)
8	6	4	FEENIN' JODECI (UPTOWN/MCA)	21	20	23	ANNIVERSARY TONY! TONI! TONE! (WING/MERCURY)
9	5	2	PART TIME LOVER H-TOWN (DEATH ROW/INTERSCOPE)	22	22	23	SHOOP SALT-N-PEPA (NEXT PLATEAU/LONDON)
10	10	16	CAN WE TALK TEVIN CAMPBELL (QWEST/WARNER BROS.)	23	25	13	WHATTA MAN SALT-N-PEPA/EN VOGUE (NEXT PLATEAU)
11	15	3	MY LOVE MARY J. BLIGE (UPTOWN/MCA)	24	23	3	HOW DO YOU LIKE IT? KEITH SWEAT (ELEKTRA)
12	9	7	AND OUR FEELINGS BABYFACE (EPIC)	25	_	19	DREAMLOVER MARIAH CAREY (COLUMBIA)
13	11	8	U SEND ME SWINGIN' MINT CONDITION (PERSPECTIVE)				itles which have appeared on the Hot R&B

#### **R&B SINGLES A-Z**

- TITLE (Publisher Licensing Org.) Sheet Music Dist.
  100% PURE LOVE (Basement Boys, ASCAP/C-Water
  ASCAP/Polygram Int'l, ASCAP) HL
  90°S GIRL (Louis St., BM/Scrap Pye, BM/Truteazin' Type
- Nite, ASCAP/Donnil, ASCAP/Zomba, ASCAP/Mr. Peanut Butter ASCAP/Smokin' Sound, ASCAP/WB, ASCAP) CPP/WBM

ACTION (EMI Blackwood, BMI) HL

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- ACTION (EMI BIACKWOOD, BMI) HL
  AFRO PUFFS (Suge, ASCAP)
  ALWAYS IN MY HEART (Sony, BMI/Ecaf, BMI/BoobieLoo, BMI/Warner-Tamerlane, BMI) HL/WBM
  ANYTHING (FROM ABOVE THE RIM) (Warner-Tamerlane,
- BMI/Interscope Pearl, BMI/Bam Jams, BMI) WBM ANY TIME, ANY PLACE/AND ON AND ON (Black Ice, BMI/Flyte Tyme, ASCAP) WBM

  58 ANYTIME YOU NEED A FRIEND (Sony Songs, BMI/Rye
- ANTIME YOU NEED A FRIEND (Sony Songs. BMI/Nys Songs. BMI/WB, ASCAP/Mallyworld, ASCAP) HL/WBM BACK & FORTH (Zomba, BMI/R.Kelly, BMI) CPP BACK IN THE DAY (Interscope, ASCAP/Ahmad, ASCAP/WB, ASCAP/Kendal, ASCAP) WBM BIGGEST PART OF ME (Windswept Pacific,

- ASCAP/Longitude, BMI) WBM BOOTI CALL (Donril, ASCAP/Zomba, ASCAP/Erick non, ASCAP/MCA, ASCAP/Tadei, ASCAP/Color II
- Funky, ASCAP/Saja, BM/I/Troutman, BM/I) CPP/HL/WBM BOP GUN (ONE NATION) (Gangsta Boogie, ASCAP/WB, ASCAP/Deep Technology, ASCAP/Full Keel, ASCAP/WBM
- ASCAP) WBM
  CAN IT BE ALL SO SIMPLE (Colgems-EMI, ASCAP)
  CAN'T GET ENOUGH (Ecaf, BMI/Sony Songs,
  BMI/Browntown Sound, BMI/Yab Yum, BMI/Sony, BMI)
  CAN U GET WIT IT (DeSwing, ASCAP/EMI, ASCAP)
  CAPTAIN SAVE A HOE (Zomba, BMI/E-Forty, BMI) CPP

- CAPTAIN SAYE A HOE (Zomba, BMIZE-Forty, BMI) CPI COLOR ME BLUE (Songs from The Avenue, ASCAP/Lee Gee, ASCAP/Rons, ASCAP) CROOKLYN (FROM CROOKLYN) (Special Ed, BMI/Misam, ASCAP/Target Practice, ASCAP/Varry White, ASCAP/DAMASTA, ASCAP/Zomba, ASCAP/Jazz erchant, ASCAP) CPP
- DEEP DOWN (Polygram Int'l, ASCAP/Maynes, ASCAP/Salt Dee Nutz, ASCAP/Lanoma, ASCAP/EMI April, ASCAP)
- Der NUZ, ASCAP/Lanoma, ASCAP/EMI Apri, ASCAP/ DIARY OF A MADMAN (Fince Paul, BMI/Gefreley, ASCAP/Wu-Tang, BMI/Hamilton, BMI/Collins, BMI/Reed, BMI) DON'T FRONT (Potential, BMI/Missjones, BMI/TZiah's, BMI/Whikid & Evil, BMI/Tzmblin' Dice, ASCAP) DON'T LET IT GO TO YOUR HEAD/GIVE IT TO YA 95
- (Last Song, ASCAP/Third Coast, ASCAP)
  DON'T STOP (Donril, ASCAP/Zomba, ASCAP/Abdur Rahman, 67
- ASCAP/Smokin' Sound, BMI/EMI April, ASCAP) CPP
  20 DO YOU WANNA GET FUNKY (Cole-Clivilles,
- ASCAP/Duranman, ASCAP/EMI Virgin, ASCAP) HL EASY COME, EASY GO (Harrindur, BMI/Joe Public
- BMI/Ensign, BMI) CPP
  EASY TO LOVE (WB, ASCAP/EMS, ASCAP/Almo,
  ASCAP/Fourth Power, ASCAP) CPP/WBM
  EVERYTHING IS GONNA BE ALRICHT (Fyle Tyme,
- vid. ASCAP) WBM
- ASCAP/New Hidden Valley, ASCAP/Casa David, ASCAP FANTASTIC VOYAGE (T-Boy, ASCAP/Boo Daddy, ASCAP/Portrait-Solar ASCAP/Circle L ASCAP) HI 25 FLAVA IN YA EAR (For Ya Ear, ASCAP/Janice Co
- FUNKDAFIED (So So Def, ASCAP/EMI April, ASCAP/Air
- Control, ASCAP)
  FUNKY Y-2-C (No Hassle, ASCAP)
- GIVE IT UP (Suburban Funk, BMI/Bring The Noize, BMI/Def American, BMI)
- GOT ME WAITING (F-7-Duz-It ASCAP/Pete Rock 49 ASCAP/EMI, ASCAP/EMI April, ASCAP/Uncle Ronnie's,
- ASCAP/EMI, ASCAP/EMI April, ASCAP/Uncie Konnie s, ASCAP) WBM/HL HAPPINESS (Blue Water, BMI/EastWest, BMI/Warner Chappell, BMI/Lanoma, ASCAP/EMI April, ASCAP) HL/WBM HERE I AM (Lu Ella, ASCAP/EMI, ASCAP/Kemit,
- ASCAP)
  HIP HOP RIDE (Marley Marl, ASCAP/EMI, ASCAP/Top
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  TID GIVE ANYTHING (Full Keel, ASCAP/Farrenuff, ASCAP/Farren Curtis, BMI/Longitude, BMI/Mugust Wind, BMI/Albert Paw, BMI/Curbsongs, ASCAP/Mile Curb, BMI) WBM I GET THE JOB DONE (EMI April, ASCAP/So So Def, ASCAP/Full Keel, ASCAP/Air Control, ASCAP) WBM I'LL MAKE LOVE TO YOU (Sorry Songs, BMI/Ecaf, BMI) HL I MISS YOU (MCA, ASCAP/Jamron, ASCAP/Sweetness, RMI) HI

- I'M NOT OVER YOU (Last Song, ASCAP/Third Coast, ASCAP) I'M NOT OVER YOU (Last Song, ASCAP/Third Coast, ASCAP)
  I'M READY (Ecaf, BM/Sony, BMI) HL
  INFATUATION (Foxxhole, BMI)
  INNER CITY BLUES (Iobete, ASCAP) CPP
  I SWEAR (Morgan Active, ASCAP/Rick Hall, ASCAP)
  WBM/CLM
  IT'S A SUMMER THANG (Third Coast, ASCAP/Note By
  Note ASCAP)

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  I WANNA BE YOURS (Pac Jam, BMI) 101 (Young Bob, ASCAP/Tunes On The Verge Of Insanity, ASCAP/Gimme Some Hot Sauce, ASCAP/Famous, ASCAP/Mo Better Groove, ASCAP)
- ASCAP/Famous, ASCAP/Mo Better Groove, ASCAP)
  JUICY/JURBELIEVABLE (Tee Tee, ASCAP/Janice
  Combs, ASCAP)
  LETTGO (Controversy, ASCAP/WB, ASCAP)
  LET ME LOVE YOU (Bam Jams, BMI/Interscope Pearl,
  BMI/Warner-Tamerlane, BMI) WBM
  LOVE ON MY MIND (So So Def, ASCAP/EMI April,
  ASCAP/EMI Keel, ASCAP/EMI April,
  ASCAP/EMI Keel, ASCAP/EMI April,
- 72
- LOVE ON MY MIND (SO SO DEL, ASCAP/ZEMI ADRI. ASCAP/Full Keel, ASCAP/AIR Control, ASCAP) HL/WBM THE MOON (Smoke Effects, ASCAP) NAPPY HEADS (Tete San Ko, ASCAP/Diverse Creation, ASCAP/Sony, ASCAP/ZeMI Blackwood, BMI) HL NEVER LIE (Hook, ASCAP/Zomba, ASCAP/Teaspoon, ASCAP/SON).
- ASCAP) CPP NO GUNS, NO MURDER (Dope On Plastic,
- NONE OF YOUR BUSINESS (Sons Of K-oss ASCAP/Out Of The Basement, ASCAP/Unart, BMI/Next Plateau, ASCAP) CPP
- NOTHING HAS EVER FELT LIKE THIS (Aural Elixir, ASCAP/Rosalie, ASCAP)
  NUTTIN' BUT LOVE (Kud Capri, ASCAP/EMI April,
- ASCAP/Eazy-Duzit, ASCAP) HL
  83 OLD TO THE NEW (Nice & Smooth, ASCAP/Phat Kat, od. BMI) HL
- 35 THE PLACE WHERE YOU BELONG (FROM BEVERLY THE PLACE WHERE YOU BELONG (FROM BEVERLY HILLS COP III) (Music Corp. Of America, BMI/Casoline Alley, BMI/Vandy, ASCAP/MCA, ASCAP/Petrol Lane, ASCAP/G.Spot, BMI/Yppahc, ASCAP/Sory, ASCAP) CPP PUMP (Troutman, BMI/Sap, BMI/Rubber Band, BMI) WBM RECOGNIZED THRESHOLDS OF NEGATIVE STRESS
- ugganaut Plastic, ASCAP/Rogli, ASCAP/FM
- ASCAP/Dysfunktional Family ASCAP REGULATE (FROM ABOVE THE RIM) (Suge
- 32 MEGULATE (FROM ABOVE THE RIM) (Suge, ASCAP/Warren G, ASCAP/WB, ASCAP) WBM 10 THE RIGHT KINDA LOVER (Flyte Tyme, ASCAP/New Perspective, ASCAP) WBM 8 ROMANTIC CALL (Howie Tee, BMI/Irving, BMI/Zomba,

## Billboard. Hot R&B Singles Sales...

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THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	WEEKS ON	TITLE ARTIST (LABEL/DISTRIBUTING LABEL)	THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	WEEKS ON	TITLE ARTIST (LABEL/DISTRIBUTING LABEL)
			* * NO.1 * *	38	33	8	DIARY OF A MADMAN GRAVEDIGGAZ (GEE STREET/ISLAND)
1	-	1	I'LL MAKE LOVE TO YOU BOYZ II MEN (MOTOWN) 1 wk at No. 1	39	25	7	TAKE IT EASY MAD LION (WEEDED/NERVOUS)
2	2	4	STROKE YOU UP CHANGING FACES (SPOILED ROTTEN/BIG BEAT)	40	38	5	WHEN I GIVE MY LOVE KEITH SWEAT (ELEKTRA)
3	1	12	FUNKDAFIED DA BRAT (SO SO DEF/CHAOS)	41	42	12	PUMP VOLUME 10 (IMMORTAL/RCA)
4	3	12	TOOTSEE ROLL 69 BOYZ (RIP-IT)	42	36	12	INFATUATION JAMIE FOXX (FOX)
5	8	4	THIS D.J. WARREN G (VIOLATOR/RAL/ISLAND)	43	35	8	WHOSE IS IT? MELVIN RILEY (MCA)
6	4	17	I MISS YOU AARON HALL (SILAS/MCA)	44	40	4	SPEND THE NIGHT N-PHASE (MAVERICK/SIRE/REPRISE)
7	5	14	FANTASTIC VOYAGE COOLIO (TOMMY BOY)	45	50	6	WEEKEND LOVE/BLACK HAND SIDE
8	20	2	FLAVA IN YA EAR CRAIG MACK (BAD BOY/ARISTA)	46	56	3	CAN U GET WIT IT USHER (LAFACE/ARISTA)
9	13	4	NÉVER LIE IMMATURE (MCA)	47	57	2	SLOW WINE TONY! TONI! TONE! (WING/MERCURY)
10	16	9	BOOTI CALL BLACKSTREET (INTERSCOPE)	48	54	7	WHAT ABOUT US JODECI (UPTOWN/MCA)
11	7	15	BACK IN THE DAY AHMAD (GIANT)	49	45	21	YOU MEAN THE WORLD TO ME TONI BRAXTON (LAFACE/ARISTA)
12	11	10	FUNKY Y-2-C THE PUPPIES (CHAOS/COLUMBIA)	50	41	10	ANYTIME YOU NEED A FRIEND MARIAH CAREY (COLUMBIA)
13	6	12	ANY TIME, ANY PLACE JANET JACKSON (VIRGIN)	51	51	2	RECOGNIZED THRESHOLDS OF BOOGIEMONSTERS (PENDULUM/EMI)
14	34	2	I'D GIVE ANYTHING GERALD LEVERT (EASTWEST)	52	46	3	SOMETHING'S WRONG ASHANTI (STREET LIFE/SCOTTI BROS.)
15	15	9	WHEN CAN I SEE YOU BABYFACE (EPIC)	53	43	20	WORKER MAN PATRA (EPIC)
6	9	15	I SWEAR ALL-4-ONE (BLITZZ/ATLANTIC)	54	48	12	CAPTAIN SAVE A HOE E-40 (SICK WID' IT/JIVE)
7	17	13	THE RIGHT KINDA LOVER PATTI LABELLE (MCA)	55	69	24	BELIEVE IN LOVE TEDDY PENDERGRASS (ELEKTRA)
18	10	18	WILLING TO FORGIVE ARETHA FRANKLIN (ARISTA)	56		7	LET ME LOVE YOU LALAH HATHAWAY (VIRGIN)
9	19	6	GIVE IT UP PUBLIC ENEMY (DEF JAM/RAL/ISLAND)	57	60	23	PUMPS AND A BUMP HAMMER (GIANT)
0	12	17	BACK & FORTH AALIYAH (BLACKGROUND/JIVE)	58	47	25	THE MOST BEAUTIFUL GIRL IN.
1	18	13	YOUR BODY'S CALLIN' R. KELLY (JIVE)	59	71	2	WRONG SIDE OF DA TRACKS ARTIFACTS (BIG BEAT/ATLANTIC)
22	21	4	BOP GUN (ONE NATION) ICE CUBE (PRIORITY)	60	59	4	NO GUNS, NO MURDER RAYVON (VP)
23	39	2	AFRO PUFFS THE LADY OF RAGE (DEATH ROWE)	61	53	14	CROOKLYN THE CROOKLYN DODGERS (40 ACRES/MCA)
24	14	16	REGULATE WARREN G & NATE DOGG (DEATH ROW)	62		4	YOU DON'T HAVE TO CRY N II U (ARISTA)
5	26	12	90'S GIRL BLACKGIRL (KAPER/RCA)	63	64	2	SOMEONE TO LOVE MINT CONDITION (PERSPECTIVE)
6	24	11	PLACE WHERE YOU BELONG SHAI (MCA)	64	63	2	NOTHING HAS EVER FELT LIKE THIS RACHELLE FERRELL (MANHATTAN)
7	31	4	DO YOU WANNA GET FUNKY C+C MUSIC FACTORY (COLUMBIA)	65	62	8	CAN IT BE ALL SO SIMPLE WU-TANG CLAN (LOUD/RCA)
28	29	7	SOUTHERNPLAYALISTICADILLACMUZIK OUTKAST (LAFACE/ARISTA)	66	55	14	WARRIORS DRUM KING JUST (BLACK FIST/SELECT)
29	23	8	ALWAYS IN MY HEART TEVIN CAMPBELL (QWEST/WARNER BROS.)	67	61	18	ANYTHING SWY (RCA)
30	22	17	I'M NOT OVER YOU CE CE PENISTON (A&M/PERSPECTIVE)	68		1	GUCCI DANCE LIVE SAM THE BEAST (SIREN)
31	30	9	WHERE MY HOMIEZ? ILL AL SKRATCH (MERCURY)	69	74	8	THE WORLD IS YOURS
32	27	11	NAPPY HEADS FUGEES/TRANZLATOR CREW) (RUFFHOUSE)	70	58	8	OLD TO THE NEW
13	44	3	ROMANTIC CALL PATRA FEATURING YO-YO (EPIC)	71	65	20	PART TIME LOVER/I'M STILL
14	49	4	ACTION TERROR FABULOUS (EASTWEST)	72	52	40	DUNKIE BUTT
35	28	14	SENDING MY LOVE ZHANE (ILLTOWN/MOTOWN)	73		1	12 GAUGE (STREET LIFE/SCOTTI BROS.)  LIVE EVIL
6	32	15	100% PURE LOVE	74	66	4	NONE OF YOUR BUSINESS
37)	37	8	NUTTIN' BUT LOVE	75	72	10	SALT-N-PEPA (NEXT PLATEAU/LONDON)  OH MY GOD
_			ith increasing sales. © 1994 Billboard/BPI				a TRIBE CALLED QUEST (JIVE)

- ASCAP/Aunt Hilda, ASCAP/Street Knowledge, ASCAP) CPP 98 SEE ME (Zomba, BML/Warner-Tamerlane, BMI) CPP/WBM 8 SENDING MY LOVE (9th Town, ASCAP/Naughty, ASCAP/WB, ASCAP) WBM 21 SLOW WIRE (Tony Toni Tone, ASCAP/Pri, ASCAP/Rap
- And More, BMI)
  SOMEONE TO LOVE (New Perspective, ASCAP)
  SOMETHING'S WRONG (BUMP N' GRIND) (Zomba
- SOMEWHERE (EMI April, ASCAP/Shanice 4 U. ASCAP/KG
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  BMI/Organized Noize, BMI) CPP
  SPEND THE NIGHT (Zomba, BMI/K Kelly, BMI) CPP
  STROKE VALUE, (Zemba, BMI/K Kelly, BMI) CPP
- STROKE YOU UP (Zomba, BMI) CPP 34 SUMMER BUNNIES (Zomba, BMI/R.Kelly, BMI/Taking
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- THIS D.J. (Warren G, ASCAP)
  THIS IS FOR THE LOVER IN YOU (Epic, BMI/Solar,
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  ASCAP/Neroses, ASCAP)
  TONIGHT (Stiff Shirt, BMI/Organized Noize, BMI)
  TOOTSEE ROLL (Downlow Quad, BMI)
  TURN DOWN THE LIGHTS (Bobizzz, BMI/Mettree,

- BMI/Sony, BMI)
  UNITED FRONT (EMI Blackwood, BMI/Arrested
- WEEKEND LOVE/BLACK HAND SIDE (Queen Latifah,
- ASCAP/S.I.D, ASCAP)
  WHAT ABOUT US (EMI April, ASCAP/DeSwing Mob.
- WHAT CAN I SAY TO YOU (TO JUSTIFY MY LOVE) (Zomba
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- WHOSE IS IT? (MCA, ASCAP/Deedle Dee, ASCAP)
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- Tamerlane, BMI/Boobie-Loo, BMI) HL/WBM
  THE WORLD IS YOURS (Pete Rock, ASCAP/III Will,
- ASCAP/Skematics, ASCAP/Zomba, ASCAP) CPP YOU DON'T HAVE TO CRY (3 Boyz From Newark, ASCAP/Polygram Int'l, ASCAP/Zomba, ASCAP/Black Hand, ASCAP) CPP
- YOU MEAN THE WORLD TO ME (Stiff Shirt, BMI/Warner-Tamerlane, BMI/Ecaf, BMI/Sony Songs, BMI/Boobie-Loo, BMI) HL/WBM
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## Laswell Keeps His Influences In Sight As He Introduces A New Funk Label

PRODUCER BILL LASWELL is a global groove sculptor with a purpose. His output, he says, attempts to "connect the points" of all of his musical influences. In the "80s, Laswell cosupervised "Rockit," Herbie Hancock's seminal fusion experiment.

"It was based on my experiences in New York, hanging out in the Roxy and meeting all the early DJs like Afrika Bambaataa and DST," he says. "The idea was to incorporate the turntable as an instrument while using the [street] rhythms I was hearing at the time, including the Kraftwerk electro stuff. The process wasn't based on any scheme. It involved mixing hip-hop beats with Afro-Cuban drumming, low-end bass, phrases influenced by Black Uhuru, and riffs from jazz records like Pharaoh Sanders'."

Laswell, who owns Axiom Records, views hip-hop as part of a gorgeous musical mosaic. "You can't listen to pop without hearing the influence of some form of hip-hop, and you can't listen to hip-hop without hearing some reference to something in R&B, jazz, or even straight back-to-Africa music," he says.

Laswell recently formed Black Arc Records, a label dedicated to electric funk. The label's first five titles are "Hell And Back" by the Buddy Miles Express, "Third Eye Open" by Hardware, "Under The Six" by the Slavemasters, "Lords Of The Harvest" by Zillatron, and "Out Of The Dark" by O.G. Funk

Speaking about the O.G. Funk collective, Laswell says, "The original idea was to bring together the cornerstones of Funkadelic's psychedelic side and record some new music using repetitive phrases and riffs—a construction that's similar to hip-hop, except live instruments were used.



by Havelock Nelson

The emphasis was not on songwriting, but guests like [rappers] Melle Mel and Whipper Whip helped to create a structure. It's another experimental collaboration."

NOTES: Freeze Records, the label behind "The Frankie Cutlass Show" (the album that includes the frothy jam "Puerto Rico"), has entered a deal to begin distribution through Priority. The first single under the new agreement will be "Lazy Afternoon" by Nonchalant. The act will join Jigmasters, Grassroots, Lyrics, Chun-Li, Skitco, Rubberbandz (who rhymed on Shyheim's Virgin single "Pass It On"), and Sha-Now (formerly of the RCA crew Rumpeltilskins) on "Black Market," a compilation set that's due next month ... Pallas Records has announced a remix contest involving the fly new single by Bushwackass, "Rough, Rugg'd & Raw." The winner will receive a \$1,000 cash prize, and 500 copies of the winner's recontextualization will be serviced to radio mix shows everywhere. Interested parties should contact Pallas in New York. The deadline for submissions is Aug. 26 . . . We hear that Kool Keith from the Ultramagnetic MCs just signed with Capitol Records. The deal is said to be in the six figures ... On "Step It Up" (Illkabookey Records, Brooklyn, N.Y.) by the Funk Children, storming, edgy rhymes get hung around a trance-y, bare-bones loop.

It's adequately groovy (which isn't adequate at all), and somewhat tedious. A more imaginative chorus would help to make "Step It Up" overwhelming . . . Prior to the emergence of Illegal and Shyheim, there was Olori Rock, a baby-faced mic fiend obsessed with the shadowy street scene. Back then, feeling he'd be crushed (like a jellybean) by big-boy MCs, it was suggested he soften up his style. But Rock stayed the course. Now signed to Longevity Records, he has released the aptly titled 12-inch "Rough & Tough." This slice of goodto-go braggadocio was layered by producer Steven Brown, a loose part from influential '80s dance band the NYC Peech Boys ("Don't Make Me Wait," "Life Is Something Special").

HIGH INNERGEE: We just received issue No. 2 of Innergee, the artful (both editorially and mechanically) newsletter published by Gee Street Records. The work of editor Vivien Goldman and assistant editor (and Gee Street publicist) Donna Torrence, this newsletter is notable in that it doesn't read like a press release.

The text is colorful and informative. Among the revelations this month: Bronx rapper Mysterme's real first name is Ulysses, and Brooklyn poetess Amber Sunshower is Gee Street's latest talent signing. Besides reporting that the main theme in her work-in-progress is love, the Sunshower entry advises readers that she's collaborating with PM Dawn's quirky sonic abstracter, Prince Be. I'm expecting their pairing to blow and glow like brilliant '90s psychodust. I'm betting that when she comes out, Amber Sunshower will break though clouds of (chronic and gun) smoke and shine.

## Hot Rap Singles...

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3	5	7	4	THIS D.J. (C) (M) (T) (X) VIOLATOR/RAL B53 236/ISLAND  ♦ WARREN G
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7	6	8	10	FUNKY Y-2-C (C) (M) (T) (X) CHAOS 77461/COLUMBIA  ◆ THE PUPPIES
8	8	6	6	GIVE IT UP (C) (M) (T) (X) DEF JAM/RAL 853 316/ISLAND
9	10	10	4	BOP GUN (ONE NATION)  (M) (T) (X) PRIORITY 53161*  ◆ ICE CUBE
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12	13	9	7	SOUTHERNPLAYALISTICADILLACMUZIK (C) (D) (M) (T) LAFACE 2-4070/ARISTA  • OUTKAST
13	14	11	13	WHERE MY HOMIEZ? (C) (M) (T) MERCURY 858 462   ♦ ILL AL SKRATCH
14	12	16	12	NAPPY HEADS  ← FUGEES (TRANZLATOR CREW)  (C) (M) (T) RUFFHOUSE 77643/COLUMBIA
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(16)	22	35	4	ACTION ◆ TERROR FABULOUS FEAT. NADINE SUTHERLAND (C) (D) (M) (T) EASTWEST 98250/AG
(17)	16	13	8	NUTTIN' BUT LOVE (C) UPTOWN 54865/MCA  ◆ HEAVY D & THE BOYZ
18	15	12	8	DIARY OF A MADMAN (C) (T) GEE STREET 854 062/ISLAND  ◆ GRAVEDIGGAZ
19	11	15	7	TAKE IT EASY  ♦ MAD LION  (M) (T) WEEDED 20094*/NERVOUS
20	18	14	19	PUMP (C) (M) (T) IMMORTAL 62844/RCA     VOLUME 10
21	23	22	6	BLACK HAND SIDE (C) (T) (X) MOTOWN 2249   ◆ QUEEN LATIFAH
(22)	24	39	3	RECOGNIZED THRESHOLDS OF  (c) PENDULUM 58184/EMI   ◆ BOOGIEMONSTERS
23	19	18	23	<b>WORKER MAN</b> (C) (M) (T) EPIC 77289  ♠ PATRA
24	21	19	13	CAPTAIN SAVE A HOE (c) (T) SICK WID' IT 42230/JIVE  AND
25	30	21	24	PUMPS AND A BUMP   (C) (D) (T) (O) GIANT/REPRISE 18218/WARNER BROS.  ◆ HAMMER
26	36	45	4	WRONG SIDE OF DA TRACKS (C) (M) (T) BIG BEAT/ATLANTIC 9B285/AG  (C) (M) (T) BIG BEAT/ATLANTIC 9B285/AG  (D) (M) (T) BIG BEAT/ATLANTIC 9B285/AG
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29	31	26	9	(C) (T) (X) LOUD 62991/RCA  WARRIOR'S DRUM  KING JUST
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36	32	31	5	(C) NEXT PLATEAU/LONDON 857 578/ISLAND  OH MY GOD  A TRIBE CALLED QUEST
37	37	37	10	(C) (T) (X) JIVE 42212  IN THE PJ'S BIG DADDY KANE
38		20	1	(C) (T) MCA 54884  SWEET POTATOE PIE   DOMINO
39	35	30	22	(C) (M) (T) OUTBURST/RAL 77350/CHAOS  FREAKS/I-IGHT (ALRIGHT)  ◆ DOUG E. FRESH
(40)	44	50	36	(M) (T) (X) GEE STREET 440 583*/ISLAND  DON'T STOP  ♦ HAMMER
41	33	38	6	(C) (M) (T) (X) GIANT 18136/REPRISE  BLACK SUPERMAN  ABOVE THE LAW
(42)	47	40	3	(C) (T) RUTHLESS 5516/RELATIVITY  ON POINT    HOUSE OF PAIN
43	42	40	3	(M) (T) (X) TOMMY BOY 623*  PLAYER'S BALL   OUTKAST
44	34 43	24	30	(C) (M) (T) (O) LAFACE 2-4060/ARISTA  LATE NITE CREEP (BOOTY CALL)  MC BREED
45	38	28	22	(C) (M) (T) (X) WRAP 94225/ICHIBAN  GOT ME WAITING   ◆ HEAVY D & THE BOYZ
47	41	32	29	(C) (T) UPTOWN 54815/MCA
48	40	33	16	(C) (M) (T) DELICIOUS VINYL/EASTWEST 98315/AG  BUCKTOWN   SMIF-N-WESSUN
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Records with the greatest sales gains this week. ◆ Videoclip availability. ◆ Recording Industry Association of America (RIAA) certification for sales of 500,000 units. ▲ RIAA certification for sales of 1 million units. Catalog no. is for cassette single. \*Asterisk indicates catalog number is for cassette maxi-single; cassette single unavailable. (C) Cassette single availability. (D) CD single availability. (M) Cassette maxi-single availability. (T) Vinyl maxi-single availability. (X) CD maxi-single availability. © 1994, Billboard/BPI Communications, and SoundScan, Inc.

#### **FORCE MDs EYE NEW HEIGHTS**

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rangement N.U.W.R. has with Ichiban is an "interim-type agreement which [runs for] one year, with an option. Technically, it's a two-year agreement."

Around the time "Stop Frontin" came out, the group did some promotional touring, focusing on the Northeast, Harewood says. They taped identification tags for various radio stations and did a lot of press "to keep them in folks' faces," he says.

For the second single and beyond,

## **TO OUR READERS**

Billboard is looking for any information on the work, personal background, and survivors of James Albert Jackson, a Billboard columnist during the Harlem Renaissance of the 1920s. We also are interested in getting in touch with Jackson scholar Dr. Anthony Hill. If you have information about Jackson or Hill, please contact Havelock Nelson at 212-536-5013.

the focus will be on street marketing. Says Wright, "We'll be doing a lot of sniping in major markets, and a remix will feature Method Man from Wu-Tang Clan. For the video, we'll try and get King Just, Shyheim, and the [rest of the] Wu-Tang Clan. These are newer artists from Staten Island, which [hip-hop audiences] are now calling Shaolin."

Currently, the Force MDs are original members Steve "Steve D" Lundy, T.C. Lundy, and Jessie "Jessie D." Daniels, and more recent additions Shawn "Shawny-Shawn" Waters and Rodney "Khalil" Lundy.

The group formed in 1972; at the time, its members were just kids imitating the Jackson 5. The group sang in the streets and on the Staten Island Ferry, where it was discovered. In 1983, the act signed with Tommy Boy and subsequently recorded four albums: "Love Letters," "Chillin'," "Touch & Go," and "Step To Me."

The Tommy Boy years were marked by mixed success; some group members feel they were not allowed to totally be themselves. So before embarking on this new chapter

in their career, the members made several changes. After relocating to the Pocono Mountains in Pennsylvania ("We wanted a quiet place, away from the city, to collect our thoughts and raise our families, and regroup," says T.C.), the group added Waters and Khalil Lundy. "Shawn is a good friend of the family, and Khalil, my brother, was in the group from the very beginning," says Steve D. "But 10 years ago, he left to join a Muslim mosque in Brooklyn."

Then the Force MDs took steps toward controlling their own career. They built a recording studio in the basement of Steve D's Pennsylvania home and formed their label in conjunction with their management firm, Houston-based Onyx Entertainment.

Group member Daniels says the Force MDs' sound is unique. "What I hear [out today] is a lot of strong, piercing harmonies that are more gospel-y," he says. "I think we're coming with lighter harmonies [that are more rooted] in doo-wop from the late '50s. And I think that sound will catch back on."

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#### ARTISTS & MUSIC

## Clubland Gets 'Excuses' From Sandra Bernhard

HUMAN BEHAVIOR: It makes perfect sense that clubland would be the first stop on the trek of exposure and promotion for Sandra Bernhard's brash new musical venture, "Excuses For Bad Behavior, Part One."

A brutally frank observer of life and the pop culture that shapes it, she frequently leaves mainstream minds perplexed. But it is the cathartic realness of her reflections and comedic musings that has culminated in a body of work that makes a foray into the world of forceful and confrontational rhythms (where individuality is often warmly embraced) seem so natural.



BERNHARO

Even so, we would not be surprised if it takes a moment for clubheads to thoroughly grasp the commentary erupting from her recently issued 550/Epic 12-inch

promo, "Phone Sex," beyond the slew of four-letter words popping from the speakers.

Amid a spiraling storm of cuttingedge house rhythms, courtesy of various mixes by Phillip Damien and Johnny Vicious, Bernhard pushes every possible sexual button during what is now said to be actual chats with 900-line callers. Each version of the song plays into the primal nature of Bernhard's delivery, which explores the fantastical, push-the-limits mind games pleasure-seekers play in the age of AIDS. "I don't think people feel at all free in their sex lives right now, she says. "They feel so restricted and repressed, but their brains are exploding with wild fantasies. The problem is that there is a lot of societal shame and embarrassment attached to those fantasies."

Contrasting the label's underground efforts with "Phone Sex" is the single's commercial A side, a smart revision of Sylvester's "(You Make Me Feel) Mighty Real." Besides offering a loving homage to the late performer, the track also looks to a period of carefree liberation with degrees of nostalgia, melancholy, and optimism. Slated for release later this month, "Mighty Real" has been tweaked and restitched to fit several club directions, ranging from fleshy house to bright pop/NRG, by Damien, Marcus Schulz, C.L. McSpadden, Doug Deangelis, and the Manhattan Project.

In assembling "... Bad Behavior," Bernhard teamed with long-time musical collaborators Mitch Kaplan and Derek Smit to co-write and co-produce sharp new material, as well as re-create a broad palette of pop nuggets. A lesbian take on Paul Simon's "50 Ways To Leave Your Lover" sizzles with female names and a jiggly jack-swing beat, and "Sympathy For The Devil,"



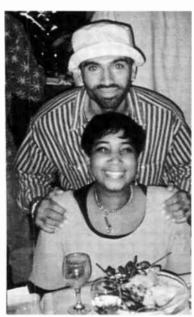
by Larry Flick

from the Rolling Stones book of classics, haunts in its new incarnation as a creeping ballad.

Of the original cuts, "Innocence" meditates on how AIDS has ravaged her circle of friends. Placed within a sweeping, dramatic arrangement, this is where Bernhard's theatrical, clearly well-trained voice is put to best use. To ears dulled by double-tracked cupiedolls or deafened by lung-bursting divas, Bernhard's fluttering soprano is rife with the same expressive, connecting spirit that fuels her stage pieces and books.

Bernhard is putting together a show to support "... Bad Behavior," a move that goes against the grain of her usual pattern of recording an album to capture a show that has already run its course. Lucky New Yorkers got a rare peek at the artist on a bare stage during a Gay Games fundraiser, belting to the track of "Mighty Real." Though visibly nervous, her performance sparked with a raw and interactive electricity that triggered wishes for a brief iaunt of clubs.

Regardless, "... Bad Behavior" is



Sure-Footed Shara. EMI chanteuse Shara Nelson, pictured with producer David Morales, recently was feted at a New York eatery during a promotional stop. She is on a U.S. trek, stomping behind her debut album, "What Silence Knows." The Michael Pedenproduced set has already scored several pop and club hits in her native U.K., and has spawned a stateside club hit with the current single "Down That Road." This fall, look for EMI to issue remixes of "Uptight," while the singer plans to begin writing and recording her second album.

a nourishing and challenging piece of work that expands on Bernhard's standing invitation to explore your mind and soul—and have a laugh at what you find. Now that she has made a stop in clubland, we may never let her leave.

ON THE BEAT: "Little" Louie Vega continues to assert himself as a formidable producer/remixer apart from his heralded Masters At Work partnership with Kenny "Dope" Gonzalez. Although the team remains intact, his strength on the solo tip is rightfully being propped, given the potency of singles like just-released "Guajira/Oye Como Va" by Julio Iglesias.

Clearly getting in close touch with his Latin roots, Vega has deftly combined cultural spice with hearty house friction—making for a tasty single that is on par with his work on the River Ocean smash, "Love & Happiness." Floating out there with relatively little fan-fare on Columbia, look for "Un Beso Dub" to be one of the sleeper hits of late summer. One spin and you will be sold.

As "Lifeforms" by Future Sounds Of London garners enough critical roses to keep Lynn Anderson happy, the folks at Astralwerks have begun to focus on "Paths 1-7" as a CD single. Enhanced by the presence of Cocteau Twins vocalist Liz Fraser, the blissfully ambient track is awash in soothing, forest-like sound effects and delicious, complex synth lines. A chill-out of the highest creative plateau.

And if "Lifeforms" is not bold and innovative enough for ya, brace yourself for the serious possibility of "Dead Skin Cells" being pulled as the next single, retraced with a full orchestra and operatic guest vocals. *Deep*.

Manu Dibango's classic "Soul Makossa" has been dusted off for the world-beat legend's new Giant opus, "Wakafrika." With Youssou N'Dour lending a fine vocal appearance, the track now has jazz/hiphop leanings, thanks in part to brassy remixes by Geoff Wilkinson and Mel Simpson of US3. Radio-ready as they come, this single is essential programming for DJs who shade their sets with downtempo funk or acid-jazz. Go directly to the "Freedom" version.

The venerable Gwen McCrae will likely enjoy renewed club interest now that New Jersey-head-quartered Radikal-Q Records has issued "Funky Sensation." Her voice is like a visit from a dear old friend, while Constantino Padovano and Maurizio Verbeni contribute mixes that click with an insinuating tribal rhythm. Loads of great fun.

Radikal-Q is also the home of the latest musing by X-Press 2, "Rock 2 House," which glides with smooth electro-trance precision. Aaah...
New York's Waako Records is

New York's Waako Records is starting to make some pleasant



Good Times Live. Logic/BMG recording act Sound Factory is shown during a performance at Les Poulets in New York. The group will soon release its first full-length album, "Product," which is bolstered by a recent No. 1 club hit, "Good Times." Concert dates around the U.S. and a new single are also forthcoming. (Photo: Tina Paul)

noise around town with several tracks that plug into ongoing trends, while mining a few new sounds as well. The best (and latest) to hit the street is "Feel It (Love)," by DJ Young Richard, a newcomer with a savvy ear for easily mixable breaks and plush keyboards. Input from Keith Kemper and DJ Giovanni proves to be useful, as they inject trance flavors that cushion the tribal bottom of the track. Essential underground

Once again, we're bathing in the enticing house waters of Sweden's Clubvision Records—this time with "Joy + Happiness" by Stabbbs. The act is the brainchild of Finnish producer Kosky, who is revered for going against the popular Eurorave sound of his homeland in favor of silky R&B/house. His romantic tune is nicely remixed by Stonebridge and Nick Nice, who toughen the track and render it accessible to punters in the U.S. Have a dip.

WORD FROM THE THIRD Floor: Contrary to rampant gossip, the crafty, San Francisco production/remix team of DJ EFX and DJ Digit is not making a permanent move to the U.K. However, they will be working there on and off for the next five months and are setting up an office there. The two will divide their time between turntable gigs throughout Europe and studio

The long-anticipated launch of Freshly Squeezed Records, Digit and EFX's custom label with Strictly Rhythm, is finally upon us. First fruits of the deal will be "The Hispanics," featuring EFX and Ralphi Rosario, and "Lift Me Up" by Digi-Soul Featuring LZ Love.

If that is not enough, Tyler Stone, who has been den mother to the pair, is making inroads as a producer and songwriter in her own right. She just completed tracks with Chicago siren Shay Jones and will mix "I'm In The Middle" by Shawn Benson for Freshly Squeezed. Also on the agenda is a possible collaboration with Janice Robinson, a fierce diva who just finalized a contract with MCA Records in the U.K.

SIDEWALK TALK: Pet Shop Boys will be serving a whole lot more than simply past hits on the forthcoming "Disco II," a 12-song collection on EMI Records. Tightly mixed like a club set, the album will include a Junior Vasquez remix of "Yesterday When I Was Mad," the next single in the U.K., as well as a previously unavailable recording of the Noel Coward standard "If Love Was All" and "Can You Forgive Her," which has been restructured as a Sinatra-like big-band/swing tune. You will be speechless upon hearing Neil Tennant croon with a sweeter vocal tone than he has ever displayed before. Due out around the end of October ... The fire surrounding Joi Cardwell's lush EightBall single "Trouble" is out of control. The indie label reports preorders of more than 3,000 for an imminent double-pack re-pressing of the single, which now sports
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- 1. EVERYDAY THANG MELANIE WILLIAMS EPIC
- 2. TALK TO ME THIRD WORLD GREAT
- 3. WHERE IS LOVE AND HAPPINESS?
- 4. GOD'S EYE THE OVERLORDS 200
- 5. HIDE-A-WAY KELLI RICH FOCUS

#### **MAXI-SINGLES SALES**

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  2. GUCCI DANCE LIVE SAM ``THE
  BEAST" SIREN
- 3. THE DANCE SUBLIMINAL CUTS TRIBAL
- 4. Y? KIWI DREAMS FEATURING DARRELL MARTIN TRIBAL AMERIC
- 5. WHAT ABOUT US JODECI UPTOWN

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## Billboard.

## HOT DANCE MUSIC

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(1)	2	. 3	8	LIFTED BY LOVE SIRE 41379/WARNER BROS.	1 week at No. 1 K.D. LANG
2	3	9	7	ANYTIME YOU NEED A FRIEND COLUMBIA 77499	◆ MARIAH CAREY
3	4	6	8	BOMBADIN TOMMY BOY 629	808 STATE
4	11	20	4	ONE NIGHT IN HEAVEN EPIC 77613	♦ M PEOPLE
5	6	11	8	FEEL LIKE MAKING LOVE 550 MUSIC 77556/EPIC	◆ PAULINE HENRY
6	7	12	7	RIGHT IN THE NIGHT EPIC 77544	◆ JAM & SPOON FEATURING PLAVKA
1	8	14	7	IS IT ALL OVER MY FACE? CAJUAL 213	DAJAE
8	10	16	8	NEW YORK EXPRESS STRICTLY RHYTHM 12254	HARDHEAD
9	1	2	9	BRING ME YOUR LOVE ELEKTRA 66223	DEEE-LITE
10	5	1	10	THE RIGHT KINDA LOVER MCA 54851	◆ PATTI LABELLE
11)	17	22	5	LOVE SO STRONG IMAGO 25067	WILD PLANET
12	12	5	10	CAUGHT IN THE MIDDLE REPRISE 41573/WARNER BROS.	◆ JULIET ROBERTS
13	9	4	10	EMERGENCY ON PLANET EARTH COLUMBIA 77529	◆ JAMIROQUA
14)	25	41	3	AIN'T NOBODY AVEX GROUP 15529/CRITIQUE	JAKI GRAHAN
15	19	25	5	ARE YOU SATISFIED? TRIBAL AMERICA 5B142/IRS	THE DAOL
16	13	8	10	FEEL WHAT YOU WANT CHAMPION 95899/EASTWEST	♦ KRISTINE W
17)	22	32	4	DEEP FOREST 550 MUSIC 77578/EPIC	◆ DEEP FORES
18	15	17	7	SO CONFUSED GREAT JONES 530 630/ISLAND	COLONEL ABRAMS
19	28	36	4	BETTER LATE THAN NEVER CHAMPION 95898/EASTWEST	LAFAYETTE
20	14	7	10	ANYTHING 550 MUSIC 77495/EPIC	◆ CULTURE BEA*
21	26	27	5	INNER CITY BLUES C-FOUR 1010	GAR
22)	30	35	4	LET THE MUSIC (LIFT YOU UP) BIG BEAT 10156/ATLANTI	C LOVELANI
23	20	26	6	EVERYBODY UP A&M B294	UNCANNY ALLIANCI
24	16	10	9	HOLIDAY DEEP CRAP 30060/CRAP	URBAN MOTION PROJECT I
25)	29	34	4	COME TO ME, ECSTACY CONTINUUM 15303	RED RED GROOV
26	33	40	4	IN THE DARK WE LIVE (THEE LITE) EMOTIVE 754	APHROHEAD
27	31	33	5	TROUBLE EIGHT BALL 040	JOI CARDWEL
28	18	15	11	THAT SOUND MIAMI SOUL 004 R.	ALPH FALCON FEATURING DOROTHY MAN
(29)	35	38	4	DOWN THAT ROAD CHRYSALIS 58036/EMI	◆ SHARA NELSON
(30)	38		2	BRING ME JOY VIBE MUSIC 016	MEECHI
31	27	28	6	EL BAILE DE LA VELA EPIC PROMO	CHEIT
32	24	21	9	ACTIVATOR (YOU NEED SOME) VICIOUS MUZIK 004/EPIC	WHATEVER GIR
(33)	41		2	DO YOU WANNA GET FUNKY COLUMBIA 77581	◆ C+C MUSIC FACTOR
34	32	19	26	JUMP TO IT ARISTA 1-2702	ARETHA FRANKLII
34	32	1.3	20	***POWER F	
35	48	_	2	ANOTHER NIGHT ARISTA 1-2725	REAL MCCO
(36)	42		2	GIRLS & BOYS FOOD/SBK 58155/EMI	♦ BLUI
37	34	23	9	I CAN'T LET YOU GO EIGHT BALL 041	THE MACK VIBE FEATURING JACQUELIN
38	21	13	12	WHEN YOU MADE THE MOUNTAIN EASTWEST 95906	◆ OPUS I
39	39	29	8	CLOSER TO GOD NOTHING/TVT/INTERSCOPE 95905/ATLANTI	C ♦ NINE INCH NAIL
-				***Hot Shot	
40	NE	WÞ	1	TURN IT UP (SAY YEAH) FFRR 120 030	D'I DUK
41	37	30	10	YOU WON'T SEE ME CRY ATLANTIC 85657	♦ B-TRIB
42	44	49	4	DANGER! CUTTING 300	ROCHELLE FLEMING
43	45	45	3	UNJUST WORLD MCA 54782	MORGAN HERITAG
44	40	42	5	IT'S OVER NOW (IT'S ALRIGHT) ZOO 14138	◆ CAUSE & EFFEC
(45)	-	w Þ	1	RUN TO THE SUN MUTE 66208/ELEKTRA	◆ ERASUR
46	36	24	11	NO LOVE LOST GROOVE ON 06/STRICTLY RHYTHM	CE CE ROGER
(47)	-	WÞ	1	FEET FFRR 120 036	SANDAL
48)	+	wÞ	1	INDEPENDENCE NOTT-US 0010	SPRIN
49	50		2	DON'T STOP GIANT/REPRISE 41473 WARNER BROS.	◆ HAMME
73	23	18	13	LOVE COME HOME CHAMPION 95907/EASTWEST	OUR TRIBE FEATURING FRANKE PHAROA

THIS	LAST WEEK	2 WKS AGO	WKS. ON CHART	MAXI-SINGLES SA COMPILED FROM A NATIONAL SUB-SAMPLE OF POS (POINT OF SALE) E STORES WHICH REPORT NUMBER OF UNITS SOLD TO SOUNDSCAN, IN TITLE LABEL & NUMBER/DISTRIBUTING LABEL	QUIPPED KEY DANCE RETAIL
1	1	1	8	* * * NO. 1 * * *  TAKE IT EASY (M) (T) WEEDED 20094/NERVOUS 7 weeks at	No. 1 ◆ MAD LION
(2)	2		2	FLAVA IN YA EAR (M) (T) BAD BOY 7-9002/ARISTA	◆ CRAIG MACK
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3	16	_	2	* * GREATEST GAINER* BOOTI CALL (M) (TÎ (X) INTERSCOPE 95863	◆ BLACKSTREET
4	7	3	4	THIS D.J. (M) (T) (X) VIOLATOR RAL 853 237 (SLAND	◆ WARREN G
5	6	4	4	DO YOU WANNA GET FUNKY (M) (T) (X) COLUMBIA 77581	◆ C+C MUSIC FACTORY
6	5	8	4	NO GUNS, NO MURDER (M) (T) (X) VP 5399	◆ RAYVON
7	3	10	10	FUNKDAFIED (T) SO SO DEF/CHAOS 77422/COLUMBIA	◆ DA BRAT
8	8	5	17	100% PURE LOVE (M) (T) (X) MERCURY 85B 4B5	◆ CRYSTAL WATERS
9	9	_	2	ONE NIGHT IN HEAVEN (T) (X) EPIC 77613	◆ M PEOPLE
10	- 11	13	5	BOP GUN (ONE NATION) (M) (T) (X) PRIORITY 53161	◆ ICE CUBE
11	4	6	13	FANTASTIC VOYAGE (M) (T) (X) TOMMY BOY 617	◆ COOLIO
12	12	9	4	STROKE YOU UP (T) (X) SPOILED ROTTEN/BIG BEAT 10155/AG	◆ CHANGING FACES
13	10	2	13	NAPPY HEADS (M) (T) RUFFHOUSE 77431/COLUMBIA ◆	FUGEES (TRANZLATOR CREW)
14	13	7	6	GIVE IT UP (M) (T) (X) DEF JAM/RAL 853 317 ISLAND	◆ PUBLIC ENEMY
15	18	23	12	ANY TIME, ANY PLACE/THROB (T) (X) VIRGIN 38435	◆ JANET JACKSON
16	24	22	7	TOOTSEE ROLL (M) (T) (X) RIP-IT 6911	♦ 69 BOYZ
17	17	11	4	ON POINT (M) (T) (X) TOMMY BOY 623	◆ HOUSE OF PAIN
18	49	_	2	LOVE WOMAN SO! (M) (T) (X) BREAK A DAWN 8001/VP	MAD LION
19	20	27	4	LET THE MUSIC (LIFT YOU UP) (T) (X) BIG BEAT 10156/AG	LOVELAND
20	31	-	2	RAM DANCEHALL (M) (T) EPIC 77650	◆ SHABBA RANKS
21)	42	_	3	CUBAN PETE (M) (T) CHAOS 775B7/COLUMBIA	◆ JIM CARREY
22)	26	24	7	THE RIGHT KINDA LOVER (T) MCA 54B51	◆ PATTI LABELLE
23)	33	_	2	GIRLS & BOYS (T) (X) FOOD/SBK 5B155/EMI	◆ BLUR
24	14	18	21	MOVING ON UP (T) (X) EPIC 77417	◆ M PEOPLE
<b>25</b> )	NE	w Þ	1	** * HOT SHOT DEBUT *  ACTION (M) (T) EASTWEST 95900/AG	★ ★ ATURING NADINE SUTHERLAND
26	27	21	16	BUCKTOWN (M) (T) WRECK 20069/NERVOUS	♦ SMIF-N-WESSUN
27	30	30	4	ANOTHER NIGHT (T) ARISTA 1-2725	REAL MCCOY
28)		_	7	ANOTHER MIGHT (I) ANISTA 1-2723	IVENE MICCOL
29)	ME	w 🛌	1	LIVE EVII ON THE DESIGNATION OF DESIGNATION	♠ ELATLINED?
(23)	26	WÞ	1 27	LIVE EVIL (M) (T) DEF JAM/RAL 853 357/ISLAND	
20	36	_	37	FREAKS/I-IGHT (ALRIGHT) (M) (T) (X) GEE STREET 440 583/ISLAND	◆ DOUG E. FRESH
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#### **DANCE TRAX**

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yummy new mixes by Junior Vasquez, Satoshi Tomiie, the UBQ Productions posse, and the Deep Dish Production squad. Cardwell's first album for EightBall is tentatively due in October ... We are thrilled to report ex-Electribe 101 chanteuse Billie Ray Martin just inked a solo agreement with Magnet/EastWest in the U.K. Her creamy, delicious voice will be heard on the single "Your Loving Arms," which is slated for December release. Can a full-length album be far behind? We feel hopeful

... Those innovative minds at Mute Records continue to broaden the horizons of dance music with "Trans Slovenia Express," a compilation of tracks by producers and musicians from the war-torn country of Slovenia, who explore and interpret the work of Kraftwerk. Though the album may initially seem like an odd project, it is interesting (if not thoroughly compelling) to examine the effect that one act had on a generation of people in one corner of the world. "The Robots" and "Man Machine" are among the composi-

tions featured, with re-dressed electro-punk, metallic pop, and frosty rave vibes. Unlike anything you have ever encountered in the past

L. Hanging on the compilation tip a moment longer, the U.K.-based Esoteric maintains its alliance with Florida's Bottom Line house label with a collection of its recent singles. The atmosphere is richly soulful and invigorating, with "Feel The Flow" by Flow Featuring Mikey Culture, "My Love & My Friend" by Barbara Dixon, and "Love Your Body" by M.J. White among the

standout tracks. Y'know, it is a real bummer that a label as consistently strong as this can only get interest in the U.S. via import releases. Time to expand your world to include more from the underdogs and true renegades of our community, kiddies . . . We confess to being more than a bit undecided on the quality of new music coming from the artist formerly known as Prince—especially when we are still feasting on older tracks that are starting to surface on Warner Bros. The album "Come" boasts an

array of salacious funk throwdowns that tickle the libido as much as they do the booty. The title jam slams a tough and relentless beat into a rack of brassy horns and sexy language that will melt the brains of conservatives. Other genius moments include the equally moist "Pheronome" and the house-inflected "Loose." Albums like this remind you why Mr. Thing is regarded as one of the great (and ohso-quirky) artists of the past 10 years.

#### RESTLESS LOOKS TO BUILD ON ED KUEPPER'S CULT FOLLOWING

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pearance on Los Angeles NPR affiliate KCRW.

"Character Assassination" sounds like one of the rare albums that could leapfrog from format to format. Kuepper weaves sparse, acoustic songs (like the haunting "By The Way"), dramatically orchestrated pieces ("The Cock-Fighter"), and straightforward pop ("Take It By The Hand") into a richly textured sonic tapestry highlighted by his obsessive lyrical bent.

As a founding member of the semi-

nal Australian punk band the Saints, the Brisbane-born Kuepper began kicking out the jams in MC5-meets-the-Seeds fashion back in the mid-'70s. While never commercially successful in America, the Saints' underground influence has been profound enough to afford them a 1992 tribute album, titled "Neurotically Yours."

"I never thought of us as being part of the whole punk thing, since we formed a couple of years before that even started," Kuepper says. "Of course, most people would disagree with me on that, but in some ways I think of what I've been doing as being in a little category of its own."

After leaving the Saints in 1978, the prolific singer/guitarist formed the noisy, free-wheeling Laughing Clowns, and released six increasingly unhinged albums in as many years. Upon the Clowns' implosion, he switched gears, gliding into the dusky, folk-tinged sound that has imbued his eight solo outings.

"It allows for a greater range of expression," he says of the subdued nature of the work contained on his latest disc and "The Butterfly Net," a compilation issued this summer by Restless. "I hear more subtlety in what I'm doing now, but I think it can be just as disturbing. I never want to get wrapped up in histrionics or overblown performances."

While Kuepper's reputation has long been stellar among a cadre of Australophile indie-rockers, his sole stateside release before signing with Restless was "Everybody's Got To," which slipped out with little fanfare in 1988.

The support from his new label is certainly greater, but Kuepper—who was nominated for best album and won the best independent album honor at Australia's Aria Awards last year—seems prepared to start, once again, from square one.

"It would be more difficult if I had unreasonable expectations, but I know what I'm in for," he says with a laugh. "Going anywhere from what is, in essence, the most isolated place on the planet can be difficult psychically as well as physically. If nothing else, it has kept me from feeling complacent."



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the good time they were having. Finally, I said, 'That's it. I too am going to become an artist and make my own record.'"

Initially, Fagen was going to produce "11 Tracks Of Whack." The album was a year and a half in the making, with Becker taking a break for last summer's Steely Dan tour.

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"Donald wasn't available for half the time, because I started work right after we finished his album ['Kamakiriad'] and he was still doing promotion and stuff. Because of his obligation and my desire to start, we just decided to keep our arrangement loose and just do whatever worked out for both of us." The two men share the production credit.

With Fagen initially tied up, Becker turned to another collaborator, guitarist Dean Parks. The two wrote and recorded three or four songs together, but only "Cringemaker" made it onto the album.

"Every collaboration has different dynamics to it," says Becker. "Working with Dean was very different from working with Donald. We worked together right at the beginning [of the album]. I wasn't exactly sure how to start, and having Dean there helped me. Dean brought a lot in terms of a different musical perspective from mine, and an ability to capture and articulate a vaguely described idea."

Most of his songwriting was done with the aid of a computer sequencer, Becker says. "That's helpful for someone that is not a real strong keyboard player ... It's great to have those aids that allow you to edit and spruce up things after the fact."

Becker's new songs offer an assortment of twisted tales that are intriguing on the basis of their titles alone. The album includes such songs as "Junkie Girl," "Surf And/Or Die," and "This Moody Bastard."

"I decided to call the album '11 Tracks Of Whack' because I realized that songwriting is a place for me to do some lashing out, in a mild sort of way." Becker says.

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But all of "11 Tracks Of Whack" isn't about lashing out. In the album closer, "Little Kawai," Becker pays tribute to his son. "That song became so popular in the family and within the group of people that knew my songs, I figured that if I put that song on the album I would get brownie points forever."





Winners. Kathy Mattea celebrates the success of her 10th album for Mercury Records—and sales of more than 5 million albums in her career—at a Music Row party. With her, from left, are Bob Titley, her manager; Josh Leo, producer of her current album, "Walking Away A Winner"; and Luke Lewis, Mercury/Nashville president.

## **Track Launches Country Premiums** Albums Tied To Driving, Fishing, Rodeos

■ BY EDWARD MORRIS

NASHVILLE—New York-based Track Marketing will make its splash in country music premium marketing via a Travis Tritt/Darrell Waltrip CD/ cassette collection of songs about driv-

Also in the planning stages are a country music- and fishing- themed album, as well as an album tying in music with rodeos.

Paul Zamek, GM for Track's Nashville office, originated the idea for the racing-oriented premium piece. It will be sold to a corporate sponsor-such as an oil company-for use in attracting customers. It will not, however, be available for direct sale.

The album is tentatively called "Put Some Drive In Your Country" (which is also the title of one of Tritt's 1990 hit singles) and will contain six country songs with driving motifs. Intercut with the songs will be conversations and commentaries by Tritt and NASCAR driver Darrell Waltrip on driving and racing. The sponsor's name is worked in at the beginning and end of the album.

According to Zamek, a premium album begins with a concept being "sold" to an artist who is somehow related to that concept. After the artist signs on, the proposal is presented for sponsorship to various appropriate corporations. Once a sponsor is secured, the album is recorded and manufactured.

Artists are guaranteed a specific fee per unit sold to the sponsor, and are sometimes given an advance against the anticipated royalties.

"We are speaking now to four or five prospective sponsors [for the Tritt/ Waltrip project]," Zamek says. He says the target date for having the premium available for consumers is next February, in time for the Daytona 500.

Each premium sponsor provides the artwork for the album cover.

Finding a tie-in, Zamek says, is mainly a matter of observation. "If you

tune in TNN over the weekend," he "you see fishing, rodeo, and NASCAR. And the demographics almost merge back to back. Nine country fans out of 10 like NASCAR, and vice versa. So I tried to find a way to put those two markets together under one umbrella promotion.'

Next up for Track is a "Gone Fishing" collection with MCA Records' Tracy Byrd, who is already connected with Tracker Marine and Bass-Pro. In addition to containing six songs about fishing, the album will feature Byrd giving fishing tips, revealing his favorite fishing spots, and telling tall tales about the sport.

Zamek says that "a couple" of acts have been approached about headlining a rodeo album, but none has been selected vet.

To secure songs for the albums, Track works through each participating label's special products department. The featured artist for each project has the right to approve artwork and song selection.

Until recently, Track Marketing was part of Time Warner. It is now a separately owned company. Zamek says Track has done "lots of premiums in the jazz and rock fields, but this is the first time we'll be going heavily into the country field."

## **Mercury Warms Up For 'Red Hot' Campaign** Also, Luminaries Line Up To Pay Tribute To Monroe

RED HOT + READY: After months in the making, "Red Hot + Country" is ready to hit the streets. Due Sept. 13 on Mercury Records, the all-star AIDS-relief album will be promoted via a massive media blitz and a TV special. Radio stations in a variety of formats will be serviced the entire 17-cut album, along with a separate CD of the Red Hot version of the 1970 hit "Teach Your Children," featuring original artists Crosby, Stills & Nash. The track will not be worked as a single, says Kim Markovchick, Mercury's director of product management, but rather will be used as a focal point for the entire project. "We want to generate as much play as we can from all the other tracks on the album," she says.

The cover version of "Teach Your Children" also features vocals by Kathy Mattea (who spearheaded the album), Suzy Bogguss, and Alison Krauss. Additionally, Billy Ray Cyrus, Ray Kennedy, Maura O'Connell,

Randy Scruggs, and John & Audrey Wiggins provide the chorus. There will be an accompanying music video. According to Markovchick, the song was chosen to lead the promotion in part because it will not compete with the singles activity of any of the participating artists.

A television special tied to the album will be taped

Sept. 28 at a venue still to be selected. It will air in syndication, Markovchick says, the weekend after Thanksgiving. In addition, the album and all its supporting press materials are being serviced to a wide variety of media, reaching well beyond the regular country, trade, and entertainment outlets. Since Mercury is donating all proceeds beyond its overhead

lications to give the album free advertising space. Other artists featured on the album-which is the fourth format-specific album inspired and coordinated by the Red Hot Organization-are Sammy Kershaw, Brooks & Dunn, Johnny Cash, Jackson Browne, Carl Perkins, Duane Eddy, the Mavericks, Jimmie Dale Gilmore, Willie Nelson, Mary Chapin Carpenter, Nanci Griffith, Jimmy Webb, Marty Stuart, Jerry & Tammie Sullivan, Dolly Parton, Radney Foster, Mark Chesnutt, Patty Loveless, Wilco, Syd Straw, Earl Scruggs, Doc Watson, Vince Gill, Ricky Skaggs, and Roy Huskey.

costs to AIDS charities, the label is asking selected pub-

GIVING THANKS: When there are more music biz types standing in line for an autograph than for free drinks, you know something special is afoot. And indeed

it was at the recent party for Bill Monroe at the Country Music Hall Of Fame & Museum. The occasion was MCA Records' release of the four-CD boxed set "The Music Of Bill Monroe: From 1936-1994." The package is so impressive, and Monroe so universally revered, that even MCA/Nashville president and hot producer Tony Brown stood patiently in queue for a signature from the 82-year-old "Father Of Bluegrass." Monroe, as MCA/ Nashville chairman Bruce Hinton noted, has been with the label for more than 45 years.

Other well-wishers included Patsy and Donna Stoneman, Doug Dillard, Mike Seeger, Mike Henderson, Curtis McPeake, former Blue Grass Boy Bob Black, Gaylord Entertainment president/CEO Bud Wendell, the boxed set's compiler and annotator John W. Rumble, International Bluegrass Music Assn. chief Dan Hays, and producer and picker Jim Rooney, who pro-

filed the master in his book, "Bossmen: Bill Monroe & Muddy Waters." In his brief remarks to the crowd, the last surviving star from the Grand Ole Opry's pre-World War II glory days said, "If you ever need me, I'll be there. I like to help people. We've known that all along, Mr. Monroe.



by Edward Morris

MAKING The Rounds: Newly elected board members of the Academy Of Country Music, and their constituent categories, are Merlin Littlefield, affiliated; Mark Miller, artist/entertainer; Ken Mueller, club operator/employee; Jerry Fuller, composer; Rhubarb Jones, disc jockey; T.K. Kimbrell, manager; Ray Benson, musician/bandleader; Doug Howard, music publisher; Carson Schreiber, promotion/public relations; Neil Pond, publications; Buddy Owens, radio; Bob Heatherly, record company; Paul Moore, talent agent; Gene Weed, TV/motion picture; and Joe Gehl, talent buyer.

The genial and ubiquitous Hazel Smith, of Hazel & Heller Management, has been named director of licensing and A&R/Nashville for K-tel Records .... Daniel Cooper will join the Country Music Foundation Press as associate editor Aug. 29. Cooper's "Always Late: The Honky Tonk Life Of Lefty Frizzell," from Little, Brown & Co., will be released next spring.

SIGNINGS: Liberty Records' George Ducas to Chief Talent for worldwide booking representation . . . Patriot Records' Bryan Austin to the Press Office for publicity.

#### **WAYLON JENNINGS GETS INSPIRATION IN L.A.**

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Jennings can add his name to the list of country legends who have turned away from Nashville's increasingly youth-obsessed record-making machinery and teamed with L.A.-based pop producers to come up with some of the most vital music of their careers.
"This may sound like hype, but from

inside here looking out, I am really peaking at what I do," says Jennings. 'I don't smoke, I'm off the drug things, and I'm thinking better and having more fun at it than ever."

The freshly composed songs on "Waymore's Blues (Part II)" bear out the 57-year-old singer/songwriter's claim. The album, which was recorded with producer Don Was (who also produced Nelson's critically acclaimed 1992 "Across The Borderline"), sets Jennings' trademark thumping rhythms and starkly autobiographical songs against a swampy, impressionistic sonic backdrop.

"Waylon has an internal groove going, and that's where his songs ring true," says Was, who came to the project directly from sessions for the Rolling Stones' "Voodoo Lounge" album. "A lot of things that I picked up working with the Stones, things that pertain to 'feel before everything,' were really fresh in my mind. Waylon played me acoustic guitar demos, and they were very happening, so it was just a matter of giving him some texture and getting out of his way."

Working with an all-star team of non-country players, including Jackson Browne guitarist Mark Goldenberg, John Mellencamp drummer Kenny Aronoff, and Tom Petty keyboardist

Benmont Tench, Was gave instructions to "follow Waylon's thumb," and the team crafted a record as different from current Nashville product as Jennings is from the youngsters who sing it.

"If they'd asked me to record here in Nashville, I'd have said no, because I've done all that," says Jennings, whose stubborn struggle against Music City's producer-controlled recording process helped give rise to the stripped-down, individualistic sound of "outlaw" movement in the early

And although he has seen today's producers regain much of that control and feels that "things haven't really changed much" for up-and-coming country artists, Jennings credits RCA Nashville with staying out of the way and giving him complete creative control over this latest project.

"The record company sent us a fruit basket with a note saying 'Have a good time,' and that was the last we heard from them," he says, laughing.

The roots of "Waymore's Blues

(Part II)" go back to the fall of 1992, when RCA Nashville VP/GM Thom Schuyler enlisted the then-unsigned Jennings' creative input on "Only Daddy That'll Walk The Line," a boxed-set retrospective of the singer's two-decade stint with the label.

"We asked Waylon to become involved in the editing and picking of cuts and photographs for the boxed set, so he was a physical and emotional presence here within our walls for a period of time," says Schuyler. "I think it was a catalyst for him, and I think Waylon (Continued on page 29)

# Bilboard TOP COUNTRY ALBUNS

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REPORTS COLLECTED, COMPILED, AND
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THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	2 WKS AGO	WKS. ON CHART	ARTIST LABEL & NUMBER/DISTRIBUTING LABEL (SUGGESTED LIST PRICE OR	<b>TITLE</b> EQUIVALENT FOR CASSETTE/CD)	PEAK POSITION
(1)	1	1	20	★ ★ No. 1 ★ ★ TIM MCGRAW ▲* CURB 77659 (9.98/13.98) 19 weeks at No.		1
2	2	2	6	ALAN JACKSON ARISTA 18759 (10.98/15.98)	WHO I AM	1
3	3	3	28	JOHN MICHAEL MONTGOMERY ▲ ATLANTIC 82559/AG	(10.98 15 98) KICKIN' IT UP	1
4	4	4	9	VINCE GILL ▲ MCA 11047 10 98 15 98)	WHEN LOVE FINDS YOU	2
5	5	5	15	REBA MCENTIRE ▲ MCA 10994 (10 98/15 98)	READ MY MIND	2
6	6	6	8	DAVID BALL WARNER BROS. 45562 (9.98/15 98)	THINKIN' PROBLEM	6
7	7	7	13	TRAVIS TRITT • WARNER BROS 45603 10 98 15 98	TEN FEET TALL & BULLETPROOF	3
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9	14		2	★ ★ GREATEST GAINI JOE DIFFIE EPIC 64357 COLUMBIA (10.98 EQ/15.98)  ALAN JACKSON ▲	ER★★★ THIRD ROCK FROM THE SUN	9
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11	10	10	76	BROOKS & DUNN ▲ ARISTA 18716 (10 38 1 98	HARD WORKIN MAN	2
12	9	9	49	GARTH BROOKS ▲ LIBERTY 80857 (10.98/16.98)	IN PIECES	1
13	12	8	12	SOUNDTRACK ATLANTIC 82595 AG (10 98 16 98)	MAVERICK	4
14	13	17	3	DIAMOND RIO ARISTA 18745 (9 98/15 98)	LOVE A LITTLE STRONGER	13
15	16	20	47	MARTINA MCBRIDE RCA 66288 (9.98 15 98)	THE WAY THAT I AM	15
16	18	14	7	SAMMY KERSHAW MERCURY 522125 (10 98 EQ.15 98)	FEELIN' GOOD TRAIN	9
17	15	15	110	MARY CHAPIN CARPENTER  COLUMBIA 48881 SON Y 12-95 EC 15-98)	COME ON COME ON	6
18	17	19	72	DWIGHT YOAKAM ▲ REPRISE 45241 WARNER BROS. (10 98.)	(5.98) THIS TIME	4
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21	21	16	13	LORRIE MORGAN BNA 66379 (9 98/15 98)	WAR PAINT	7
22	20	18	27	BLACKHAWK ARISTA 18708 (3 98 15 95	BLACKHAWK	17
23	23	21	65	LITTLE TEXAS ▲ WARNER BROS 45270   198 15 981	BIG TIME	6
24	30	31	99	GEORGE STRAIT ▲ MCA 10651 (10 98 15 98)	PURE COUNTRY (SOUNDTRACK)	1
25	19	13	26	NEAL MCCOY ATLANTIC 82568 (10.98 15.98)	NO DOUBT ABOUT IT	13
26	24	27	15	RANDY TRAVIS ● WARNER BROS 45501 (10 98 15 98)	THIS IS ME	10
27	28	32	9	TRACY BYRD MCA 10991 (10.98/15.98)	NO ORDINARY MAN	26
28	27	24	39	FAITH HILL • WARNER BROS 45389 (9 98 15 98)	TAKE ME AS I AM	7
29	29	29	204	GARTH BROOKS ▲ LIBERTY 93866 (9 98 13 98)	NO FENCES	1
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32	25	23	23	VARIOUS ARTISTS ▲ MCA 10965 (10 98/16 98)	RHYTHM COUNTRY & BLUES	1
33	40	42	24	RICK TREVINO COLUMBIA 53560 SONY (9 98 EQ.15 98)	RICK TREVINO	23
34	33	30	28	COLLIN RAYE ● EPIC 53952 SONY (9 98 EQ 15 98)	EXTREMES	12
35	34	34	22	JOHN BERRY LIBERTY 80472 (9 98 13 98)	JOHN BERRY	13
36	35	35	156	BROOKS & DUNN ▲ * ARISTA 18658 (9 98 13 98)	BRAND NEW MAN	3
37	37	33	15	PAM TILLIS ARISTA 18758 (9 98 15 98)	SWEETHEART'S DANCE	6

THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	2 WKS AGO	WKS. ON CHART	ARTIST LABEL & NUMBER/DISTRIBUTING LABEL (SUGGESTED LIST PRICE OR EQ	TITLE	PEAK POSITION
38	36	37	43	VARIOUS ARTISTS ▲ GIANT 24531,/WARNER BROS. (10.98/15.98)  COMMON THREA	D: THE SONGS OF THE EAGLES	1
39	45	43	68	TOBY KEITH ● MERCURY 514421 (9.98 EQ/15.98)	TOBY KEITH	17
40	39	39	101	VINCE GILL ▲ MCA 10630 (10 98/15.98)	I STILL BELIEVE IN YOU	3
41	42	41	275	GARTH BROOKS ▲ LIBERTY 9, #97 (9 98 13 98)	GARTH BROOKS	2
42	49	53	30	★ ★ PACESETTER ★ Y  JEFF FOXWORTHY  WARNER BROS. 45314 (9.98/15.98) (ES	★ ★ OU MIGHT BE A REDNECK IF	42
43	44	44	91	JOHN MICHAEL MONTGOMERY ▲ ATLANTIC 82420/AG (9.9)	B 15 98) ES LIFE'S A DANCE	4
44	38	36	59	JOHN ANDERSON ● BNA 66232 (9.98/15.98)	SOLID GROUND	12
45	47	49	39	TANYA TUCKER ● LIBERTY 89048 (10 98/15.98)	SOON	18
46	41	38	68	PATTY LOVELESS ● EPIC 53236/SONY (9.98 EQ/15.98)	ONLY WHAT I FEEL	9
47	43	45	56	CLINT BLACK ▲ RCA 66239 (10.98/15.98)	NO TIME TO KILL	2
48	50	47	65	WYNONNA ▲ CURB 10822/MCA (10.98/15.98)	TELL ME WHY	1
49	46	40	43	ALABAMA ● RCA 66296 (9 98,15.98)	CHEAP SEATS	16
50	51	50	152	GARTH BROOKS ▲ 1 LIBERTY 96330 (10 98 15 98)	ROPIN' THE WIND	1
51	48	48	12	KATHY MATTEA MERCURY 518852 (10 98 EQ/15.98)	WALKING AWAY A WINNER	12
52	54	52	119	CONFEDERATE RAILROAD ▲ ATLANTIC 82335/AG (9 98/15 98)	CONFEDERATE RAILROAD	7
53	52	46	52	AARON TIPPIN ● RCA 66251 (9.98/15.98)	CALL OF THE WILD	6
54	56	54	169	ALAN JACKSON ▲ ARISTA 8681 (9.98/13.98)	DON'T ROCK THE JUKEBOX	2
55	53	51	10	HAL KETCHUM CURB 77660 (10.98/15.98)	EVERY LITTLE WORD	31
56	55	55	15	JOHNNY CASH AMERICAN 45520 WARNER BROS. (9.9%,15.98)	AMERICAN RECORDINGS	23
57	57	58	68	JOE DIFFIE ● EPIC 53002/SONY (10.98 EQ/15.98)	HONKY TONK ATTITUDE	10
58	58	59	50	SHENANDOAH RCA 66267 (9.98/15.98)	UNDER THE KUDZU	38
59	65	71	43	SAWYER BROWN CURB 77626 (10.98 15 98)	OUTSKIRTS OF TOWN	13
60	61	62	19	HANK WILLIAMS, JR. CURB 77638 (6.98/9.98)	GREATEST HITS, VOL. 1	60
61	60	60	22	BILLY DEAN LIBERTY 28357 (10.98 15.98)	GREATEST HITS	29
62	64	64	116	BILLY RAY CYRUS ▲ MERCURY 510635 (10 98 EQ:16.98)	SOME GAVE ALL	1
63	63	61	130	JOHN ANDERSON ▲ BNA 61029 (9.98/13.98)	SEMINOLE WIND	10
64	70	70	5	WILLIE NELSON COLUMBIA 64184/SONY (5.98 EQ;9.98)	SUPER HITS	64
65	67	68	34	DOUG STONE EPIC 57271/SONY (9.98 EQ/15.98)	MORE LOVE	20
66	68	69	103	TRAVIS TRITT ▲ WARNER BROS. 45048 (10.98/15.98)	T-R-O-U-B-L-E	6
67	66	66	74	SAMMY KERSHAW ● MERCURY 14332 (9.98 EQ/15.98)	HAUNTED HEART	11
68	69	63	207	ALAN JACKSON ▲ ARISTA 8623 (8.98/13 98)	HERE IN THE REAL WORLD	4
69	59	56	7	LARI WHITE RCA 66395 (9.98 15.98)	WISHES	54
70	71	= [	3	CHARLIE DANIELS EPIC 64182/SONY (5.98 EQ/9 98)	SUPER HITS	70
71	72	74	123	WYNONNA ▲ CURB 10529/MCA (10.98/15.98)	WYNONNA	1
72	62	57	8	BILLY DEAN LIBERTY 27760 (10 98/15.98)	MEN'LL BE BOYS	51
73	RE-E	NTRY	58	MARK CHESNUTT ● MCA 10851 (10 98/15 98)	ALMOST GOODBYE	6
74	RE-E	NTRY	17	CHRIS LEDOUX LIBERTY 28458 (10.98/15.98)	BEST OF	51
75	74	65	15	LINDA DAVIS ARISTA 18749 (9 98/15.98)	SHOOT FOR THE MOON	28

Albums with the greatest sales gains this week. • Recording Industry Assn. Of America (RIAA) certification for sales of 500,00 units. • RIAA certification for sales of 1 million units, with multimillion sellers indicated by a numeral following the symbol. \*Asterisk indicates LP is available. Most tape prices, and CD prices for WEA and BMG labels, are suggested lists. Tape prices marked EQ, and all other CD prices, are equivalent prices, which are projected from wholesale prices. Greatest Gainer shows chart's largest unit increase. Pacesetter indicates biggest percentage growth. Heatseeker Inipact shows artists removed from Heatseekers this week. • Indicates past or present Heatseeker title. • 1994, Billboard/BPI Communications, and SoundScan, Inc.

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THIS	LAST	ARTIST LABEL & NUMBER/DISTRIBUTING LABEL (SUGGESTED LIST PRICE OR EQUIVA	TITLE	WKS. ON CHART
1	1	PATSY CLINE ▲ 4 MCA 12* 7 98 12 98) 148 weeks at No. 1	GREATEST HITS	170
2	2	THE CHARLIE DANIELS BAND ▲ EPIC 38795/SONY (7 98 EQ/11 98)	A DECADE OF HITS	170
3	3	REBA MCENTIRE ▲ MCA 4979* (7 98 12 98)	GREATEST HITS	168
4	_	SAMMY KERSHAW MERCURY 510161 (9 98 EQ/13 98)	DON'T GO NEAR THE WATER	1
5	4	GEORGE JONES ● EPIC 40776 SONY (5.98 EQ.9 98)	SUPER HITS	155
6	5	GEORGE STRAIT ▲ MCA 42035 (7 98 1 7 98)	GREATEST HITS, VOL. 2	170
7	6	GEORGE STRAIT ▲ 2 MCA 5567* .7 98.12 981	GEORGE STRAIT'S GREATEST HITS	168
8	7	ALABAMA ▲ RCA 6825 (7 98/11 98)	ALABAMA LIVE	46
9	8	CONWAY TWITTY ▲ MCA 31238 (4 98 11 98)	THE VERY BEST OF CONWAY TWITTY	59
10	10	ALABAMA ▲ ' RCA 7170° (9 98 13 98)	GREATEST HITS	169
11	19	WILLIE NELSON & COLUMBIA 237542/SONY 9 98 EQ/13.98)	GREATEST HITS	37
12	9	GEORGE JONES GUSTO 3B0/IMG (8.9B)	AT HIS BEST	5
13	14	REBA MCENTIRE ● MCA 6294* (4 98,11 98)	SWEET SIXTEEN	140

THIS	LAST			WKS. ON CHART
14	-11	GEORGE STRAIT ● MCA 10450 (9.98/15.98)	TEN STRAIT HITS	17
15	25	PATSY CLINE MCA 4038 (7 98/12 98)	THE PATSY CLINE STORY	9
16	12	KEITH WHITLEY ▲ RCA 52277 (9 98 13.98)	GREATEST HITS	29
17	15	ALABAMA ▲ RCA 61040 (9 98/13.98)	GREATEST HITS VOL. 2	31
18	13	THE JUDDS ▲* CURB 8318/RCA (9 98/15 98)	GREATEST HITS	53
19	20	TRAVIS TRITT ▲ WARNER BROS. 26094 (9.98/13.98)	COUNTRY CLUB	18
20	17	DWIGHT YOAKAM ● REPRISE 25989*/WARNER BROS. (9 98/13 98)	JUST LOOKIN' FOR A HIT	120
21	23	TANYA TUCKER ● CAPITOL 91814 (9.98/13 98)	GREATEST HITS	9
22	21	WAYLON JENNINGS ▲4 RCA 3378* (8.98)	GREATEST HITS	54
23	16	KENNY ROGERS ▲ LIBERTY 5112*/CAPITOL (9.98/15.98)	TWENTY GREATEST HITS	74
24	22	VINCE GILL ● RCA 9B14* (4.9B(9.98)	BEST OF VINCE GILL	168
25		WILLIE NELSON A COLUMBIA 35305/SONY (7.98 EQ/11.9B)	STARDUST	10

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by Lynn Shults

NO. 1 FOR THE SECOND CONSECUTIVE week is John Michael Montgomery with "Be My Baby Tonight." The song was written by Ed Hill and Rich Fagen, and published by New Haven Music and Music Hill Music. Karen Conrad's New Haven music administers the copyright. Hill says Fagen had the hook line for the song since high school, but had not been able to create a song out of it. It was not until Fagan and Hill went to work on the lyrics that it all came together. "We wrote the song last summer," says Hill. "We cut the demo, and the song wasn't in the office more than three or four days before Scott Hendricks came by looking for songs for John Michael. Ron Stuve played the song for Scott. He liked it and put the song on hold that day. I never thought the song would make it, 'cause it's kind of crazy. It's Rich's kind of song, though. I write songs with him just so I can write an uptempo song." When they sat down to co-write, they didn't have a specific artist in mind. "Fortunately for us, it was John Michael's first uptempo, rockin' song. He and Scott cut the song almost like the demo.'

HE MOST ACTIVE SINGLE on the Hot Country Singles & Tracks chart is "Callin' Baton Rouge" (61-40) by Garth Brooks. The song was written by Dennis Linde in the '70s, and over the years it was turned down by many highly paid Music Row tune seekers. The song was almost forgotten until discovered by the now-defunct bluegrass band New Grass Revival. The acclaimed group's Capitol Records version peaked at No. 37 in the summer of 1989—a few months after Brooks debuted on the label. "Calling Baton Rouge" caught his ear and stayed in his mind. When Brooks decided to record the song for his "In Pieces" album, he called on New Grass members Sam Bush, John Cowan, Bela Fleck, and Pat Flynn to record the tune with him and his producer, Allen Reynolds. It was the first time they had been in the same room together since the band broke up. And what does Linde have to say about all this? "I'm really happy. After the New Grass single, I thought, 'Well, that's the end of it [the song].' New Grass really nailed the cut, and the song was heard on the radio and all. And then they broke up. I was shocked when I was told Garth had cut it. I mean, nobody thought to pitch the song to Garth. He just decided to cut it." Such is life on Music Row. As Larry Butler once said, "You can hear a hit song, lock it up in a desk drawer, throw away the key, and it will somehow find its way out.

ALSO MAKING AN IMPACT on the singles chart are "Who's That Man" (38-30) by Toby Keith; "I Try To Think About Elvis" (37-31) by Patty Loveless; "Ten Feet Tall And Bulletproof" (55-46) by Travis Tritt; "The City Put The Country Back In Me" (48-36) by Neal McCoy; "She Dreams" (29-21) by Mark Chesnutt; "Hangin' In" (8-5) by Tanya Tucker; "Down On The Farm" (25-19) by Tim McGraw; "Man Of My Word" (54-44) by Collin Raye; and "Nobody's Gonna Rain On Our Parade" (45-34) by Kathy Mattea.

ALBUM SALES CONTINUE at a sluggish pace as summer winds down and families begin gearing up for school to resume. The week's most active album, and winner of the Greatest Gainer Award, is "Third Rock From The Sun" (14-9) by Joe Diffie. Also showing strength are the week's Pacesetter album, "You might Be A Redneck If ..." (49-42) by Jeff Foxworthy; "Rick Trevino" (40-33) by Rick Trevino; "What A Crying Shame" (8-8) by the Mavericks; and "Soon" (47-45) by Tanya Tucker ... Warner Bros. is releasing a video and going after radio airplay on "Redneck Stomp," a track from a special Foxworthy radio compilation. The video was directed by "Weird Al" Yankovic.

#### WAYLON JENNINGS GETS INSPIRATION IN L.A. FOR NEW SET

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realized there was a place here that really cared about him.

Shortly before the boxed set's release in October 1993, Jennings resigned with RCA Nashville and immediately sought out Was, whom he had originally met at a Was-produced Bob Seger session back in 1989. From the outset, everyone involved in "Waymore's Blues (Part II)" realized that this was not going to be a typical coun-

try release.
"If radio plays this album, that will be an added bonus, but I'm not sitting here holding my breath waiting for the kind of full participation that one would hope for in launching a new country record," Schuyler says.

That kind of freedom from radio's constraints and hands-off attitude from the record company have worked well for Was in the past, and in working with Jennings the producer was reminded of sessions with Bonnie Raitt for her multiplatinum "Nick of Time."

"I think when you're not aiming for the radio you can do great things," says Was. "The mindset going into the 'Nick of Time' record was, 'We're not going to get radio anyway, so let's not compromise an inch.' And that's a liberating thing. When you're freed from that yoke, sometimes you soar, and when you soar, you sometimes get lucky and connect with people."

All involved are hoping for a similar breakthrough with "Waymore's Blues (Part II)." According to Schuyler, the company initially will "make a big push at triple-A and college radio." Ned Horton, owner of WRLT, Nashville's album alternative station, considers that strategy not at all far-fetched.

"Our underlying philosophy here is to play something because it's good," Horton says, pointing to recent surprise successes at his station with Joan Baez and Boz Scaggs. "A lot of times there is almost a reverse prejudice against artists strongly associated with a certain style, but I think [Waylon Jennings on album alternative] would actually be kind of cool."

RCA recently previewed the new al-

bum at a media dinner in New York. and is planning a launch party in Los Angeles, Jennings also attended the recent BMG convention in Seattle, where, according to Schuyler, "he was stunning." In addition, RCA plans to get interactive in promoting the CD to consumers, holding an electronic press conference on the CompuServe computer network that will allow subscribers to conduct a back-and-forth dialog with Jennings and his 14-year-old son.

"Should this album get played, it could change things," Jennings says.
"It may not be the record to do it, but it could help put country music back on a track that is not so predictable."

Whatever the fate of the album, Jennings, looking leaner and healthier than he has in years, is clearly excited about having new music out there and is glad to be in the game.

"I don't know if I'll ever have a big No. 1 single again, and I don't worry about that," he says. "I just know this record feels good, and I'm really lucky to be able to do what I love for a living.

#### COUNTRY SINGLES A-Z PUBLISHERS/PERFORMANCE RIGHTS/SHEET MUSIC

TITLE (Publisher - Licensing Org.) Sheet Music Dist.

- 50 BEEN THERE (New Don, ASCAP/New Hayes, ASCAP/
- Irving, BMI) CPP

  1 BE MY BABY TONIGHT (New Haven, BMI/Music Hill, BMI/OI, ASCAP) CPP

  66 BUT I WILL (WB, ASCAP/East 64th, ASCAP/Warner-Tamerlane, BMI/Larry Stewart, BMI/Yasa, BMI) WBM

  40 CALLIN' BATON ROUGE (Combine, ASCAP/EMI
- 57 THE CHEAP SEATS (Careers-BMG, BMI/Longitude, BMI)
- 37 THE CHEAP SEATS (Careers-BMG, BMI/Longitude, BMI) W9M/HI.
  38 THE CITY PUT THE COUNTRY BACK IN ME (Sixteen Stars, BM/Dixie Stars, ASCAP) HL
  28 COWBOY BAND (Careers-BMG, BMI/Conasauga Troubadors, BMI) HL
  19 DOWN ON THE FARM (Texas Wedge, ASCAP/Noosa Heads, BMI) CPP
  3 DREAMING WITH MY EYES OPEN (Famous, ASCAP/Pookie Bear, ASCAP/Bug, ASCAP) HL/CPP
  26 ELVIS AND ANDY (Almo, ASCAP) CPP
  27 ELVIS AND ANDY (Almo, ASCAP) CPP
  28 ELVIS AND ANDY (Almo, ASCAP) CPP
  29 FOOLISH PRIDE (POST O.A., BMI) HL
  20 GET A LITTLE CLOSER (Sony Cross Keys, ASCAP/Major Bob, ASCAP) Supples Choice, BMI)
  31 GIRLS WITH GUITARS (EMI April, ASCAP)Getarealjob, ASCAP)

- GIRLS WITH GUITARS (EMI Apin, ASCAP/Getateaijo), ASCAP, HE GIVE ME A RING SOMETIME (Blake Eyed Susan, BMI/Citterfish, BMI/Songs Of All Nations, BMI) HALF THE MAM (Blackened, BMI) CPP HANGIN' IN (WB, ASCAP/Rancho Bogardo, ASCAP/Great Cumberland, BMI/Diamond Struck, BMI) CPP/WBM HARO LUCK WOMAN (Hori Productions America, ASCAP/Polygram Int'I, ASCAP) HL HARO TO SAY (Travelin' Zoo, ASCAP) HL HART LURG A HURRICAME (WB, ASCAP/Big Tractor, ASCAP) HEART OYER MIND (Royhaven, BMI/Starstruck Angel, BMI)

- BMI)
  HE'S A GOOD OLE BOY (Sony Tree, BMI) HL
  IF I EVER LOVE AGAIN (David 'N' WIII, ASCAP/WB,
  ASCAP/TWO SORS, ASCAP) WBM
  I'LL GO DOWN LOVING YOU (Sony Tree, BMI/Careers-

- 14 INDEPENDENCE DAY (Sony Cross Keys, ASCAP) HL 59 I SURE CAN SMELL THE RAIN (Alabama Band, BMI/

- Rick Hall, ASCAP)

  1 I TAKE MY CHANCES (EMI April, ASCAP/Getarealjob, ASCAP/Jon Schlütz, ASCAP/Almo, ASCAP) HL/CPP

  31 I TRY TO THINK ABOUT ELVIS (MCA, ASCAP/Gary Burr,
- 63 IT WON'T BE OVER YOU (MCA, ASCAP/Kicking Bird,

- 53 IT WON'T BE OVER YOU (MCA, ASCAP/Kicking Bird, BMI)) PL

  35 I WISH I COULO HAVE BEEN THERE (Almo, ASCAP)
  Holmes Creek, ASCAP/Trung, BMI/Colter Bay, BMI) CPP

  56 JUKEBOX JUNKIE (Cupit, BMI/Cupit Memaries, ASCAP)
  61 LABOR OF LOVE (Polygram Int'I, ASCAP/St. Julien, ASCAP/Mommy's Geetar, BMI) HL

  71 LET ME ORIVE (Little Big Town, BMI/American Made, BMI/Housenotes, BMI) WBM

  31 LIFESTYLES OF THE MOT SO RICH & FAMOUS (MCA Canada, SOCAN/Sold For A Song, SOCAN/Brother Bart, ASCAP/MCA, ASCAP) ML

  39 LITTLE GOCK (Sony Tree, BMI) HL

  2 LOVE A LITTLE STRONGER (Great Cumberland, BMI/Diamond Struck, BMI/Circle Of Life, BMI/Heart Doctor, ASCAP/Angela DeLugo, ASCAP/Storm Front, BMI/John Juan, BMI/Ensign, BMI) CPP/HL

  10 THE MAM IN LOVE WITH YOIL (Roots And Sours RMI/
- Juan, BMI/Ensign, BMI) CPP/HL

  10 THE MAN IN LOVE WITH YOU (Boots And Spurs, BMI/
  Spurs And Boots, ASCAP) HL

  44 MAN OF MY WORD (Hayes Street, ASCAP/Almo, ASCAP/
  Allen Shamblin, ASCAP/MCA, ASCAP/Gary Burr, ASCAP)
- 18 MORE LOVE (That's A Smash, BMI/MCA, ASCAP/Gary

- Burr, ASCAP) HL

  8 MATIONAL WORKING WOMAN'S HOLIDAY (Murrah,
  BMI/Castle Street, BMI/Ears Last, ASCAP/On The
  Mantel, ASCAP) CPP

  34 MOBOOT'S GONNA RAIN ON OUR PARADE (Longitude,
  BMI/Rio Zen, BMI/Reynsong, BMI/Howe Sound, BMI) HL

  62 ONE GOOO MAN (WB, ASCAP/Rancho Bogardo, ASCAP/
  Great Cumberland, BMI/Diamond Struck, BMI/
  Patenrick, BMI) CPP

  51 ONE NIGHT A DAY (MCA, ASCAP/Gary Burr, ASCAP/
  Foreshadow, BMI/Uncle Pete, BMI) CLM/HL

  23 O WHAT A THRILL (Musique Chanteclair, ASCAP/Bug,
  ASCAP)

- POCKET OF A CLOWN (Coal Dust West, BMI/Warner-

- Tamerlane, BMI) WBM

  RENEGADES, REBELS AND ROGUES (Sony Tree, BMI/Sony Cross Keys, ASCAP/Tracy Lawrence, ASCAP) HL

  SHE CAN'T SAY 1 OIDN'T CRY (Starstruck Angel, BMI/Stroudacaster, BMI) CPP

  SHE DREAMS (Warner-Tamerlane, BMI/Patrick Joseph, BMI/Sony Cross Keys, ASCAP/Miss Dot, ASCAP/Brass

- Ring, ASCAP) HL
  49 SHE LOVES ME LIKE SHE MEANS IT (EMI April, ASCAP) ASCAP) HL/CPP
  SHE THINKS HIS NAME WAS JOHN (Bash, ASCAP/Blue
- Water, ASCAP/Mighty Nice, BMI/Blue Water, BMI) HL 55 STATE FAIR (Alabama Band, ASCAP/Wildcountry,
- ASCAP) WBM
  43 STOP ON A OIME (Square Lake, ASCAP/Howlin' Hits,
- SUMMERTIME BLUES (Warner-Tamerlane, BMI) WBM TAKE THESE CHAINS FROM MY HEART (Milene,
- 46 TEN FEET TALL AND BULLETPROOF (Post Oak, BMI)
- HL
  42 THAT AIN'T NO WAY TO GO (Sony Tree, BM//Buffalo Prairie Songs, BM//Don Cook, BMI) HL
  48 THAT'S MY BABY (Almo, ASCAP/LaSongs, Ascap/Taste
- Auction, BMI/Wacissa River, BMI) CPP

  22 THINKIN' PROBLEM (New Court, BMI/Low Country, BMI/Almo, ASCAP/Hayes Street, ASCAP/EMI April,
- ASCAP) CPP/HL
  15 THIRO ROCK FROM THE SUN (Major Bob, ASCAP/Rio
- 15 INTO ROUL PROM INE SUN IMAJOR BOD, ASCAP/RIO Bravo, BMI/Stroudacaster, BMI/Baby Mae, BMI) CPP 53 (TONIGHT WE JUST MIGHT) FALL IN LOVE AGAIN (AI Andersongs, BMI/Mighty Nice, BMI/Hecktone, BMI/ Foreshadow, BMI) CLM 54 WATERMELON CRAWL (Acuff-Rose, BMI/Coburn, BMI) 7 WESTERN FLYER (BMG, BMI/Careers-BMG, BMI) HL 20 WHATS IN IT FOR ME (WB, ASCAP/New Crew, ASCAP/ New John, ASCAP/MCA, ASCAP/Gary Burr, ASCAP) HL/ WRM

- WBM
  WHAT THE COWGIRLS OO (Benefit, BMI/Englishtown
- BMI) WBM
  45 WHENEVER YOU COME AROUND (Benefit, BMI/ Foreshadow, BMI/Uncle Pete, BMI) CLM/WBM

  38 WHEN YOU WALK IN THE ROOM (EMI, BMI/Unart, BMI)
- 74 WHERE THERE'S SMOKE (Tom Collins, BMI/Ha-Deb,
- ASCAP)
  6 WHISPER MY NAME (WB, ASCAP/Big Tractor, ASCAP)
- 75 WHOLE LOTTA LOVE ON THE LINE (Acuff-Rose, BMI)
- 30 WHO'S THAT MAN (Songs Of PolyGram, BMI/Tokeco,
- BMI) HL
  52 WHY HAVEN'T I HEARD FROM YOU (Bash, ASCAP/Life

MY NAVE I FIRENCE AND TOU GOASI, ASSAY, ONE
Of The Record, ASCAP, HL

33 WINK (Little Big Town, BMI/American Made, BMI/Great
Cumberland, BMI/Diamond Struck, BMI) WBM/CPP

1 XXX'S AND OOD'S (AN AMERICAN GIRL) (Sony Tunes,
ASCAP/Mother Disse, ASCAP/August Wind, BMI/Great
Broad, BMI/Longitude, BMI) HL/WBM

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	L.X	(S	WKS. ON CHART		
THIS	LAST	2 WKS AGO	WKS	TITLE PRODUCER (SONGWRITER)	ARTIST LABEL & NUMBER/DISTRIBUTING LABEL
	,	,	14	★ ★ NO. 1 ★ ↑  BE MY BABY TONIGHT  2 weeks at No. 1	★ ★ ◆ JOHN MICHAEL MONTGOMERY
1	1	3	14	S.HENDRICKS (E.HILL,R.FAGAN)  LOVE A LITTLE STRONGER	(C) (V) ATLANTIC 87236 ◆ DIAMOND RIO
(2)	3	4	13	M.POWELL,T.DUBOIS (C.JONES,B.CRITTENDEN,G.SWINT)  DREAMING WITH MY EYES OPEN	(C) (V) ARISTA 1-2693 ◆ CLAY WALKER
3	4	6	11	J.STROUD (T.ARATA)  HALF THE MAN	(V) GIANT 18139 CLINT BLACK
4	6	9	12	J.STROUD, C.BLACK (C.BLACK, H.NICHOLAS)  HANGIN' IN	(V) RCA 62878 ◆ TANYA TUCKER
5		10	13	J.CRUTCHFIELD (S.BOGARD,R.GILES)  WHISPER MY NAME	(V) LIBERTY 79033 ◆ RANDY TRAVIS
6	9	12	11	K.LEHNING (T.BRUCE)  SUMMERTIME BLUES	(C) (V) WARNER BROS. 18153 ◆ ALAN JACKSON
7	2	1	10	K.STEGALL (E.COCHRAN, J.CAPEHART)  NATIONAL WORKING WOMAN'S HOLIDAY	(C) (V) ARISTA 1-2697 ◆ SAMMY KERSHAW
8	5	2	14	B.CANNON,N.WILSON (R.MURRAH,P.TERRY,J.D.HICKS)  WHAT THE COWGIRLS DO	(C) (V) MERCURY 858 722 ◆ VINCE GILL
9	13	18	7	T.BROWN (V.GILL,R.NIELSEN) THE MAN IN LOVE WITH YOU	(C) (V) MCA 54879 ◆ GEORGE STRAIT
(10)	12	20	9	T.BROWN,G.STRAIT (S.DORFF,G.HARJU)	(C) (V) MCA 54854
11	14	22	7	XXX'S AND OOO'S (AN AMERICAN GIRL) G.FUNDIS,H.STINSON (A.RANDALL,M.BERG)	TRISHA YEARWOOD (C) (V) MCA 54898
(12)	15	21	12	SHE CAN'T SAY I DIDN'T CRY S.BUCKINGHAM (T.MARTIN, T.MARTIN, R.WILSON)	◆ RICK TREVINO (C) (V) COLUMBIA 77535
13	10	13	12	GIRLS WITH GUITARS T.BROWN (M.C.CARPENTER)	◆ WYNONNA (V) CURB 54875/MCA
14)	16	19	16	INDEPENDENCE DAY P. WORLEY, E. SEAY, M. MCBRIDE (G. PETERS)	◆ MARTINA MCBRIDE (C) (V) RCA 62828
<b>(15)</b>	18	29	6	THIRD ROCK FROM THE SUN J.SLATE, J. DIFFIE (J. GREENEBAUM, S WHIPPLE, T. MARTIN)	◆ JOE DIFFIE (C) (V) EPIC 77577
16	7	7	13	RENEGADES, REBELS AND ROGUES T.LAWRENCE, C.ANDERSON (P. NELSON, L. BOONE, E. CLARK)	◆ TRACY LAWRENCE ATLANTIC ALBUM CUT
(17)	20	23	9	MARD TO SAY M.MILLER,M.MCANALLY (M.MILLER)	◆ SAWYER BROWN CURB ALBUM CUT
18	21	25	10	MORE LOVE J.STROUD (D.STONE,G.BURR)	DOUG STONE (C) (V) EPIC 77549
(10)	0.5			★ ★ ★ AIRPOWER ★	T ★ ★
19	25	34	6	J.STROUD,B.GALLIMORE (K.K.PHILLIPS,J LASETER)	CURB ALBUM CUT
20	23	28	9	WHAT'S IN IT FOR ME C.HOWARD (J.JARRARD,G.BURR)	JOHN BERRY (C) (V) LIBERTY 79035
(21)	29	40	5	★★★AIRPOWER★	t ★ ★ ◆ MARK CHESNUTT
				M.WRIGHT (G.HARRISON,T.MENSY) THINKIN' PROBLEM	(C) (V) DECCA 54887  ◆ DAVID BALL
22	11	5	19	B.CHANCEY (D.BALL, A.SHAMBLIN, S. ZIFF)  O WHAT A THRILL	(C) (V) WARNER BROS. 18250 ◆ THE MAVERICKS
(23)	34	38	15	D.COOK (J.WINCHESTER)  EVERY ONCE IN A WHILE	(C) (V) MCA 54780 ◆ BLACKHAWK
24	17	8	19	M.BRIGHT,T.DUBOIS (H.PAUL,V.STEPHENSON,D.ROBBINS)  POCKET OF A CLOWN	(C) (V) ARISTA 1-2668  ◆ DWIGHT YOAKAM
25	28	35	8	P. ANDERSON (D. YOAKAM)  ELVIS AND ANDY	REPRISE ALBUM CUT/WARNER BROS.  CONFEDERATE RAILROAD
26	31	37	7	B.BECKETT (C.WISEMAN)	(C) (V) ATLANTIC 87229  ◆ REBA MCENTIRE
27)	33	45	4	SHE THINKS HIS NAME WAS JOHN T.BROWN,R.MCENTIRE (S.KNOX,S ROSEN) COWBOY BAND	(C) (V) MCA 54899  ◆ BILLY DEAN
28	24	31	12	J.BOWEN (M. POWELL, J. MEDDERS)  FOOLISH PRIDE	(C) (V) LIBERTY 79034  ◆ TRAVIS TRITT
29	22	14	18	G.BROWN (T.TRITT) WHO'S THAT MAN	(C) (V) WARNER BROS. 18180  TOBY KEITH
30	38	51	4	N.LARKIN,H.SHEDD (T.KEITH)	(C) (V) POLYDOR 853 358
31)	37	50	4	I TRY TO THINK ABOUT ELVIS E.GORDY,JR. (G.BURR)	◆ PATTY LOVELESS (C) (V) EPIC 77609
32	19	17	14	TAKE THESE CHAINS FROM MY HEART S.HENDRICKS (F.ROSE,H.HEATH)	LEE ROY PARNELL (C) (V) ARISTA 1-2695
33	32	24	18	WINK B.BECKETT (B.DIPIERO,T.SHAPIRO)	◆ NEAL MCCOY (C) (V) ATLANTIC 87247
34	45	52	5	NOBODY'S GONNA RAIN ON OUR PARADE J.LEO (B.PARKER, W.RAMBEAUX)	◆ KATHY MATTEA (C) (V) MERCURY 858 800
35	26	16	18	J. WISH J COULD HAVE BEEN THERE J.STROUD, J.ANDERSON (J.ANDERSON, K.ROBBINS)	◆ JOHN ANDERSON (V) BNA 62795
36	48	56	3	THE CITY PUT THE COUNTRY BACK IN ME B.BECKETT (M.GEIGER, W.MULLIS, M.HUFFMAN)	◆ NEAL MCCOY (C) (V) ATLANTIC 87213
37	27	11	17	LIFESTYLES OF THE NOT SO RICH & FAMOUS J.CRUTCHFIELD (B.HILL,W.TESTER)	◆ TRACY BYRD (C) (V) MCA 54778
38	50	61	3	WHEN YOU WALK IN THE ROOM P.TILLIS,S.FISHELL (J.DESHANNON)	◆ PAM TILLIS (C) (V) ARISTA 1-2726

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THIS	LAST WEEK	2 WKS AGO	WKS. ON CHART	TITLE	ARTIST
39	39	36	20	PRODUCER (SONGWRITER)  LITTLE ROCK	LABEL & NUMBER/DISTRIBUTING LABEL  ◆ COLLIN RAYE
(40)	61	_	7	J.HOBBS,E.SEAY,P.WORLEY (T.DOUGLAS)  CALLIN' BATON ROUGE	GARTH BROOKS
		22		I TAKE MY CHANCES	MARY CHAPIN CARPENTER
41	36	32	17	J.JENNINGS,M.C.CARPENTER (M.C.CARPENTER,D.SCHLITZ) THAT AIN'T NO WAY TO GO	(V) COLUMBIA 77476 ◆ BROOKS & DUNN
42	40	39	20	D.COOK,S.HENDRICKS (R.DUNN,K.BROOKS,D.COOK)  STOP ON A DIME	(V) ARISTA 1-2669 LITTLE TEXAS
43	30	15	14	J.STROUD,C.DINAPOLI,D.GRAU (P.HOWELL,D.O'BRIEN,B.SEALS)  MAN OF MY WORD	WARNER BROS. ALBUM CUT COLLIN RAYE
44)	54	68	3 19	J.HOBBS,E.SEAY,P.WORLEY (A.SHAMBLIN,G.BURR)  WHENEVER YOU COME AROUND	(C) (V) EPIC 77632 VINCE GILL
45	55	73	3	T.BROWN (V.GILL,P.WASNER)  TEN FEET TALL AND BULLETPROOF	(C) (V) MCA 54833 ◆ TRAVIS TRITT
<u> </u>			9	G.BROWN (T.TRITT)  I'LL GO DOWN LOVING YOU	(C) (V) WARNER BROS. 18104 ◆ SHENANDOAH
47	46	46		D.COOK (C.HARTFORD.S.HOGIN,M.POWELL)  THAT'S MY BABY	(V) RCA 62867 ◆ LARI WHITE
48	41	26	20	G.FUNDIS (L.WHITE, C.CANNON)  SHE LOVES ME LIKE SHE MEANS IT	(C) (V) RCA 62764 ◆ ORRALL & WRIGHT
(50)	49	49	8	L.PETERZELL,R.E.ORRALL,C.WRIGHT,J.STROUD (R.E.ORRALL,B.SPENCE  BEEN THERE	R.ANGELO) (C) (V) GIANT 18162  ◆ TERRY MCBRIDE & THE RIDE
	52	53	8	J.LEO (D.SCHLITZ, B.LIVSEY)  ONE NIGHT A DAY	(C) (V) MCA 54853 GARTH BROOKS
51	43	30	16	A REYNOLDS (G.BURR,P.WASNER)  WHY HAVEN'T I HEARD FROM YOU	(V) LIBERTY 17972  ◆ REBA MCENTIRE
52	53	48	20	T.BROWN,R.MCENTIRE (S.KNOX.T.W.HALE)  (TONIGHT WE JUST MIGHT) FALL IN LOVE AGAIN	(C) (V) MCA 54823 ◆ HAL KETCHUM
53	47	27	18	A.REYNOLDS, J. ROONEY (A.ANDERSON, H.KETCHUM)	(C) CURB 76922
(54)	65		2	J.CRUTCHFIELD (B.BROCK, Z.TURNER)	◆ TRACY BYRD (C) (V) MCA 54889
(55)	56	55	8	STATE FAIR R.LANDIS (M.CATES)	◆ DOUG SUPERNAW (C) (V) BNA 62851
<b>(56)</b>	60	62	4	JUKEBOX JUNKIE J.CUPIT (J.CUPIT, J.HONEYCUTT, K.MELLONS)	◆ KEN MELLÔNS (C) (V) EPIC 77579
57	57	54	19	THE CHEAP SEATS J.LEO,L.M.LEE,ALABAMA (M.HUMMON,R SHARP)	◆ ALABAMA (V) RCA 62623
(58)	63	_	2	HEART OVER MIND R.LANDIS (S.MUNSEY,B.ALAN)	LORRIE MORGAN (V) BNA 62946
(59)	NE/	<b>N &gt;</b>	1	* * * HOT SHOT DE	BUT ★ ★ ★  ◆ BLACKHAWK (V) ARISTA 1-2718
60	66		2	HAS ANYBODY SEEN AMY  J.SCIAFE, J. COTTON (J. VEZNER, D. HENRY)	◆ JOHN & AUDREY WIGGINS (C) (V) MERCURY 858920
61	58	59	7	LABOR OF LOVE	◆ RADNEY FOSTER (C) (V) ARISTA 1-2716
<b>62</b> )	64	65	4	S.FISHELL,R.FOSTER (R.FOSTER,C.BULLENS)  ONE GOOD MAN S.BOGARD,M.CLUTE (S.BOGARD,R.GILES)	◆ MICHELLE WRIGHT (C) (V) ARISTA 1-2727
63	62	60	20	IT WON'T BE OVER YOU S.HENDRICKS (T.BRUCE,T.MCHUGH)	STEVE WARINER (V) ARISTA 1-2672
(64)	67	75	3	IF I EVER LOVE AGAIN J.STROUD.J.CARLTON (C.WRIGHT,B.SPENCER)	◆ DARON NORWOOD GIANT ALBUM CUT
65	59	58	9	HE'S A GOOD OLE BOY	◆ CHELY WRIGHT
66	51	43	12	B.BECKETT,H.SHEDD (H.HOWARD)  BUT I WILL S.HENDRICKS (T.SEALS,E.SETSER,L.STEWART)	(C) (V) POLYDOR 853 056  ◆ FAITH HILL (C) (V) WARNER 8ROS. 18179
<b>67</b> )	70	69	5	WESTERN FLYER RPENNINGTON,RBALL (D.MYRICK,T.WOOD)	◆ WESTERN FLYER (V) STEP ONE 479
(68)	NE	N D	1	HEART LIKE A HURRICANE S.HENDRICKS (T.BRUCE,C.WISEMAN)	◆ LARRY STEWART (C) (V) COLUMBIA 77638
69	NE	N D	1	GIVE ME A RING SOMETIME J.CRUTCHFIELD (K.BERGSNES.B.MOULDS.S.ANDERSON)	◆ LISA BROKOP (C) (V) PATRIOT 79036
70	68	67	6	HARD LUCK WOMAN A REYNOLDS (P. STANLEY)	GARTH BROOKS
(11)	71	71	3	LET ME DRIVE M.WRIGHT (B.DIPIERO,G.HOUSE)	◆ GREG HOLLAND (C) (V) WARNER BROS. 18152
72	NE	<b>N &gt;</b>	1	FISH AIN'T BITIN' T. BROWN (D.L., MURPHY)	◆ DAVID LEE MURPHY (C) (V) MCA 54877
73	73	_	2	GET A LITTLE CLOSER C.HOWARD,R.L.GREGG (K.WILLIAMS,K.BLAZY,N.THRASHER)	◆ RICKY LYNN GREGG (C) (V) LIBERTY 79039
74)	NE	N <b>&gt;</b>	1	WHERE THERE'S SMOKE R. SCRUGGS (B.P. BARKER, M.COLLIE)	◆ ARCHER/PARK (C) (V) ATLANTIC 87211
75	69	63	18	WHOLE LOTTA LOVE ON THE LINE S.HENDRICKS (A.TIPPIN,D.KEES)	AARON TIPPIN (V) RCA 62832
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### HOT COUNTRY RECURRENTS

1	_		1	THEY DON'T MAKE 'EM LIKE THAT ANYMORE C.FARREN (J.STEELE,C.FARREN)	BOY HOWDY CURB
2		_	1	DON'T TAKE THE GIRL  J.STROUD,B.GALLIMORE (C.MARTIN,L.W JOHNSON)	◆ TIM MCGRAW CURB
3	1	_	2	WALKING AWAY A WINNER J.LEO (T.SHAPIRO, B. DIPIERO)	◆ KATHY MATTEA MERCURY
4	2	1	3	WISH I DIDN'T KNOW NOW N.LARKIN,H SHEDD (T.KEITH)	◆ TOBY KEITH MERCURY
5	5	5	8	PIECE OF MY HEART S.HENDRICKS (B.BERNS,J.RAGAVOY)	◆ FAITH HILL WARNER BROS.
6	3	2	5	A GOOD RUN OF BAD LUCK J.STROUD,C.BLACK (C.BLACK,H.NICHOLAS)	◆ CLINT BLACK RCA
7	6	6	16	I SWEAR S.HENDRICKS (F.J.MYERS,G.BAKER)	◆ JOHN MICHAEL MONTGOMERY ATLANTIC
8	4	4	8	YOUR LOVE AMAZES ME C.HOWARD (A.HUNT, C.JONES)	◆ JOHN BERRY LIBERTY
9	9	7	8	IF BUBBA CAN DANCE (I CAN TOO) D.COOK (M.RAYBON,M.MCGUIRE,B.MCDILL)	◆ SHENANDOAH RCA
10	7	3	3	HOW CAN I HELP YOU SAY GOODBYE E.GORDY,JR. (B.B.COLLINS,K.TAYLOR-GOOD)	◆ PATTY LOVELESS EPIC
11	8	_	2	SPILLED PERFUME S.FISHELL, P.TILLIS (P.TILLIS, D.DILLON)	◆ PAM TILLIS ARISTA
12	10	9	16	NO DOUBT ABOUT IT B.BECKETT (J.S.SHERRILL, S.SESKIN)	◆ NEAL MCCOY ATLANTIC
13	12	13	12	MY LOVE J.STROUD,C.DINAPOLI,D.GRAU (P.HOWELL,B.SEALS,T.BARNES)	◆ LITTLE TEXAS WARNER BROS.

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14	11	8	4	BEFORE YOU KILL US ALL K.LEHNING (K.FOLLESE,M.T.BARNES)	◆ RANDY TRAVIS WARNER BROS.
15	14	12	17	I JUST WANTED YOU TO KNOW M.WRIGHT (G.HARRISON,T.MENSY)	MARK CHESNUTT
16	13	14	9	IF THE GOOD DIE YOUNG J.STROUD (P.NELSON.C.WISEMAN)	◆ TRACY LAWRENCE ATLANTIC
17	17	16	17	ROCK MY WORLD (LITTLE COUNTRY GIRL) D.COOK,S.HENDRICKS (B.LABOUNTY,S.O'BRIEN)	◆ BROOKS & DUNN ARISTA
18	16	11	16	HE THINKS HE'LL KEEP HER  J JENNINGS,M.C.CARPENTER (M.C.CARPENTER.D.SCHLITZ)	◆ MARY CHAPIN CARPENTER COLUMBIA
19	15	10	4	DADDY NEVER WAS THE CADILLAC KIND B.BECKETT (B.NELSON,D.GIBSON)	◆ CONFEDERATE RAILROAD ATLANTIC
20	19	15	13	I'M HOLDING MY OWN S.HENDRICKS (T.ARATA)	◆ LEE ROY PARNELL ARISTA
21	22	23	17	I'VE GOT IT MADE  J.STROUD.J.ANDERSON (M.BARNES )	JOHN ANDERSON BNA
22	23		19	GOODBYE SAYS IT ALL M.BRIGHT, T.DUBOIS (J.MACRAE, C.BLACK, B.FISCHER)	◆ BLACKHAWK ARISTA
23	25	25	32	GOD BLESSED TEXAS J.STROUD,C.DINAPOLI,D.GRAU (P.HOWELL,B.SEALS)	◆ LITTLE TEXAS WARNER BROS.
24	_	21	28	FAST AS YOU P.ANDERSON (D.YOAKAM)	◆ DWIGHT YOAKAM REPRISE
25	18	22	47	CHATTAHOOCHEE K STEGALL (A JACKSON LIMCBRIDE)	◆ ALAN JACKSON

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## **Artists & Music**

## Top Contemporary Christian.

EEK	Compiled from a national sample of retail store and one-stop sales reports.				
THIS WEEK	2 WKS.	WKS. ON	ARTIST LABEL & NUMBER/DISTRIBUTING LABEL	TITLE	
1	1	3	* NO. 1 STEVEN CURTIS CHAPMAN SPARROW 1408 3 weeks at No. 1	★ ★ HEAVEN IN THE REAL WORLD	
2	2	89	DC TALK • FOREFRONT 3002/STARSONG	FREE AT LAST	
3	3	43	CARMAN ● SPARROW 1387	THE STANDARD	
4	6	43	MICHAEL W. SMITH REUNION 0086/WORD	FIRST DECADE 1983-1993	
5	4	45	VARIOUS ARTISTS REUNION 0083/WORD	SONGS FROM THE LOFT	
6	15	5	TAKE 6 WARNER ALLIANCE 4150/SPARROW	JOIN THE BAND	
7	13	23	MICHAEL CARD SPARROW 1435	JOY IN THE JOURNEY	
8	8	27	POINT OF GRACE WORD 26014	POINT OF GRACE	
9	5	21	MICHAEL SWEET BENSON 2231	MICHAEL SWEET	
10	7	31	TWILA PARIS STARSONG 8805	BEYOND A DREAM	
11	10	5	KATHY TROCCOLI REUNION 66367/RCA	KATHY TROCCOLI	
12	NE	WÞ	NEWSBOYS STARSONG 8814	GOING PUBLIC	
13	9	23	STEVE GREEN SPARROW 1334	WHERE MERCY BEGINS	
14	18	9	GARY CHAPMAN REUNION 0084/WORD	THE LIGHT INSIDE	
15	19	17	AUDIO ADRENALINE FOREFRONT 3012/STAF	SONG DON'T CENSOR ME	
16	14	23	RAY BOLTZ WORD 57868/EPIC	ALLEGIANCE	
17	12	19	PHILLIPS, CRAIG & DEAN STARSONG 8806	LIFELINE	
18	11	23	RON KENOLY INTEGRITY 055/SPARROW	GOD IS ABLE	
19	17	5	DAKODA MOTOR CO. MYRRH 6976/WORD	WELCOME RACE FANS	
20	22	39	SUSAN ASHTON SPARROW 1388	SUSAN ASHTON	
21	24	43	GEOFF MOORE & THE DISTANCE FOREFR	ONT 3011/STARSONG EVOLUTION	
22	21	43	RICH MULLINS REUNION 0087/WORD A LITURGY, A LEGA	ACY & A RAGGAMUFFIN BAND	
23	33	61	VARIOUS ARTISTS BRENTWOOD 5342 AMERICA'S 25 FAVORITE I	PRAISE & WORSHIP CHORUSES	
24	25	119	RAY BOLTZ WORD 5473	MOMENTS FOR THE HEART	
25	26	27	KIRK FRANKLIN AND THE FAMILY GOSPO-CENTRIC 2119/SPARROW	KIRK FRANKLIN & FAMILY	
26	20	19	OUT OF THE GREY SPARROW 1405	DIAMOND DAYS	
27	16	5	BRIDE STARSONG 82B3	SCARECROW MESSIAH	
28		_	SCOTT BLACKWELL N SOUL 9903	NITRO PRAISE	
29	28	107	RON KENOLY INTEGRITY 044/SPARROW LIF	T HIM UP WITH RON KENOLY	
30	36	5	DEGARMO & KEY BENSON 4014	TO EXTREMES	
31	RE-E	NTRY	KIDS CLASSICS BENSON 2218	SUNDAY SCHOOL SONGS	
32	27	13	GOSPEL GANGSTAS MYX 9460/FRONTLINE	GANG AFFILIATED	
33	39	21	CLAY CROSSE REUNION 9728/WORD	MY PLACE IS WITH YOU	
34	29	11	BENEDICTINE MONKS OF SANTO DOMING	GO DE SILOS CHANT	
35	RE-E	NTRY		THE COLLECTION	
36	+		DC TALK STARSONG 3017	REMIXES	
37	30	83	NEWSBOYS STARSONG 8251	NOT ASHAMED	
38	40	13	KIDS CLASSICS BENSON 2217	ACTION BIBLE SONGS	
39	32	13	ANDRAE CROUCH QWEST 4159/WARNER ALL	IANCE MERCY	
40	37	7	VARIOUS ARTISTS SPARROW 1434 PROMISE K	EEPERS: A LIFE THAT SHOWS	

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#### RHYTHM AND BLUES

(Continued from page 17)

G-funk vibe and pushes clever lyrical expression. The project was produced by Scoob with EZ Moe B.

Mo' HIP-HOP: Underground publication 4080 HipHop and radio show "Hip Hop Slam" (on college KUSF San Francisco) will sponsor the Bay Area HipHop Awards Sept. 25. The two-hour, broadcast ceremony will span 18 categories, and will pay homage to "the diversity and sheer depth of the hiphop culture in the Bay Area."

According to the organizers, 20,000 ballots were mailed out for the competition. A private industry barbecue for local tastemakers and award nominees will be held Sept. 24 to announce the winners . . . The Rap Music Awards will be held Aug. 31 at the Sands Expo & Convention Center in Las Vegas. The event is being organized by rapper Kurtis Blow, King Sekou Kuumba of the Zulu Entertainment Group, and Chuck Arrieta and Valeriano L. Esqueda of A.E.T. Investment Group.





by Bob Darden

NTEGRITY MUSIC recently became the latest religious label to go public, successfully offering 1.8 million shares of class A common stock—representing 34% of the fast-growing praise and worship company's outstanding shares—at \$9 per share.

Integrity president Michael Coleman says the company is "dedicated to expanding to accomplish its mission."

"With a stronger capital base, we are in a better position for sustained growth and better-equipped to serve our customers," he says.

Since 1989, Integrity's sales and earnings before interest and taxes (EBIT) have grown at annual rates of 24% and 50%, respectively. In 1993, Integrity had total revenues of \$28.9 million and an EBIT of \$4.4 million.

HE GOSPEL MUSIC ASSN. announced July 22 that the SoundScan program for gathering point-of-sale data on Christian music in Christian retail outlets, tentatively set to begin on that date, has been postponed to Sept. 1.

According Bruce Koblish, president of the GMA and executive director of the Christian Music Trade Assn., 400 stores have committed to the SoundScan program so far.

"Although we are slightly behind our original schedule, we are currently transmitting data from a sampling of stores, and there are no major obstacles in our way to have the program fully operational by Sept. 1," he says.

SoundScan's Mike Fine says the GMA's 400 stores, coupled with existing mainstream market reports, al-

ready represent more than 60% of the overall Christian music retail business.

WE DON'T USUALLY COVER books in this column, but a couple of invaluable reference books have just been released, and they're certainly worth a mention. You probably already know about "Billboard Music Yearbook 1993," compiled by the indefatigable Joel Whitburn for Record Research in Menomonee Falls, Wis. It tells us, for instance, that only six albums topped the Contemporary Christian chart last year, headed by DC Talk's 34-week run with "Free at Last." The other five were Amy Grant's "Home for Christmas" (four weeks), Michael English's "Hope" (four weeks), Sandi Patti's "Le Voyage" (four weeks), Carman's "The Standard" (two weeks), and Michael W. Smith's "The First Decade" (12 weeks).

But you may not be as familiar with the exhaustive "1994-1995 Printed Music Volume" of "Christian Music Directories." Nearly 10,000 titles have been added since the last equally formidable "Christian Music Volume," bringing the total listings to more than 160,000 titles! The directory has four cross-referenced indexes of songs and songbooks, plus an index of music publishing companies. Resource Publications Inc. of San Jose, Calif., publishes a number of these Christian music directories.

Names in the News: Steven Curtis Chapman and Lisa Bevill were among the artists participating in the National Parents Day ceremonies in Washington, D.C. Members of Congress joined Bill Cosby, Phylicia Rashad, Florence Henderson, John Forsythe, Pops Staples, Harriet Nelson, and others honored as positive role models . . . Twila Paris and husband Jack Wright were invited by astronaut Carl Wolz to watch the recent shuttle launch. Wolz told Paris that he's a big fan and listens to her release "Sanctuary" while in space.

Star Song artist Willie Davis will provide music at the

Star Song artist Willie Davis will provide music at the annual National Basketball Assn. camp Aug. 20 in Vancounver. British Columbia.

## Classical KEEPING SCORE



by Christie Barter

big GOINGS-ON OVER AT Sony Classical: Among other things, the company has signed a long-term, exclusive agreement with the British-based independent classical label Arc Of Light, headed by producer Steve Abbott in London. Abbott's other label is Big Cat Records, which since its inception four years ago has been considered a major force on Europe's alternative music scene.

Arc Of Light, devoted primarily to sacred and spiritually inspired music dating from the Middle Ages to the present, is releasing its first CD in the U.S. this month: the world-premiere recording of John Tavener's "Akathist Of Thanksgiving," a choral work he composed in 1988 for the millennial anniversary of the Russian Orthodox Church. It is performed by the Westminster Abbey Choir, the BBC Singers, and the BBC Symphony Orchestra under Martin Neary. Two countertenors, James Bowman and Timothy Wilson, are the featured soloists. Sony is putting a big push behind this one.

Also new to Sony's roster of labels is St. Petersburg Classics, to be launched next month. The repertory will focus on the musical world of the former Soviet Union, including the composers, conductors, artists, and performing groups that developed both over the years of the Soviet era and during the years since its collapse.

According to Andreas Packhauser, Sony Classical's VP for product development, "This is not just a label for Russian music. The name St. Petersburg is symbolic of the new spirit emerging, not only in Russia but in all the countries which became independent after the breakup of the Soviet Union, and St. Petersburg Classics will explore music from many different nationalities and traditions."

The first four releases under this logo, due in Sep-

tember, include a brace of Tchaikovsky quartets performed by the St. Petersburg String Quartet; an album of arias by Mussorgsky, Rimsky-Korsakov, Tchaikovsky, and others sung by tenor (and one-time Georgian soccer star) Zurab Sotkilava; a collection of Russian Orthodox choral music performed by the chamber choir called Lege Artis (By The Law Of Art); and an album titled "In Memoriam," offering works of Shostakovich, Haydn, and Hindemith played by the St. Petersburg Camarata. A second batch of five titles will follow a couple of months down the road.

On the Sony label itself, September releases include three albums by the Israel Philharmonic under Zubin Mehta—Smetana's "Ma Vlast," a pair of Prokofiev piano concertos (Nos. 2 and 4) with Yefim Bronfman as soloist, and a coupling of Bruch's "Scottish Fantasy" and the Sibelius Violin Concerto with Midori as the soloist. Also coming next month is a recording of Verdi's "Falstaff," with Juan Pons, Roberto Frontali, and Ramon Vargas, with the Orchestra della Scala under Ricardo Muti; and the home video release of "32 Short Films About Glenn Gould."

HE RELEASE NEXT MONTH by Delos International of an album containing Dvorak's "Stabat Mater" and a set of his Biblical songs marks the label debut of Zdenek Macal as musical director of the New Jersey Symphony. And it will be a continuing, exclusive relationship. The choral tracks feature the 200-voice Westminster Choir and vocal soloists Karen Erickson, Claudine Carlson, John Aler, and John Cheek. The songs, rarely available in the orchestra versions, are sung in Czech by the young German bass Manfred Hemm.

"LL BE VACATING this space in a month's time and moving on, for personal reasons. I regret having to do so after such a brief association with Billboard, but such is life. Billboard's managing editor, Ken Schlager, is spearheading the search for a successor.

## **Artists & Music**

# In the SPIRIT



by Lisa Collins

BACK ON TRACK are Phil and Brenda Nicolas, with a new album, "Fired Up," due later this month. The husband-and-wife team, known for their Christian love ballads, scored successive top 10 albums on the gospel charts in the '80s. They hope that "Fired Up" will bring them back to the top. The album, which sports a victorious spirit, holds special meaning for the couple, whose 3-year-old son, Phil Jr., has Down's syndrome. On their last album, "Back To Basics," they sang of their excitement for their then-unborn child on the single "Gonna Have A Baby." After a series of miscarriages, the couple proclaimed the baby their "miracle child." (An older daughter, Jennifer, is 14.) Then, three months after his birth, doctors diagnosed Phil Jr. with Down's syndrome. "Brenda was shaken to the core," Phil says. Out of that experience came the song "Dents In Your Armor (God Will See It Through)," featured on the new album.

The couple, which co-owns and operates the Los Angeles-based label Command Records, admits that a lot is riding on the project. "This is the one that might put us back up there," Phil says. "Most of all, we wrote it from the heart. We've been through some trials and tribulations, but we're coming back out fired up, and we're still believing God for a miracle."

GREAT EXPECTATIONS are what Tramaine Hawkins will have to contend with when her long-

awaited and highly touted Columbia Records debut bows next month. The album, "To A Higher Place," ships in mid-September. A promotional campaign kicked off Aug. 13 in Atlanta, with Hawkins scheduled to perform a cut or two off the new album to an audience of gospel announcers at the 27th annual Gospel Music Workshop of America.

EVERYBODY IS STILL TALKING ABOUT the electrifying performance put on by Andrae Crouch at Bobby Jones' "Youth Explosion" last month in Nashville. Word is that Jones just might put a rush on editing and airing Crouch's extended performance. Highlights of the segment included Crouch performing some requested favorites by John P. Kee and Vanessa Bell-Armstrong, who joined him onstage. Crouch also gave a soul-stirring testimony about his own personal challenges and some stern advice to those considering a career in gospel ... Meanwhile, Kee recently finished recording a project with his Inner City Mass Choir and is shopping a deal. He soon will work on several cuts for Armstrong's upcoming album, which will be recorded live in a church setting. Crouch is among those in talks to produce the album.

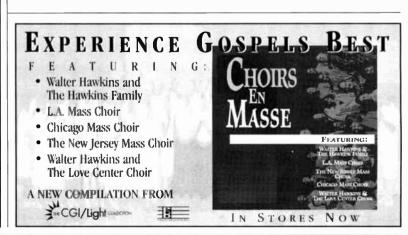
JUST BRIEFLY: The United Gospel Industry Council has elected Teresa Hairston as its new president. Hairston, who held staff jobs at Savoy Records and Benson Music, is the publisher of Score magazine. (She expects a full house this weekend in Nashville as Score celebrates its fifth anniversary. Among those expected to take part in a star-studded anniversary concert are Kirk Franklin & the Family, Hezekian Walker, James Moore, Daryl Coley, and Yolanda Adams) ... Donald Lawrence is ready to record the second set for his Tri-City Singers on Oct. 8, live at Heritage U.S.A. The theme will be "Bible Stories" from an ethnic perspective.



## Top Gospel Albums...

THIS WEEK	WKS. AGO	S. ON	Compiled from a national sample of retail store and one-stop sales reports.  ARTIST  TITLE
Ξ	2 V	WKS.	LABEL & NUMBER/DISTRIBUTING LABEL
1	1	61	★ NO. 1 ★ ★ MISSISSIPPI MASS CHOIR MALACO 6013 45 weeks at No. 1 IT REMAINS TO BE SEEN
2	2	57	KIRK FRANKLIN AND THE FAMILY GOSPO-CENTRIC 2119/SPARROW KIRK FRANKLIN & FAMILY
3	3	17	BISHOP NORMAN L. WAGNER/MT. CALVARY CONCERT CHOIR WORD 57869/EPIC EXCELLENT
4	4	15	JOHN P. KEE VERITY 43009 COLORBLING
5	7	9	HEZEKIAH WALKER/FELLOWSHIP CRUSADE CHOIR BENSON 4006/CGI LIVE IN ATLANTA AT MOREHOUSE COLLEGI
6	5	39	REV. JAMES MOORE MALACO 6015 I WILL TRUST IN THE LORE
7	6	37	RUDOLPH STANFIELD & NEW REVELATION SOUND OF GOSPEL 211 LIVE AND IN PRAISE I
8	8	39	YOLANDA ADAMS TRIBUTE 3937 SAVE THE WORLD
9	13	5	L.A. MASS CHOIR CGI 1083 I SHALL NOT BE DEFEATED
10	14	7	EDWIN HAWKINS FIXIT 9124/INTERSOUND KINGS & KINGDOMS
11	10	13	SOUNDS OF BLACKNESS PERSPECTIVE 9006 AFRICA TO AMERICA: THE JOURNEY OF THE DRUM
12	9	19	DARYL COLEY SPARROW 51390 IN MY DREAMS
13	11	19	THE CLARK SISTERS SPARROW 51368 MIRACLES
14	16	15	CALVIN BERNARD RHONE CGI 1092 LIVE I'M A WINNER
15	19	65	THE CANTON SPIRITUALS BLACKBERRY 1600/MALACO LIVE IN MEMPHIS
16	21	7	TIMOTHY WRIGHT AND THE N.Y. FELLOWSHIP MASS CHOIR SAVOY 7113/MALACO COME THOU ALMIGHTY KING
17	12	41	SHIRLEY CAESAR WORD 57464/EPIC STAND STILL
18	15	35	LASHUN PACE SAVOY 14814/MALACO SHEKINAH GLORY CHICAGO COMMUNITY CHOIR WE GIVE YOU PRAISE
19	17	23	AMBASSADOR 47005/REDEMPTION WE GIVE TOO FRAISI
20	36	3	MALACO 4467 "LIVE" WITH THE GEORGIA MASS CHOIF
21	22	9	HEAVEN SENT INTERSOUND 9119 CLOSEST FRIENDS
22	34	3	TAKE 6 WARNER ALLIANCE 4150/SPARROW JOIN THE BANG
23	26	13	GMWA WOMEN OF WORSHIP ALEHO INT'L MUSIC 3006 IT'S OUR TIME LAWRENCE MATTHEWS & FRIENDS
24	18	21	GOSPO-CENTRIC 2118/SPARROW LAWRENCE MATTHEWS & FRIENDS
25 26	20	5	RON KENOLY INTEGRITY 055/SPARROW GOD IS ABLE
26	24	19	ANDRAE CROUCH QWEST 4159/WARNER ALLIANCE MERC'S BISHOP BILLY ROBINSON & THE GARDEN OF PRAYER CATHEDRAL CHOIR
27	29	7	VECTRON 19502 KEEP THE FAITH WILLIE NEAL JOHNSON AND THE NEW KEYNOTES
28	25	5	MALACO 6017 LORDTAKE US THROUGH
29 30	35 27	39	VARIOUS ARTISTS BLACKBERRY 1605/MALACO SONGS MAMA USED TO SINC  DOTTIE JONES BELLMARK 77005 ON MY OWN
31	-	W▶	THE WILLIAMS BROTHERS BLACKBERRY 1606/MALACO IN THIS PLACE
32	23	23	COMMISSIONED BENSON 1078/CGI MATTERS OF THE HEAR
33	37	37	BISHOP PAUL S. MORTON, SR. & GREATER ST. STEPHEN MASS CHOIR
34	+		BLACKBERRY 1603/MALACO WE OFFER CHRIS  NORTH CAROLINA MASS CHOIR
	30	21	LET'S MAGNIFY THE LORG
35	31	39	ATLANTA INT'L 10195 NOTHING CAN BE BETTER  GREATER EMMANUEL MASS CHOIR
36	32	11	THE SUN WILL SHINE AGIAN WILMINGTON CHESTER MASS CHOIR
37	-	W►	ATLANTA INT'L 10199 THE CHANGE WILL COM
38	38	3	WANDA NERO BUTLER SOUND OF GOSPEL 205 CHIKE ANYABWILLI
39	28	37	CHICAGO MASS CHOIR CGI 1074 PLEASE DON'T LEAVE MI DOTTIE PEOPLES & THE PEOPLES CHOICE CHORALE
40	33	59	ATLANTA INT'L 10187 LIVI

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by John Lannert

DON'T CRY FOR DANNY: The long-dominant Argentinian concert promoter Daniel Grinbank says the hectic North American tour slate this summer has all but frozen his winter schedule in the Far South (Argentina, Chile, Uruguay, and Paraguay). Grinbank notes that a slowing Argentinian economy is adding further chill to the concert activity, but insists that prospects will greatly improve in

"It's cyclical," says the Buenos Aires-based Grinbank with avuncular confidence. "Last year, only the Grateful Dead was doing outdoor stadiums in North America, and this year there are a lot of stadium tours up there. Last year we did Bon Jovi, Peter Gabriel, Madonna, Michael Jackson, and Paul McCartney. This year is slower than '93, but in '95 we are planning to do the Rolling Stones and Guns N' Roses, so it will pick up."

MISCELLANEA: Actor/singer and recent Panamanian presidential hopeful Rubén Blades returns to the musical fore with a concert; he is scheduled to perform Aug. 20 at the Lehman Center for the Performing Arts in New York Ex-Banda Beijo vocalist Netinho has nabbed a gold record in Brazil with his infectious samba/reggae debut, "Um Beijo Pra Você" (PolyGram) . . . Due Aug. 30 on Corason/Rounder is "Casa De La Trova, Santiago De Cuba," a compilation of old-line trova sounds featuring the legendary Cuarteto Patria. Also set to ship Sept. 6 on Rounder

is "Son Jarocho" by Veracruz harpist Graciena Silvabetter known as "La Negra Graciena."

 $oldsymbol{\mathsf{C}}_{ ext{HART}}$  NOTES: While Jon Secada's "Si Te Vas" (SBK/ EMI Latin) holds tight to the top rung on the Hot Latin Tracks chart for a second week, expect Juan Gabriel's Ariola/BMG entry "Pero Que Necesidad" (3-2) or Ricardo Montaner's EMI Latin ballad "Quisiera" (2-3) to assume the No. 1 slot next week.

Elsewhere in the top 10, Juan Luis Guerra 440's "La Cosquillita" (Karen, BMG) moves smartly 12-7, while "Bidi Bidi Bom Bom" (EMI Latin), Selena's follow-up to her recent chart-topper "Amor Prohibido," rockets 30-8. Julio Iglesias' "Crazy" (Sony), up two notches to No. 9, becomes the first English-language track to reach the top 10 on Hot Latin Tracks. Meanwhile, Luis Miguel's "El Dia Que Me Quieras," taken from his forthcoming WEA Latina album "Segundo Romance." notches the highest debut of the year, coming in at No. 10.

Other tracks ascending swiftly are Los Fantasmas Del Caribe's Rodven entry "Celina" (20-11) and Vicente Fer-nández' Sony single "Miséria" (22-14). Ednita Nazario's "Te Sigo Esperando," taken from her just-released EMI Latin album "Pasiones," bows strongly at No. 20. The Barrio Boyzz' "Una Noche De Amor" (EMI Latin) registering the week's biggest downward spiral, dropping 32-8.

There's little movement in the top 10 on the Billboard Latin 50, meanwhile, except for Carlos Vives' "Clásicos De La Provincia" (PolyGram Latino), which moves dramatically 16-10. "Clásicos" is the first top 10 album for both Vives and PolyGram. Fewer than 100 points separate Gloria Estefan's "Mi Tierra" (Sony/Epic) from Selena's "Amor Prohibido" (EMI Latin).





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1	1_	59	GLORIA ESTEFAN ▲ EPIC 53807/SONY 5	66 weeks at No. 1 MI TIERRA
2	2	20	SELENA EMI LATIN 78803	AMOR PROHIBIDO
3	3	8	RAUL DI BLASIO ARIOLA NEM B.1G	PIANO DE AMERICA 2
4	4	3	JUAN LUIS GUERRA 440 KAREN 211101	BMG FOGARATE
5	6	39	GIPSY KINGS ELEKTRA MUSICIAN 61 THEL	ERTRA LOVE & LIBERTE
6	8	18	LA MAFIA SONY 81215	VIDA
7	5	6	JON SECADA SBK - 96 STEMILATIN	SI TE VAS
8	7	6	JUAN GABRIEL ARIOLA 2189H BMG	GRACIAS POR ESPERAR
9	9	59	MANA WEA LATINA 90818	DONDE JUGARAN LOS NINOS
			* * * GREATEST	
(10)	16	14	CARLOS VIVES POLYGRAM LATING 518 884	
11	10	59	GIPSY KINGS • FLEKTRA ( )	GIPSY KINGS
12	11	59	LUIS MIGUEL • & EA LATINA	ROMANCE
13	12	59	SOUNDTRACK ELEKTRA 961240	THE MAMBO KINGS
(14)	24	3	VICENTE FERNANDEZ 10NY 81321	RECORDANDO A LOS PANCHOS
(15)	15	12	LOS TIGRES DEL NORTE FONDVISA (1)17	LOS DOS PLEBES
16	13	36	BRONCO FONOVISA 6015	PURA SANGRE
17	14	50	M. A. SOLIS Y LOS BUKIS • FEROMEA (	INALCANZABLE
18	23	26	LOS TEMERARIOS AFTERNALISM	TU ULTIMA CANCION
19	20	59	LINDA RONSTADT ▲ ELEKTRA 60765	CANCIONES DE MI PADRE
20	21	41	JERRY RIVERA	CARA DE NINO
21	22	59	JULIO IGLESIAS A SONY 38640	JULIO
(22)	36	8	LUCERO MELODY 9162 FONOVISA	CARINO DE MIS CARINOS
23	19	3	CACHAO CRESCENT NOON (4320 SONY	MASTER SESSIONS VOL. 1
24	26	59	GIPSY KINGS ELEKTRA 61390	LIVE!
25	18	6	RICARDO MONTANER EMI LATIN 29336	UNA MANANA Y UN CAMINO
26	25	59	LUIS MIGUEL WEA LATINA 92993	ARIES
27	17	5	LOS FUGITIVOS RODVEN 3112	TE CONQUISTARE
28	28	12	LOS FUGITIVOS RODVEN 3051	VANIDOSA
29	27	59	GIPSY KINGS ELEKTRA (0892	MOSAIQUE
(30)	32	24	BANDA MACHOS FO IOVISA 6/11	LOS MACHOS TAMBIEN LLORAN
31	30	8	VARIOUS ARTISTS SONY 81304	SALSA MAGIC
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(33)	43	2	ROBERTO PULIDO Y LOS CLASICOS E	MI LATIN 28/28 3 TE VI PARTIR
(34)	37	50	EMILIO NAVAIRA EMI LATIN 42348	SOUTHERN EXPOSURE
35	33	28	LIBERACION FONOVISA 1-114	LIBERACION
36	29	59	SELENA EMI LATIN 4, 770	LIVE!
37	35	38	MAZZ EMILATIN 27738	QUE ESPERABAS
(38)	42	3	ALEJANDRO FERNANDEZ SONY 81310	GRANDES EXITOS A LA MANERA
(39)	41	12	LOS FANTASMAS DEL CARIBE RODVEN	3 9c MAS Y MAS
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41	34	18	MANA WEA LATINA 72173	FALTA AMOR
(42)	RE-E	NTRY	GARY HOBBS EMILATIN 17412	TE VAS A ACORDAR
43	38	43	VICENTE FERNANDEZ ONY 81070	LASTIMA QUE SEAS AJENA
44	39	32	EROS RAMAZZOTTI ARI ITA 14742 BMG	TODO HISTORIAS
45	44	58	SELENA EMILATIN	ENTRE A MI MUNDO
(46)	RE-ENTRY		REY RUIZ SONY 81185	MI MEDIA MITAD
47	49	31	LOS PALOMINOS SONY 81174	CORAZON DE CRISTAL
48	48	4	TONY VEGA RAMA BOOK Y	SI ME MIRAS A LOS OJOS
49	RE-ENTRY		V. FERNANDEZ/R. AYALA SONY 80628	ARRIBA EL NORTE
50	RE-ENTRY		LA SOMBRA FONOVISA 9157	CALIENTE DULCE AMOR
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- 1 RAUL DI BLASIO ARIOLA BMG
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- 9 LUIS MIGUEL WEA LATINA
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- 14 LUIS MIGUEL WEA LATINA
- 15 GIPSY KINGS ELEKTRA

- 1 GLORIA ESTEFAN EPIC SONS
- 2 JUAN LUIS GUERRA 440
- 3 SOUNDTRACK ELEKTRA
- 4 JERRY RIVERA SONY
- 5 CACHAO PRESCENT MOON
- 6 VARIOUS ARTISTS SONY
- 7 EL GENERAL RCA BMG
- 8 REY RUIZ SONY 9 TONY VEGA RMM SONY
- 10 VARIOUS ARTISTS RODVEN
- MERENGUE EN LA CALLE : 11 MARC ANTHONY RMM OTRA MOTE
- 12 OLGA TANON WEA LATINA
- 13 JERRY RIVERA SONY
- 14 JUAN LUIS GUERRA 440
- 15 VARIOUS ARTISTS RMM

- **REGIONAL MEXICAN** 1 SELENA EMILATIN
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- 5 LOS TEMERARIOS AFG
- 6 LINDA RONSTADT ELEKTRA
- 7 LUCERO MELIDAL FONOVISA
- 8 LOS FUGITIVOS RODVEN
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- 10 BANDA MACHOS FONOVISA LOS ACHO TAMBIEN LLORAN 11 LA TROPA F LA NY WEA
- 12 ROBERTO PULIDO EMI LATIN
- 13 EMILIO NAVAIRA EMI LATIN
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- 15 SELENA EMI LATIN LIVE
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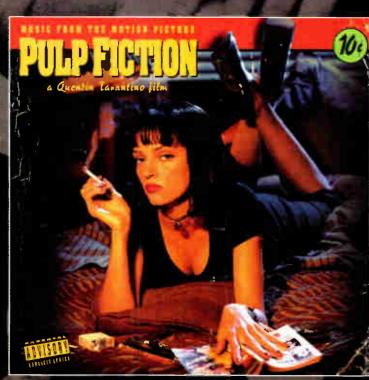
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