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WHO IN THE WORLD



Norman Racusin, New Head of RCA (Label Finishing Biggest Year), Gives 1st Interview Since Promotion On Page 6 of This Issue. In the opinion of the editors, this week the following records are the

SINGLE PICKS OF THE WEEK



BAY TRIPPER

Committee of the committee

Terrific beat gets rolling on the new James Brown release. Guy throws himself into his "Bring It Up" ditty and the kids will turn out by the thousands (King

BRING IT UP
(1.8 rown-H.Janes)
JAMES BROWN &
THE FAMOUS FLAMES

Ramsey Lewis gives "Day Tripper," the Lennon McCartney opus, a breezy once-over. It's dancetime for the guy and sales will accrue in no time flat (Cadet 5553)

SLEEPERS OF THE WEEK



DANGEN GRES A PROMISE AND THE PART STANDS AND

AS-16982

AS-169

Bobby Vinton produced this new instrumental, "Bodacious" by the Satellites and the outcome was simply bodacious. It's a groovy number teens will like (Parrot 313).

Sweet and lilting ballad with contemporary arrangement by the climbing Stairsteps. The group's ''Danger! She's a Stranger'' should end up charthigh (Windy C 604).

A big new sound on the scene is the Charles Randolph Grean Sounde. The tune is the Prokofieff "Peter and the Wolf" theme and a raunchily attractive cut it is (Dot 16982).

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ALBUMS OF THE



The Artistics seem to have a terrific time performing, and the enthusiasm spills over into the grooves. The click, "I'm Gonna Miss You," "Sweeter Than Sugar," "I'll Always Love You," others pace the package. A mover (Brunswick BL 54123; 754123)



Buck Owens and the Buckaroos put together 12 nifties on this new package. They can't miss with their waxings of "Open Up Your Heart," "A Devil Like Me (Needs an Angel Like You)," "Waitin' in Your Welfare Line," "Think of Me" (Capitol T/ST 2640)



Nancy Wilson is in absolute top form on this package (and in cover photo as well). She strikes up an r/b beat and wails a few with jazz overtones. "Nancy—Naturally" includes "In the Dark," "Since I Fell for You," "My Babe" (Capitol T/ST 2634).

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EPIC Swings into '67 with hits in all categories

Jane Morgan "Kiss Tomorrow Goodbye" 5-10113

The Dave Clark Five "I've Got to Have a Reason" 5-10114

David Houston "A Loser's Cathedral"









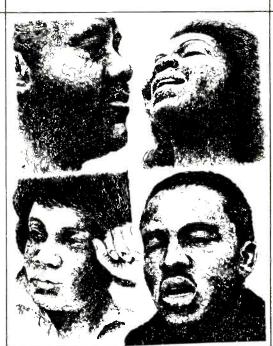
Keith Relf

"Shapes in my Mind"

of The AFE STES









Damita Jo "If You Go Away" 5-10061

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Bob Morgan Exec Producer, A&R, at MGM Records

President, Mort L. Nasatir, announced that Bob Morgan has been appointed Exec Producer, A&R Operations, for the label. Morgan, who recently left Columbia Records as Director of A&R with that label's Epic and Okeh subsidiaries, joins the MGM executive staff immediately.

As Director of A&R Operations, Morgan will be responsible for all album and singles product produced by MGM and independent producers. He will supervise concept and planning for all MGM/Verve artists and be active in the acquisitions of new talent and masters. In addition, he will also produce specific albums and artists for the label.

Morgan comes to MGM from eight years of service with the Columbia organization. For the past three years he has been responsible for all popular product and A&R producers with Epic. In his four years





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Bob Morgan

with the Epic and Okeh wing, Morgan played a vital role in building it into a significant contributor to the overall Columbia Records group profit.

Discovered, Recorded Many

In his tenure with Columbia and Epic, Morgan was responsible for discovering many name acts which he recorded. They include the Dave Clark Five. the Yardbirds, the Brothers Four, the Clancy Brothers and Tommy Makem, Damita Jo and Enzo Stuarti.

He produced all of the Bobby Vinton Epic hits, including "Roses are Red" and "Mr. Lonely," and was responsible for the Brothers Four hit of "Greenfields." He also made singles and albums by George Maharis, Jerry Vale, Bobby Hackett, Jimmy Dean, Cliff Richard, Godfrey Cambridge and Buddy Greco, among others.

Epic Meets Jan. 8, Fla.

Epic Records will hold a National Sales Meeting from Jan. 8 to 12 in Miami Beach, Fla., according to an announcement by Mort Hoffman, the label's Director of Marketing. All distrib principals and/or distributor sales managers and promotion managers will attend.

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Turoff Replaces Zaleski at Kapp

HOLLYWOOD - Joe Zaleski has announced his resignation from Kapp Records, where he held the position of General Manager, Western Division. He will be replaced on Jan. 1 by Mel Turoff, formerly National Promotion Manager for United

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Mayhew JFK Book, Oswald Album Out

Alleged Assassin's Interview On Wax

By DOUG McCLELLAND

NEW YORK-The hectic pace of the holiday season is not likely to abate for John F. Kennedy buff Aubrey Mayhew, also manager of Little Darlin' Records' country songster Johnny Pavcheck.

Mayhew's impressive book, "The World's Tribute to John Kennedy in Medallic Art" (William Morrow & Co., New York, \$12.95), is just out; and "Lee Harvey Oswald Speaks!," the LP he produced for the new Truth Records (distributed by Audio Fidelity Records), is being released Tuesday, Dec. 27.

The album, Mayhew told Record World last week, is expected to garner both heavy sales and controversy. With the Kennedy clan finding itself new headlines of late, the package's appearance is most timely, as is the book's.

The material was discovered by Mayhew and consists of a 40-minute taped interview with Oswald on a New Orleans radio station. The interview was conducted by local disk jockey William K. Stuckey and broadcast on Aug. 17, 1963, three months before President Kennedy's assassination. Stuckey had been doing a series on Latin American affairs, and Oswald reportedly discoursed on the Cuban crisis of the day.

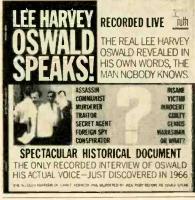
Oswald Speaks

According to the Truth Records (formed by Mayhew and Audio Fidelity just for this release) album cover, the package is "The only recorded interview of Oswald - his ac-



Aubrey Mayhew

Listening to Oswald Album



tual voice - just discovered in 1966.

Mayhew went on: "The interview shows Oswald to be an astute and calculating individual-not the idiot many made him sound after the President's assassination."

To hawk as well as herald the album's coming (and, no doubt, also to mention the arrival of his Kennedy book), Mayhew is taking on plenty of interviews. On Dec. 27, he is scheduled to do the "Today" TVer in the morning, newspaper, wire service and magazine interviews in the afternoon and to visit with CBS news in the evening.

And that's only the first day.

Walt Disney Music Co. Releasing Commemorative LP from Disney Pix

Proceeds To Cal Institute

The Walt Disney Music Co. has announced that early in January it will release a commemorative album of music from the late producer's films of the past three decades called "The Music of Walt Disney."

The decision to issue the package, a non-commercial entry with all profits to the California Institute of the Arts, was made after much soulsearching, it was learned last week; and plans were only consummated after word came that several other labels were going to come out with budget album commemorations.

'Snow White' to 'Mary Poppins'

The official Disney package will offer music from features from "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs" to "Mary Poppins," in great part from

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DECCA and CORAL SWING INTO THE





BRENDA LEE

Sings

"RIDE, RIDE, RIDE"

"LONELY PEOPLE DO FOOLISH THINGS"

DECCA 32079

BURL IVES

Sings

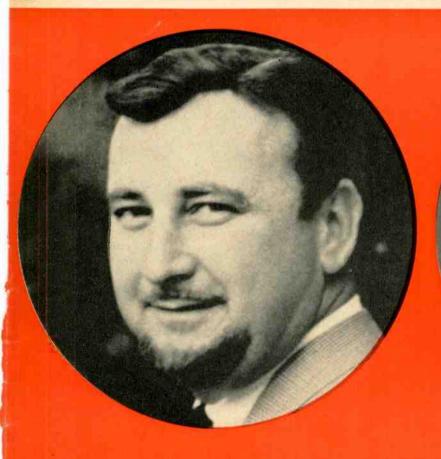
"LONESOME 7-7203" c/w

"HOLLOW WORDS"



32078

NEW YEAR WITH 4 BIG NEW HITS!





PETE FOUNTAIN

Plays

"OVER THE WAVES"

c/w

"FOUNTAIN IN THE RAIN"

CORAL 65606

BILL ANDERSON

Sings

"GET WHILE THE GETTIN'S GOOD"

C/W

"SOMETHING TO BELIEVE IN"



32077

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Racusin Takes Over at RCA As Label's 'Biggest Year' Closes

By DAVE FINKLE

NEW YORK—The succession of Norman Racusin to the post of Division Vice-President and General Manager, RCA Victor Records effective Jan. 1, following George R. Marek, is taking place at the end of the diskery's "biggest year," according to Racusin, and during one of the company's most active periods (for instance, the Colgems-RCA distributed Monkees have been topping both the singles and album charts recently.)

For that reason, when Record World talked with the new execelect last week, it was not surprising to learn that Racusin planned no major policy changes at present. Why should

But. . . .

After More, Better Ways

Racusin did have this to say to indicate the challenge he was setting himself in his new post: "The record business hasn't begun to scratch the surface where sales are concerned. Thre are between 25 and 40 million players out there. Why should we get excited when a record sells a million? With something like 'The Sound of Music' soundtrack, you're getting somewhere. Why can't we do that more often? There must be more and better ways to get to the people."

In discussing more specifically current and pending company activity, Racusin said that the company has a couple of new acts to uncork shortly who could be receiving the RCA push—that high-powered of all measures that recently accompanied the Monkees' entrance into the record world.



NINA SIMONE SIGNING — Left to right: J. D'Imperio, Division VP, Product and Talent Development; Norman Racusin, Division VP and newly appointed General Manager; Ernie Altschuler, Division VP and Executive Producer; and Danny Davis, Manager, Popular A & R Producer. Seated is songstress Nina Simone, just signed to a long-term RCA recording contract.

He noted that, as trade stories have had it, the company is looking into the publishing field, although with no definite plans so far.

'Sherry' Next Caster

The next Broadway caster from RCA is "Sherry," the adaptation of "The Man Who Came to Dinner," starring George Sanders. Racusin seemed anxious to place that score alongside company's first caster release of the year "I Do! I Do!," with Mary Martin and Robert Preston, just out and promising to be a big seller.

Racusin reiterated that RCA would continue and even step up its teen market projects, which have grown significantly in the last year.

Sales Pass Ethnic Barriers

One area Racusin cited as only just starting to show its

potential is the international product on the domestic scene. He said that whereas international releases always sell reassuringly as expected in ethnic markets, he has noticed recently that sales seem to be extending beyond ethnic barriers.

To close, Record World asked Racusin what he thought was wrong with the record business. And Racusin answered paradoxically, "What's wrong with the record business is what's right with it. It's uncertain. It has bulges and valleys. It's a new business every day of the week. You cut a record on Tuesday, release it Thursday and all of a sudden the business has changed. You could have a big hit or a lot of compound to eat. But that's the excitement."

Caedmon's Carl

Carl Sandburg reading from his autobiography, "Always The Young Strangers," has just been released by Caedmon Records as an album.

Stones' Pic Closer: Klein

The Rolling Stones' motion picture, "Only Lovers Left Alive," is expected to go before the cameras within the "next very few months," according to Allen Klein, business manager of the group. Vigorously denying the recently reported "mystery" about the Stones' movie plans, Klein declared, "We have had some problems with the screenplay, but these are the only problems we've ever had and they are now being sorted out."

"We have signed contracts and have already been advanced 90,000 pounds," Klein continued. "Does that sound as though there was any doubt about the picture?" Last week, Klein received 80 pages of script material from writers Keith Waterhouse and Willis Hall, who are currently at work on the screen adaptation of the Dave Wallace novel on which the picture will be based.

"We hope to have the second completed draft of the screenplay by Christmas," Klein said. "The pages are coming to us by airmail as they are completed. As soon as we have a finished script, we'll set out the production schedule. We firmly expect filming to start within the next few months."

Heliodor Changes

NEW YORK—MGM Heliodor producer Richard de Costa has announced his resignation from the classical label. De Costa, who has been supervisor of the budget line since its inception, is leaving to become manager of the American Wind Symphony Orchestra in Pittsburgh immediately after the first of the year.

Jerry Schoenbaum, MGM's classical division chief, has named Philip Fradkin as successor to the post. Fradkin previously had been Assistant Musical Director with Westminster Records.

Disney Album

(Continued from page 3) original sound tracks and including three Oscar-winning tunes.

The California Institute of the Arts is a unique college, international in scope, where all the Arts, Design, Theatre, Motion Pictures, Fine Arts and Music, flourish together.

Walt Disney once said of Cal-Arts: "It's the principal thing that I hope to leave when I move on to greener pastures. If I can provide a place to develop talent for the future, I think I will have accomplished something"

Turoff, Zaleski

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Artists Records in New York.

Zaleski stated that his decision to terminate his association with Kapp was based on "personal considerations." He stressed that his relationship with other top-level company executives had been and continues to be most amicable. He also stated that he will announce his new plans in the near future.

Zaleski joined Kapp two years ago as Manager of Distributor Sales. In May of this year he was promoted to General Manager, Western Division, in which position he was responsible for sales, promotion, publishing and artist relations on the West Coast. He also set up Kapp's Coast office at 6725 Sunset Blvd.

Epic Meeting

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Highlights of the sales meeting will be the unveiling of a new sales incentive program, as well as major new merchandising campaigns. The label's product scheduled for January and February release will be announced. In addition, seminars in the areas of sales and merchandising will be held.

Capitol is Releasing JFK 'Controversy' LP Jan. 6

Livingston To NY Press Meet

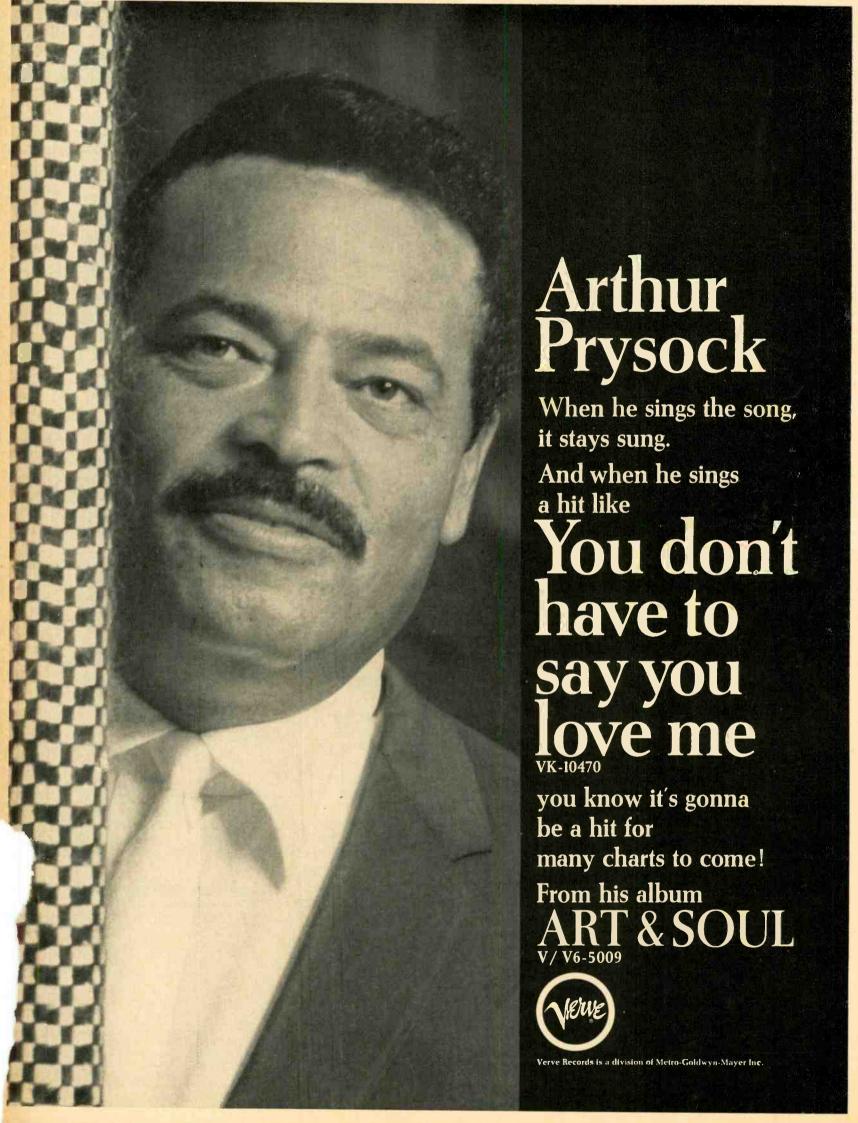
HOLLYWOOD — Recordings of national significance will be previewed at a press conference to be held by Capitol Records, Inc. on Tuesday, Jan. 3, 1967, at New York's Americana Hotel.

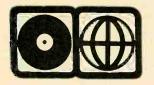
Purpose of the conference will be to announce release of a new Capitol album entitled "The Controversy," an in-depth audio study of the late President's assassination, the Warren Report and the subsequent controversy.

Presiding at the conference will be Alan W. Livingston, President, Capitol Records, Inc.

According to Livingston, the new album, which is being released in the label's "Probe" documentary/news series, contains a number of news "firsts" not previously presented via other communications media,

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SINGLESREVIEWS

I WISH YOU COULD BE HERE (Charing Cross, BMI) THE VISIT (SHE WAS HERE)

THE CYRKLE—Columbia 4-43965.

A pretty tune here, produced and arranged by John Simon, Moody and swingy song will sell.

JUST LET IT HAPPEN (Blackwood, BMI)
DREAMER GIRL (Kati Kris, BMI)

THE ARBORS—Date 1546.

Harmoniously arranged new tune from Chip Taylor should be the number two big one for them.

THE BELOW AVERAGE EVERYDAY GIRL (Cramart, BMI)

I'VE GOT TO HAVE YOU (Rising Sons, BMI)

BILLY SWAN—Monument 988.

Above average side that couldn't sound prettier. Its message is arresting, too. Will sell.

OH BABY MINE (I GET SO LONELY)

(Melrose, ASCAP)

SID'S LID (Borscht, BMI)

THE GoZOO BAND—Go Go 00101.

Honky tonky version of the oldie will mean sales at the counter. Goodtime singing.

SOFTLY, AS I LEAVE YOU (Miller, ASCAP)
WHAT'S GOOD ABOUT GOODBYE
(Harwin, ASCAP)

EYDIE GORME—Columbia 4-43971.

A beautiful reading from Eydie on this minor classic ballad. An attention getter.

I'M MOVIN' OUT (Tamarin, ASCAP)
GONNA TELL YOUR MOMMA (Tamarin, ASCAP)
URBIE GREEN AND HIS ORCHESTRA—
Decca 32064.

Jazzy, spritely instrumental Urbie and his men jive through. MB produced the happy wax.

NIGHTMARE (S.P.R.-Femme, BMI)
LET NO ONE COME BETWEEN US
(Noma-Femme, BMI)

THE WHYTE BOOTS—Philips 40422.

An innocent fight between school girls over a boy turns to tragedy on this dialog-singing deck. Well done.

PEPPERONI KID (Far-Mel-Ridge, BMI) LITTLE RED SCOOTER (Ridge, BMI)

PAT COOPER— United Artists 50113.

Saga of a pool-playing guy who uses a pepperoni. Way out and very funny.

STRANGE FACES (Pulsation, BMI)
SOFTLY (I SAY TO YOU) (Pulsation, BMI)
THE AVENGERS—American 101.

Contemporary teen item with sturdy shuffle beat and interesting arrangement. Could go.

FOUR STAR *** PICKS

MY BEST FRIEND (After You, BMI) HOW DO YOU FEEL (Black Hawk, BMI) JEFFERSON AIRPLANE— RCA Victor 47-9063.

Swingly little ditty by very popular West coast group. Sweet and sentimental.

GIRL DON'T MAKE ME WAIT
(Double Diamond, BMI)
ALWAYS IN THE WRONG PLACE
(Double Diamond, BMI)

BUNNY SIGLER—Parkway 123.

The beat rolls on here as Bunny asks his girl to come back. Teens will love it.

YOU HAVEN'T LIVED (TILL YOU'VE LOVED SOMEONE) (Camerillo-Parasonic, BMI) SILHOUETTED SUMMER DREAM (Camerillo-Parasonic, BMI)

GROUP THERAPY—Parasonic 048.

Jaunty song with old-time flavor. The new group make things jump with their verve. Watch.

JUST A GIGOLO (DeSylva, Brown, ASCAP)
WHERE'S MY PUSSYCAT (Champion, BMI)
TERRY AND THE TOPICS—Coral 62509.

The oldie spruced up for '66-'67 dancing action. A little bit of "I Ain't Got Nobody" here, too.

UNTIL TODÂY (Ĉhurchill, BMI)
NOW I KNOW THE FEELING (Duchess, BMI)
VIKKI CARR—Liberty 55937.

Lovely ballad from joyful new musical, "A Joyful Noise." Vikki warbles sweetly.

I'M A MAN (Papa Don-Sunalee, BMI)
GEORGIA PINES (Unart Shu-fin, BMI)
MIGHTY SAM—Amy 973.

This guy is putting together a terrific track record and he's got more sales potential here. Hot r/b.

BUSY BODY (Lowery, BMI)

CAUGHT YOU REDHANDED (Pulsation, BMI)

JOLLY GREEN GIANTS—Redcoat 101.

Lots of dancing good fun on this hip and lively side. Guys swing through it for sales.

LONELY CITY BLUE BOY (C. Connelley, BMI)

JUST BEING YOUR BABY (Hunter, ASCAP)

CINDY COLE—Tower 302.

Here's a pretty song Cindy does nicely and with just enough snappy tone to sell it.

WILD, WILD ROSES
(United Artists-Pavanne, ASCAP)
NOBODY LOVES A LOSER
(United Artists, ASCAP)

KAREN SUE—United Artists 50088.

Wailing new gal on an upbeat love ode that could appeal to kids by the dozens of hundreds. FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH
(STOP, HEY WHAT'S THAT SOUND)
(Ten East-Springalo-Cotillion, BMI)

DO I HAVE TO COME RIGHT OUT AND SAY IT
(Ten East-Springalo-Cotillion, BMI)

THE BUFFALO SPRINGFIELDS—

A rocker which probes the social significance of the Sunset Strip curfew. Magnetic beat.

Atco 6459.

SWEET THANG (Su-Ma-Stuckey, BMI)
TIMES GONE BY (Tapier, BMI)
FRANKIE AND JOHNNY—IA 112.

Recent country click could get even bigger pop reaction with this new version.

YOU CAN'T BE TRUE (Vandanburg, BMI)
IT'S A CRY'N SHAME (Vandanburg, BMI)
THE GENTLEMEN—Vandan 8303.

Moody teen love ballad with striking arrangement. Group chants it and will sell it.

SPANISH FLEA (Almo, ASCAP)
THAT WASN'T NO GIRL (April, ASCAP)
SOUPY SALES—Capitol 5752.

The lovable Soupy tells the story of that famous "Spanish Flea." A big contender.

LOVE IS (Flanka, ASCAP)
TOMORROW MAY BE TOO LATE
(Flanka-Halben, ASCAP)
THE CLASSELS—Main Line 1262.

The old French song "Alouette" with new lyrics about love. Lots of good fun here.

HIDIN' MY LOVE (Pronto-Loucarl, BMI)
I'VE GOT TROUBLES (Pronto-Loucarl, BMI)
AESOPS FABLES—Acco 6453.

Sweetly swung ballad that has a good moral: good records will sell. And this is one.

EVERYBODY'S LAUGHING

(Summerwind-Champion, BMI)
WHO'S TO SAY (Summerwind-Champion, BMI)
CHIP AND DAVE TRIO—Decca 32073.

Happytime tune with irrestible accompaniment. The trio seems likely to hit.

THE GREAT NAME DROPPER (PART I)

(Resistance-Aim, BMI)

THE GREAT NAME DROPPER (PART II)

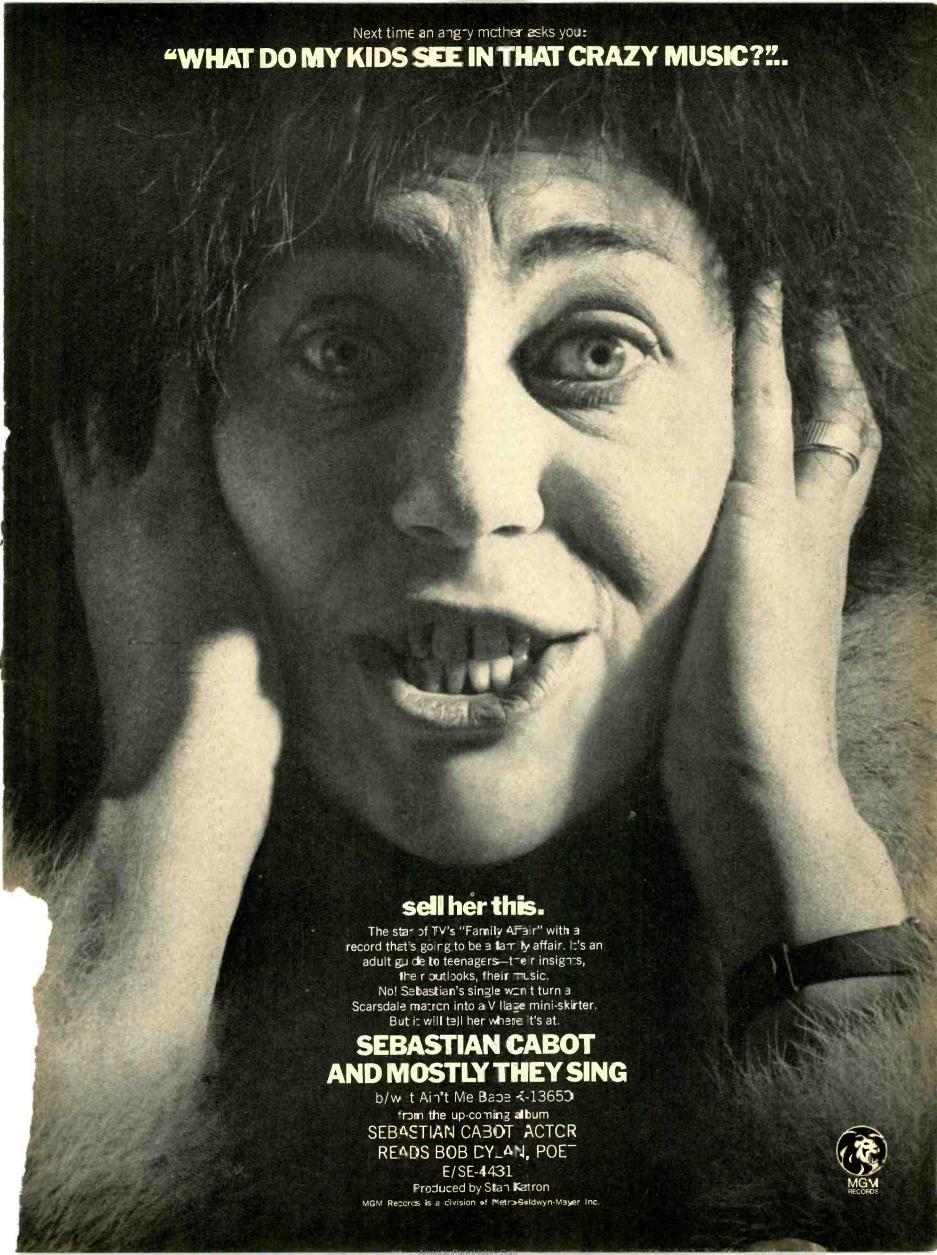
(Resistance-Aim, BMI)

THE LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES—Amy 971.

An instrumental with a switch. Every once in a while an announcer interrupts with the name of a group.

AND WE WERE LOVERS (Hastings, BMI)
MAILY'S THEME (Hastings, BMI)
LIONEL NEWMAN—20th Fox 6665.

The theme from the new flick, "The Sand Pebbles," is conducted by its composer here. Pretty.





PICK HITS

THE KISSIN' COUSINS SING

Project 3 PR 5001; PR 5001SD.

One of the brightest initial projects from Enoch Light's Project 3 label is this new singing group he's put together. Their tunes are fresh and spirited with singalongy chorus arrangements by terrific Lew Davies. "Hold Me," "Too Young," etc.



BORN A WOMAN

SANDY POSEY-MCM E/SE 4118.

Record World's vote as the most promising new singer of the year (along with that Sinatra girl) demonstrates her undeniable talents on this first package, featuring the single that shot her to national prominence. "It's All in the Game."



BIG MAYBELLE GOT A BRAND NEW BAG

Rojac 122.

It's nice to have Big Maybelle back cutting sides. This new package consists of her renditions of the latest top 10 entries. She goes at it with her usual verve. "That's Life," "96 Tears," "Eleanor Rigby."



SONGS FROM "THE SWINGER" AND OTHER SWINGIN' SONGS

ANN-MARGARET-

RCA Victor LPM/LSP 3710.

One of our busiest actresses has come back to the recording studio for a kittenish package released simultaneously with release of her new Swinger."



WE GOT A THING

THE CAPITOLS-Acco 201; SD 201.

The new teen dances were uppermost in the Capitols' minds when they set out to prepare this new package. That means lots of danceable sides here to attract the young crowd. "Knock on Wood," "Let's Go Get Stoned," "Wild Thing."



THE YOUNG GYANTS AT THE CHEZ FEATURING JOHN B'ANDREA

Parkway (S)P 7054.

John D'Andrea, who started with a combo, is back with one—a funky, now group who introduce themselves on this perky, lively package of contemporary rockers. Jazz and rock intermingle on "Monday, Monday," "Alfie."



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J. J. JACKSON—Calla C(S) 1101.

Hot r/ber J. J. Jackson sings his "But It's Alright" and "I Dig Girls" on this package of a baker's dozen tunes. The Greatest Little Soul Band in the Land backs the guy up and the beats are all good for listening and dancing.



THE EGGPLANT THAT ATE CHICAGO DR. WEST'S MEDICINE SHOW AND JUNK BAND-Go Go 002.

Norman Greenbaum announces himself as a front-running songwriter of the teen day with these tunes he wrote as a member of the new Dr. West's etc. group. The "Eggplant" song is here with nine other cheery selections all kazooed and wash-boarded up.



PARIS SMILES

JERRY ANTES-Dot DLP 3762; DLP 25762.

Jerry Antes is a new singer with an easy-going style. He sings a handful of standards and some newer entries on the package and impresses favorably throughout. "Time on My Hands," "Somebody, Somewhere," "My Time of Day." Thoughtful selections.



MEET ME IN ST. LOUIS

Various Artists—Norman 112; NS 212.

A musical tribute to one of the great cities of the land. St. Louis artists perform and St. Louis sites are evoked through music. It starts, natch, with "Meet Me in St. Louis" and moves on through "Hey, Look Me Over."



THE WORLD'S GREATEST SINGER ROUVAUN SINGS LOVE SONGS

Kalamo 42525.

This new songster is billed rather extravagantly on the album and perhaps not everybody will hasten to agree he's the world's greatest singer. But he certainly has a dramatic, robust tenor and a bright future. Standards.



SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR TITLE JIM KWESKIN & THE JUG BAND— Vanguard VRS 9234; VSD 79234...

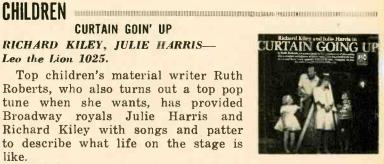
Happy, happy jugband music as done by the most impressive current pop exponents of the genre. All the selections are marketable during this goodtime music craze and there are certainly a couple of single nominees here.



CURTAIN GOIN' UP

RICHARD KILEY, JULIE HARRIS-Leo the Lion 1025.

Top children's material writer Ruth Roberts, who also turns out a top pop tune when she wants, has provided Broadway royals Julie Harris and Richard Kiley with songs and patter to describe what life on the stage is



SPAGHETTI SAUCE & OTHER DELIGHTS PAT COOPER-

United Artists UAL 3548.

If there had never been an Italy, Pat Cooper would be out of work. But Italy exists and the country and its people are a tremendous source of humor for this Son of Italy. Molto funny disk with molto bello sales future.



ANNOUNCEMENT—

TO THE MUSIC AND RECORD INDUSTRY:

Buena Vista Records will release early in January a commemorative record album "THE MUSIC OF WALT DISNEY." This album will contain music from Walt Disney productions over the past thirty years, from "Snow White" to "Mary Poppins." Most of this material will be from original sound tracks, including three Academy Award winning songs.

This album is a non-commercial special release.

All royalties and profits from its manufacture are
being donated to the California Institute of Arts.

The California Institute of the Arts is a unique college, international in scope, where all the arts, Design, Theatre, Motion Pictures, Fine Arts and Music, flourish together. Walt Disney has said of Cal-Arts, "It's the principal thing that I hope to leave when I move on to greener pastures. If I can provide a place to develop talent for the future, I think I will have accomplished something."

'Dean' Silverman Appointed VP, RCA Bruno-New York

Bruno-New York, Inc., RCA distributor, has announced the appointment of Phil Silverman as Vice President, RCA Victor Record & Tape Division.

Silverman has been associated with Bruno-New York for over 43 years, starting his career in New York as a record sales specialist in 1923. For 10 years prior to that period, Silverman was outstanding in the

record retail circles of Great Britain and Europe as well as in America.

The length of his association with the Radio Corporation of America, in the wholesale end of the record business, is unsurpassed. Silverman is considered the dean of the wholesale record business in this country.

Trinity Distribs Opens NY Branch

NEW YORK — Trinity Record Distributors of East Hartford, Conn., has opened offices here at 240 W. 55th St., also the address of Musicor Records, which it will distribute in the New York area, along with Dynamo Records.

Announcement was made by Ed DiNallo, President of Trinity, who further revealed that Frank Berman has been set to handle Manhattan promotion.

Four salesmen are already operating in New York and a Sales Manager will be named by Jan. 1. Trinity also will continue to handle the Musicor line in Connecticut, western Massachusetts, the Albany area, New York State and Vermont. The firm has served these areas since Musicor's inception in 1962.

Omen to UA

The Omen, a contemporary rock foursome, have signed an exclusive disk contract with United Artists Records.

Known to discotheque and teen club devotees throughout the New York area, from folk to soul-rock, the Omen consists of four lads in their early twenties, all experienced musicians who write and arrange most of their own material. Under the co-direction of producers Jack Gold and Bill Hughes, the initial UA single from the vocal-instrumental combo titled, "Once Upon a Taste," is scheduled for release shortly.

UA is presently readying a sizable publicity and promo campaign for their new artists. In addition, a 90-minute farce melodrama film set in the 1940s and features the quartet is currently in production.

The Royal Guardsmen

When is a Vacation Not a Vacation?

NEW YORK — The Royal Guardsmen, the Ocala, Fla., six-some with the red-hot Laurie Records single of "Snoopy Vs. the Red Baron," were feted by the label in the Plaza Hotel last week.

The lads, each a distinct and engaging personality, are vacationing from college for the holidays, but nevertheless getting in plenty of work. At their party, it was learned they had just finished a straight-through, 20-hour session for their first album, also titled "Snoopy Vs. the Red Baron," due out early in January; and they were embarking on a string of personal appearances.

Set for Sullivan

Before returning to classes, the Guardsmen will play Pittsburgh, Cleveland, Erie, Ill., Seattle, Spokane and San Francisco, plus West Coast shows with Sonny and Cher and the Beach Boys. They also have been set for the Ed Sullivan TVer late in January, and other important TV possibilities are looming for the talented young men performing together only six months.



The Royal Guardsmen

MGM Recognizes Growing Frisco Influence, Signs Trident Deal

Through an arrangement just concluded by Mort Nasatir and Frank Werber, Werber's Trident Productions and MGM Records will enter a multifaceted working agreement on Jan. 2. The pact is another step in MGM's continuing expansion and development into all fields of album and singles product, with special emphasis on West Coast creativity.

MGM will release Werber's production efforts for one year, and will market such product under Verve, as well as other subsidiary labels.

Working Adjunct

More than just a standard independent production deal, the merger will, in effect, establish Trident as a working adjunct to MGM's West Coast A & R Department. Thus, MGM becomes one of the first major labels to recognize vast contributions to today's pop music market emanating from San Francisco. Some of the artists already signed include Blackburn and Snow, the Mystery Trend, the Sons of Champlin, Malachi, the Ensemble and the Don Scaleeta Trio.

In commenting on the pact with Trident Productions, Nasatir said, "The vast background and knowledge contributed by Frank Werber and his associates at Trident, will broaden Verve product representation in the overall market. His productions will further deepen the inroads made into the pop market by such great Verve artists as the Righteous Brothers, Arthur Prysock, Jimmy Smith, Willie Bobo, Wes Montgomery, Astrud Gilberto, Stan Getz and the Mothers of Invention."

Frisco Music Center

"San Francisco is a music center for creative people who want to live and work in the greatest city in the world," said Werber. "It is my aim to take the music that is coming out of the West Coast, specifically San Francisco, and choose from it the artists who have the most to say."

Werber, who discovered the Kingston Trio and promoted them from an off-campus trio into one of the most successful singing groups in the world, stated that a survey in depth of the Bay Area disclosed that San Francisco, which has always been a center for creative people, is fast becoming established as the capital of the

new wave of music being recorded today.

"The Trident set-up," said Werber, "with its organization, high quality recording studio facilities, talent management and development division, publishing companies, promotion and art departments all located under one roof in historic Columbus Tower, made this an ideal merger of interests for us."

Not Solely Group Sound

Werber, emphasizing the fact that the new setup would not be interested in any "quicklived fad," declared that his involvement will not be solely concerned with the singles market group sound.

"We intend to delve into all aspects of music available in this area," Werber said, "and this includes new forms of jazz, psychedelic sounds and the new emergence of holy music."

BMI Reports Boom

America's continuing music explosion is reported upon in the new brochure "Concert Music USA, 1967," the 13th annual survey of the field which was released nationally by BMI at year's end. The report determines that we are attending more live musical events, playing more instruments, buying more recordings and providing our youth with more musical education than ever before.

Single copies and information on the availability of quantity lots of "Concert Music USA, 1967" for educational institutions, symphony orchestras and other interested groups may be obtained from the Public Relations Department, Broadcast Music, Inc., 589 Fifth Ave., New York, N.Y. 10017.

Coast Tribute



Pictured at the recent Coast cocktail party honoring Warner Brothers Records' Bill Cosby for each of his four gold comedy albums are, left, Cosby, and label President J. K. Maitland.

Epic Gets Fame Releases for US

CBS Records, Ltd., in England has announced the signing of top British rhythm singer Georgie Fame to an exclusive long-term contract. This week, Leonard S. Levy, VP of Epic Records, announced that arrangements have been completed for Fame's recordings to be released in the United States on the Epic label.

Fame was born Clive Powell in 1943 in the coal-mining, cotton-mill world of Leigh, Lancashire. His father was a cotton spinner who played piano and accordion at the local church hall. At thirteen, Georgie was caught up in the rock-and-skiffle boom that was infecting Britain, and he played piano with a local group. It was no surprise to his family when he announced soon after that he was leaving home to join a rock 'n' roll group.

Fame left for London, and there his career consisted of playing in ballrooms with various back-up groups. It wasn't long afterwards that he was chosen to join a group called the Blue Flames, which played at the Flamingo Club in Lon-



Pictured at Georgie Fame's signing with CBS Records, Ltd., England, from left: Ken Glancy, Managing Director, CBS Records, Ltd., in England; Fame; and Rik Gunnell, Fame's personal manager.

don's Soho district. Soon, the group's leader left, and Georgie found himself leading his own group. The acquisition of a Hammond organ really began to change Fame's music.

A live recording session at the club produced an LP and Georgie's first single, "Do the Dog." Several records followed, and in December, 1964, the pop-buying public discovered Fame and snapped up a quarter of a million copies of "Yeh, Yeh."

Gimbel, President of Audio Fidelity Records, Inc., reported to his Board of Directors at the year-end meeting that Audio Fidelity Records Inc., showed a tremendous increase in sales of its labels, Audio Fidelity, Karate, Little Darlin', Audio Rarities and Kinor.

Interim reports by Alexander Grant & Co., accountants and auditors for the company, showed a domestic sales increase of 30% over the comparable period for 1965 and a 36% gain in sales by Audio Fidelity Records' foreign licensees. The Canadian operation reflected an increase of 22% over last year.

Since Gimbel assumed control of Audio Fidelity Records, Inc., the company has been undergoing a vigorous expansion program, the result of which can be seen in the sales and earnings growth of the company. Under Gimbel's direction, Audio Fidelity entered the popmarket with its Karate label which, within a short period of time, enjoyed its first hit sin-

"Juanita Banana" album.

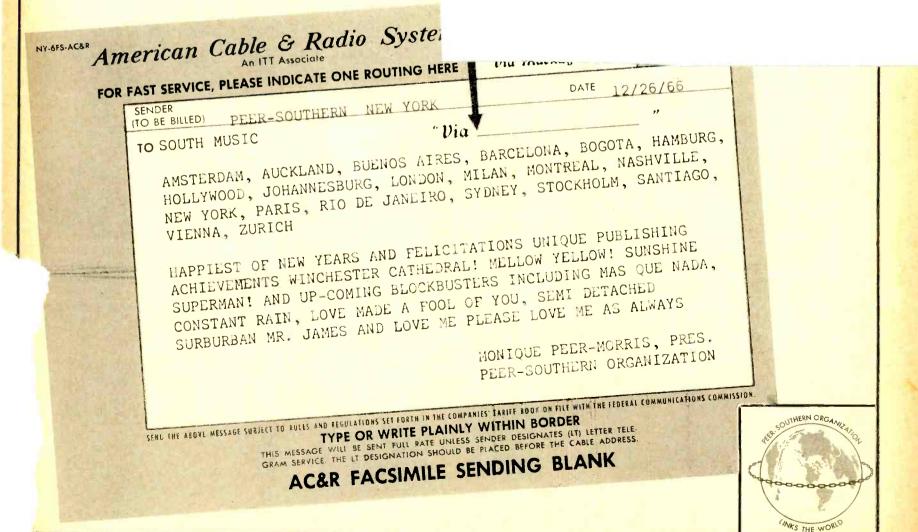
Since its inception in the middle of 1966, the Little Darlin' label singles and LP releases have appeared on the country and western charts consistently.

The Audio Fidelity label itself added about 60 new LPs during the past year. It released 15 new LPs in its classical line, including a luxurious seven-record boxed set of the nine Beethoven Symphonies, and a two-record set of Beethoven's 8th and 9th Symphonies.

Gimbel also introduced new packaging concepts for many of Audio Fidelity's new albums which were enthusiastically received by Audio Fidelity's distributors.

Carl Shaw, Vice President of the company, just returned from the West Coast after negotiating for a new jazz line, details of which will be announced at a later date.

Gimbel's plans for 1967 are to continue the company's ex-



The New Orleans area has come alive, and Dover Music with Bob Robin and Cosmo, and the Allan Touissant-Marshall Sehorn complex, have the town to themselves. Dover is going far, far over a million with Aaron Neville, and "Tip Toe," Robert Parker, looks good. Touissant's new Lee Dorsey should become his biggest one ever. A number of labels are trying to set up New Orleans deals, though Amy has the inside track. The independent label will always be a big factor when you see Laurie with the Royal Guardsmen and Dover Music with the Aaron Neville topping the charts.

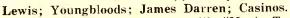
The sales on the Monkees single and LP are the Beatles all over again! RCA is very interested in R&B, and in getting into the

rest of the record singles marketplace.

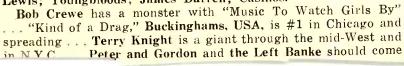
Columbia is going all the way with Paul Revere and Epic is ditto with Bobby Vinton . . . MGM has Sandy Posey and Sam the Sham . . . Mama Cass and 4 Seasons are smashes . . . Kama Sutra is hot with Lovin'

Spoonful, Innocence and Sopwith Camel.

Brunswick broke through with "Wack Wack,"
Young Holt, which shows how important it is
to have R&B stations to fan a record into life
... Hitting Big: Petula "The Greatest" Clark;
Everett Dirksen; ? and Mysterians; Blue
Magoos; Electric Prunes (East, midddle-West,
and West); 4 Tops; Gunter Kallman; Gary



Kal Rudman



Smooth Music Big Top 40

Seekers and Tom Jones are now giants. With strong action coming in on James Darren, Gunter Kallman, Bachelors and Earl Grant, it is obvious that adults still buy singles. However, the affluent youth of America, to whom three bucks means little anymore, are switching their purchases to albums. Nothing is selling like the Monkees LP; Sinatra's "That's Life" LP is gigantic. In Philadelphia, even the Lawrence Welk LP of "Winchester Cathedral" on Dot is over 30,000 and booming... Nationally a tremendous, unique in-the-store, point-of-sales promotion campaign by record salesmen on the LP, "Rhapsodies for Young Lovers," Midnight String Quartet, Viva, broke this LP wide open in sales. Leon Russell conducted and arranged with the producer Snuff Garrett and Ed Silvers. The baroque sound of the harpsicord is used . . . The next big trend could be the cocktail clinking sound of the 1940s.

R&B Records Most Likely To Go Big Pop:

a) "The Biggest Man," Tommy Hunt, Dynamic. Luther Dixon returns and he has written and produced a Soul Giant. Watch it go!; b) "I Dig You Baby," Jerry Butler, Mercury. This song made it for Lorraine Ellison only in L.A., but this Jerry Ross production won't be stopped. Ross has solid breaking action on the new Bobby Hebb, "Love Me," with picks on every key pop station.

The world knows that Harry Carlson will finally get a national hit with "Then You Can Tell Me Goodby," Casinos . . . KONO, San Antonio, picked "Latin Skate," Cheapskates.

L.A. is close to 50,000 on "I'll Make It Easy," Incredibles, Audio Arts, it broke in Hartford, went on WIBG, Philadelphia, WQXI, Atlanta, and should spread . . "Karate," Emperors, is big R&B and looking very good pop.

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Cap JFK LP

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including:

- 1. The actual voices and statements of eye-witnesses to the assassination who support the "second assassin" theory;
- 2. Critics and advocates of the Warren Report heard face-to-face for the first time;
- 3. Many present at the shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald are heard publicly for the first time;
- 4. Personal descriptions of the assassination and its aftermath by members of the late President's Dallas motorcade.

'Beyond Expectations'

Livingston stated: "A number of months ago, we at Capitol determined to ap-

ply the techniques of audio journalism to the most controversial news event of our day, the assassination of President Kennedy. Journalist Lawrence Schiller was assigned as producer. He traveled over 11,000 miles to tape interviews with many different participants in the tragic events of November, 1963. The results of Mr. Schiller's work have gone far bevond our original expectations. In my opinion, the album constitutes perhaps the most startling and dramatic audio documentary ever produced."

"The Controversy" will be released nationally on Jan. 6. The album is the third in Capitol's "Probe" series. Previously released were "LSD," a study of the current psychedelic drug controversy; and "Why Did Lenny Bruce Die?," an inquiry into the troubled life and tragic death of the late comedian

'Wild' Bath Music

NEW YORK — Cameo/Parkway Records' Neil Bogart last week personally delivered a copy of the Parkway "sleeper" hit recording of "Wild Thing" by Senator Bobby with the Hardly-Worthit Players to Senator Robert Kennedy in his apartment here.

The Senator's aide informed Bogart that the senator had had a very hard day with the press. But while they were talking Senator Kennedy came into the room and said he was sorry he couldn't listen to the record at that moment but promised he would listen while taking his bath.

Weeds Winners



The Weeds' first release on 20th Century-Fox (produced by Jackie Mills) is due in January. The group, Cincinnati-based, joins the Four Seasons Show at the local Music Hall on Dec. 29 with several TV exposures set for January in the Cincy-Dayton areas.

Atlantic Year

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abled the club to make available to its members Atlantic and Atco LPs, and Stax, Volt, Dial and Focus LPs for which Atlantic has the distribution rights.

Atlantic's foreign sales underwent a great expansion in 1966 aided by promotional tours overseas of many Atlantic artists and the appointment of a number of new foreign licensees to handle the Atlantic labels. Sonny & Cher made a very successful month-long tour of England, France, Germany, Italy, Denmark, Belgium and Holland, performing on TV to over 100 million people, Wilson Pickett, Bobby Darin, Ben E. King, Solomon Burke, Charles Lloyd, Otis Redding, Junior Wells, Leslie Uggams and the Young Rascals also made successful overseas tours in 1966,

New licensees for Atlantic product appointed in 1966 by Nesuhi Ertegun, Atlantic VP and Director of International Operations, included Polydor Records for England, Quality Records for Belgium and Switerland, Polydor Records Mexico, Brazil, Peru, Colum and Chile, Polydor Records 1 Holland and Teal Records f South Africa.

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Mandala Raises Hullabaloo

Originating in Toronto, Canada, "The Soul Crusade of the Mandala" made its American debut at the Hullabaloo Club in Hollywood, and for three weekends more than 1,500 teenagers jammed the night spot.



The Mandala

Los Angeles, the city that perhaps houses more music groups than any other, received this one with disbelief. Young George Olliver, lead singer, and his Mandala caused authorities to protest their appearance and they threatened to close the Hullabaloo if the group did not conform to city laws. No one under 18 is permitted on the dance floor of a Los Angeles club, nor is a performer in costume permitted to leave the stage. Center-staged Olliver asked his audience of 1500 to leave their seats and join him in his "circle of soul." The throng charged the stage, and at one point Olliver, frequently called the High Priest of Soul, was pulled off the stage.

The Mandala's basic material is rhythm and blues. Their highlight is a number titled "The Five Steps to Soul" which features a series of monologues by Olliver which demand audience responses.

The group travels with \$1400 in lighting equipment and their own PA system valued at somewhere more than \$22,000. Their appearance and staging are striking. Their clothes are well-suited to their act, and their use of lights provides an added musical dimension. Don Troiano's guitar sound also is effective.

The Manadala is currently playing a tour of one-nighters in Canada, and manager Randy Martin plans to bring the group back to the United States in January at which time their first single, produced by Koppleman & Rubin Associates, "Opportunity," will be released.

R & B Beat

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George Woods, WDAS, just went on "Oh Baby," Bo Diddley, and he broke it very quickly. Philly had never played "I'm the One That Love Forgot," Manhattans, but Georgie decided to get on this old hit recently, and it is very big here... Everyone in Philly cannot figure out why Decca Records in Philadelphia cannot order the Artistics properly, because there just has been no stock available on this giant Philly smash. The deejays feel that after the great promo job done by Medlin and Tarnapol, there should be stock available, because listeners are calling in complaining they can't buy the record ... Steve Byrd, WDAS, is very high on "Be Cool, Be Calm, And Keep Yourself Together" from the Stevie Wonder LP, "Down to Earth."

New on the WIGO, Atlanta deejay staff is Lonnell Conley, former PD at WAUG, Augusta. Johnny (Jive Master) Person is Music Director now of WIGO... Congrats to Sonny Hopson of WHAT, Philadelphia upon his marriage. Georgie Woods was best man

We would like to welcome Johnny Nash back to the record scene with his fine MGM release of "Amen" which has a number of key picks and is getting a lot of attention. 1967 should be a good year for Johnny and his wife Margaret . . "Look at Granny," Howard Tate, is a solid hit through the South, and Tate should be working gigs in the South for a long time to come . . . Boo Frazier of Mercury-Smash is doing a great job on the Jerry Butler, Bobby Hebb and Jimmy Castor with heavy play going on all these records.

"Sweetest One," Metros, is a solid hit for RCA in Detroit, and is breaking now in Chicago and Cleveland and N. Y. C. The Gerald Purcell office is all out on this record for Victor.

New at WOL, Washington, Rudy Runnels; Spencer Davis; Joe Cuba; Little Richard; Marvin & Kim; Marvellos; Albert King; Johnny Taylor. \$1, Young Holt. \$5, Joe Tex. \$11, Ovations

Galaxy Records reports that "She's Looking Good," Rodger Collins, is \$5 at KDIA, S.F., made "soul sound" at KGFJ, L.A. and broke and went on WWRL, N. Y.

Jimmy Bishop, WDAS, Philadelphia New: "Steal Away," Packers; Casinos; "Hanky Panky," Pablo Ponce 4, Jamie; Bo Diddley. Breaking Big: Freddy Scott; Radiants.

George Wilson, WHAT, Philadelphia Picks: Hector Rivera; Jimmy Reed; Incredible; Cannonball Adderly.

There are a lot of Picks on "Funky Broadway," Dyke and the Blazers, Original Sound . . . "Then You Can Tell Me Goodbye," Casinos, is a solid pop hit for Fraternity, and WDAS, Philadelphia went with it. It broke in Pittsburgh.

"Come On Home To Me Baby," Ronnie Mitchell, Brunswick, was done by Nat Tarnopol, Teacho Wiltshire and Dick Jacobs, and it sounds like a very funky thing.

Jimmy Whittington, WIGO, Atlanta, Station Pick. Vontastics. Deejay Picks: Little Milton; Etta James; Tyrone the Wonder Boy; "Greatest Love," Willie West, Deesu; Marvin & Kim. Play: Jerry Butler; Hector Rivera; Dionne Warwick; Jr. Parker ("Man or Mouse.")

Number 2 at WIGO, Jimmy Robins; #3, Otis Redding; #7, Peaches and Herb; #8, Inez and Charlie Foxx; #12, Albert

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MGM's Hottest Quarter

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concerted drive in the rhythm and blues and country music fields. The emergence of the Royalettes, Howard Tate and Spyder Turner, to name just a few, in the R&B field and the addition of key personnel in that field have made a marked difference in sales.

MGM also has opened its own C&W office in Nashville headed by Jim Vienneau. This closeness to the market has resulted in the acquisition of the Stonemans, Tompall and the Glaser Brothers and Sandy Posey to an already strong artists' roster led by Hank Williams, Jr. and Sheb Wooley. In addition, Jack Clement will be working closely with Vienneau as an independent producer.

MGM has also opened its own records division offices in Los Angeles under the guidance of Clive Fox. This operation will account for stepped up control of West Coast sales and distribution. Jesse Kaye continues to head up the West Coast talent and A&R operations with a special emphasis on sound-tracks.

Distribution

Nasatir also mentioned the continued sales expansion of various exclusive distribution deals as an important part of the MGM sales boom. Deutsche Grammophon classical product for example, which the label distributes in the United States, was up 20 percent over 1965 at a time when the classical business is slow generally.

The MGM Records' distributed independent Kama-Sutra label with the hit Lovin' Spoonful, was well over '65 sales figures, and the label is showing more impact with chart product from the Innocence, the Trade Winds and the Sopwith "Camel."

Soundtrack Leader

In the all-important sound-track area, Nasatir underlined MGM's outstanding job as industry-leader with three topselling LPs "Doctor Zhivago," "Born Free" and "The Singing Nun." The recording of the Academy Award-winning Maurice Jarre score for the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer film "Zhivago" ranks among the all-time best selling soundtracks. To date the album is well over the one million mark, label asserts.

Other artists on the MGM label have also scored heavily with album product: Connie Francis, Herman's Hermits, Eric Burdon and the Animals, Sam the Sham and the Pha-

concerted drive in the rhythm raohs, Roy Orbison and Lou and blues and country music Christie.

Verve Expansion

Nasatir also singled out the diversification of the Verve label as an imposing ingredient in the record-breaking sales results. The addition of the Righeous Brothers, the initial entry from the Mothers of Invention and from Arthur Prysock have augmented strong sales from Jimmy Smith, Stan Getz, Willie Bobo, Wes montgomery, Cal Tjader and Astrud Gilberto. Walter Wanderly's first album has also given a significant sales boost to Verve.

Talking about future becoming present, Nasatir referred to the Verve/Folkways scene which continues to build nicely under label manager Jerry Schoenbaum's direction. He revealed that orders for the second Blues Project album, "Projections," have already topped sales of their first LP. Two more artists have entered as substantial sellers: Janis Ian and Laura Nyro.

The King Leo label also was formed in 1966 as a regular price deluxe, double-fold line to tie in with TV spectculars and out-of-the-ordinary childrens' product. The first numbers in this line, "How the Grinch Stole Christmas" and "You're a Good Man Charlie Brown," have been most successful.

Budget Growth

In February, MGM Records added new labels to its budget representation that made a most significant contribution to the total sales picture. In addition to better-than-ever sales from its pop Metro banner, VSP was created to appeal to the budget-minded jazz buyer, Heliodor was tailored specifically for the classical buyer and Leo the Lion Records was brought up to date and scored mightily with its "live action" and education-slanted play albums. "Batman," "Superman" and many other new titles sold

The MGM family of labels racked up consistent chart and sales action with its major artists. The label had its biggest sales week for singles in December when more than 655,000 45s were sold.

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Date Ends '66 In High Gear

The conclusion of 1966 finds Date Records in high gear, both in sales and airplay, announces Ed Matthews, the label's Manager. Matthews, who recently assumed the responsibility for the management operation of Date forsees an even greater and more successful year in 1967.

Currently, Date is riding high with a single entitled "Let's Fall In Love," by the sweethearts of soul Peaches and Herb. Listed high on the nation's R&B charts, the record is now going pop. A debut LP by Peaches and Herb is slated for release in the near future. Another group, the Arbors, have made a strong name for them-

selves with their single "Symphony for Susan," a follow-up LP, also titled "A Symphony For Susan," and most recently a single, "Just Let It Happen," which was taken from the album. "Just Let It Happen" is presently climbing to the top of the best-selling charts.

Matthews also indicated that Date had just acquired two more exciting master singles, which will be released later this month.

Since its organization late in 1965, Date Records has been well represented on the charts. Matthews expressed his enthusiasm over the success Date has attained in this time, and indicated that exciting plans to further strengthen the label would be announced in a few weeks.

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R & B Beat (Continued from page 25)

King. Breakout. "Find Me," Attractions, Amy. Blues Giant: Bobby Bland. Breaking, Howard Tate. Certain #1 in Atlanta: Joe Tex.

Johnny Person of WIGO visited New York City for a conference at the Hilton for sponsors . . . WIGO has a "Viet Nam Phone Call" promotion. Emil Mogul, President of Basic Communications (WIGO, WYDE, WWVA), promises to help the national effort in any way possible.

"I Wanna Marry You," Little Frankie, Smash, is selling through the Carolinas . . . Ernie Durham digs the Vontastics.

Bill Curtis, PD of WCHB, Detroit, announces that Jay Butler has left WJLB and joined WCHB in the P.M. drive slot... Wes Dickinson has left WCHB and is available. His phone No. is 213-PA-1-4489.

McKinley Williams, Willie Martin, Larry Hargrove, WRBD, Ft. Lauderdale, Picks: Soul City; Tams; Billy Butler; Soul Runners; Fascinations; Steve Mancha; Mable John.

Hamp Swain, WIBB, Macon, Hits: Johnny & Jon; Mitty Collier; James Brown; Joe Simon; Joe Tex; Lowell Fulsom.

Les Anderson and Al Garner, KYOK, Houston, New: Johnny Nash; Marvin & Kim; Tommy & Cleve ("Great"); Fascinations; Big Maybelle; Billy Graham; Cannonball Adderly; Attractions.

Breaking in Philadelphia, "Waitin' on You," B. B. King.

Kent Records reports extremely heavy sales on "The Tramp," Lowell Fulsom. It is top 10 at WJAMO-Cleveland, ditto in Detroit, very big in Chicago, Los Angeles, St. Louis, San Francisco and all through the South.

Congrats to WWRL-New York, which started the whole Latin-R&B trend that has captured New York City and is sweeping the nation. Marty Wekser, Music Director of WWRL, reports that Jimmy Castor is \$\frac{1}{2}\$; "Oh Yeah," Joe Cuba, \$\frac{1}{2}\$; and Hector Rivera, \$\frac{1}{2}\$? Sales on the latter are now approaching 70,000 in New York. Breakouts: Freddie Scott is booming to \$\frac{1}{2}\$9 sans WMCA play; Young-Holt, \$\frac{1}{2}\$? Joe Tex, \$\frac{1}{2}\$? J. J. Jackson, \$\frac{1}{2}\$? New: Cannonball Adderley; "Sookie-Sookie," Roy Thompson, Okeh; James Brown; 5 Stairsteps; Bob Crewe; Mighty Sam; Roger Collins; Patti La Belle; Billy Graham, "Oop-Poo-Pa-Doo"; Soul Runners.

Flash from Lucky Cordell, WVON-Chicago. Lucky has found a Fox record, "Talkin' 'Bout Love," Jimmy Bee. He has made it the Too Hot Too Hold. WVON Station Pick: "Oop-Poop-a-Doo," Billy Graham . . . Mike Payne, WABQ-Cleveland, says the Station Pick is "Sweet Darling," Billy Butler, Brunswick. No. 1: Freddie Scott.

Sad news that Will Rudd, long-time evening deejay at WJMO, is now in Cleveland unemployed. We hope Will will hear from his many friends this holiday season.

Stage Review

'I Do! I Do!' Does It

By DAVE FINKLE

NEW YORK - Criticizing "I Do! I Do!" for its weaknesses, which really only become apparent after the final curtain falls, is looking a gift horse in the mouth.

For "I Do! I Do!" a musical adaptation of Jan de Hartog's "The Fourposter," is gifted with Mary Martin and Robert Preston as its entire cast and Gower Champion as its director.

This threesome is endlessly resourceful is bringing off the show, which quite literally revolves (and vice versa) around a bed and the married life of a couple who sleep in it during a 50-year plus marriage.

As Martin and Preston sing. dance, play instruments, change costumes, apply make-up, ride bicycles, observe the wedding night (rather too coyly), push the bed around the stage, hang diapers, clean up toys, their triumph is that this first twocharacter musical seems so easy, so relaxed and just sheer fun. And indeed, for the audience it is-highly-skilled and polished Broadway entertain-

Tom Jones and Harvey Schmidt supplied the basic material for the musical and certainly they have done no less a professional job than Martin, Preston and Champion, because you can't make a silk purse out of a sow's ear. But there are different grades of silk and Jones and Schmidt only got C+ for effort. Their work is sturdy, but not inspired, and it would have been nice to leave the theater remembering Mary Martin and/or Robert Preston singing that really great love song, -, or that really great comedy number, When the song has ended,

Date in Gear

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Date Records are distributed nationally by Columbia Records' distributors. Beginning Dec. 27, the entire Date executive and field staff will call on each of the Columbia distributors, to personally greet them and thank them for a tremendous job well done, in distributing Date product.

In line with a policy of continuous expansion of Date Records, Matthews will travel to the West Coast early in January, to interview possible candidates for the post of West Coast Regional Manager, Date Records.

cheery as it may have been in delivery, the melody doesn't linger on — a surprising disappointment, since the Jones-Schmidt "Fantasticks" score is nothing if not haunting. This reviewer went out singing "My Gal's a Corker."

RCA has the caster. The reviews, infinite box office prospects and these magic names emblazoned on the property should mean worthy sales.

Critic Crist Proves Liners Are Important

NEW YORK - Liner notes and their importance have long been a moot topic in the trade and so a recent liner note story, turned up here last week, should be of interest.

Judith Crist, movie critic of the World Journal Tribune, and formerly of the Herald Tribune told Record World last week that she had received letters "from the four corners of the world" for the notes she wrote for RCA Victor's best-selling "The Sound of Music" sound-

Mrs. Crist noted that her liner credit was "Judith Crist. The New York Herald Tribune," and therefore she was the only name on the album followed by some sort of address buyers could grab onto when they wanted to write to someone - just anyone - about how much they loved the al-

Evidently many letters arrived at Mrs. Crist's office addressed to Rodgers and Hammerstein, etc., and they were duly forwarded. But Mrs. Crist said she had received just as many "rhapsodizing" about the album and movie.

(An amusing footnote is that Mrs. Crist did not like the movie, an opinion she made quite clear in her review. Her liner notes, written long before she saw the movie, concerned the Rodgers and Hammerstein team—a slant suggested by RCA's George R. Marek who commissioned the piece.)

Mrs. Crist said the most interesting letter she had received was from a Welsh boy, who reported that the album enabled him to walk and play football again.

Mrs. Crist's latest disk stint was providing the liner notes for the new Upstairs at the Downstairs package of satirical songs and sketches.

Werges Manages Tape

UTICA, N.Y. - Byron J. Werges has been named Sales Manager for GE's Tape Section.

Coast Capers

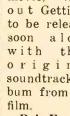
By JACK DEVANEY

The Youngbloods in town to promote their Victor click "Grizzly Bear" and appearing over the weekend at the Hullabaloo . . . Epic's new pactee Nichelle Nichols recording he first sides for the label here ... Earl Perrin of Presta Records in town with label's duo Floyd and Jerry who made TV appearances in Bakersfield, Santa Barbara and San Diego.

Boys' first

movie, "With-

out Getting," to be released soon along with their original soundtrack album from the



Reb Foster Jack Devaney back on the

air at KRLA. The Association headlined two separate concerts Tuesday night. Sextet appeared at Pasadena Civic Auditorium at 8:30, then freewayed to Santa Monica to finale KBLA's giant dance and party at the Santa Monica Civic Auditorium ... Miriam Makeba, now on Mercury current, at the Troubadour . . . Dunhill Records releases the Thomas Group's "I've Got No More to Say" Jan. 2. Group is headed by Tony Thomas, son of Danny Thomas . . . Jefferson Airplane set for a Dec. 28 concert with the Beach Boys at San Francisco's Cow Palace and a New Year's Day appearance on the Bell Telephone Hour ... Irwin and Dee Zucker entertained at their annual Promotion in Motion holiday cocktail party at their home last Sunday night

. 20th Century-Fox releasing the first single "40 Miles" by new Coast quintette the David . . A&M's Baja Marimba Band signed to co-star with Wayne Newton at Melodyland Jan. 17-22 . . . Columbia feted singer Tim Rose with a cocktail party at Martonis during his Coast visit last week.

Mickey Finn and his show open at the Cocoanut Grove for three weeks on Jan. 5-opening this Tuesday night is Ella Fitzgerald . . . Eddie Fisher set for 11 one-week concerts with comedian Buddy Hackett in February at the Daisy, Eddie telling friends his next Victor album will contain a medley of his lawsuits . . . Neely Plumb to New York to record an album with Hugo Montenegro . . . A second novelty record from television star/comedian Soupy Sales will be released by Capitol on Wednesday. Disk will be a take-off on the recent Tijuana Brass hit "Spanish Flea" with special lyrics composed for the Sales version ... Norman Malkin has signed bluegrass-comedy group the Slippery Rock String Band to a personal management contract .

Columbia's new group the Striders from Albuquerque coming on strong with their first release, "There's a Storm Comin'" . . . Rex Devereuax reporting that the comedy LP "Lyndonland" taking off here on the Coast. The P.S. Records album is now high on the Music City best-selling list . . . Locally produced disk "Exception to the Rule" by Cliff Wagner garnering airplay on the Jewel label.



The David

Nichelle Nichols



The Youngbloods

Youmans Presentation

Bob Lissauer, VP and General Manager of Vincent Youmans, Inc., has for the third successive year presented a group of original Vincent Youmans manuscripts and autographed scores to the Library of Congress. This material will now be available to students, research and education groups.

New M. A. P. Label

BEVERLY HILLS - M.A.P. Records, Inc., newly formed label headed by Milton A. Phillips, announces its initial release "Come on Home" by Jonna Gault: Sincomperneer.

Miss Gault was also named Director of A & R for the company.

Jazz

Taking Care of Business

By DEL SHIELDS

By DEL SHIELDS

The mailbag this holiday season has been filled with soulful greetings from members of the jazz academy across the nation. And to all, our thanks for the kind remembrances.

Among the letters received this week is one from Judson Snyder, Program Director of KJAZ, in San Francisco:



Del Shields

"Just a note to let you know that all of us here are avid readers of your column.

"In regards to cooperation from the disdistribu-tors, we, too,

have our troubles from a minority of them. Although we've put across the message to most of them that the surest way to boost record sales is to place the music in front of the potential cuustomer's ears, a few still think that the newspaper columnists should get them first. This despite the fact that newspaper coverage of jazz albums in the Bay Area is sporadic at best.

"But the smart record companies have gotten the message. Verve buys three hours a week, Blue Note two hours, Prestige two hours and Riverside one hour. During these hours, naturally, only that particular label is aired with the emphasis on the new releases.

"Guess which record albums are best sellers in this area?

"Verve has been with us for over three years, Prestige for one year, Blue Note and Riverside are recent additions to our hour and half-hour program schedules.

"The enclosed brochure tells more about us, we signed on the air Aug. 1, 1959, and have been straight ahead 99% modern jazz ever since. The one percent? We dig back into the archives for the oldies once in a while to get down to the roots."

A Very Good Year

Speaking of the year of 1966... it has been a very good year. There were so many interesting developments on the jazz scene that neither space nor time will allow us the luxury of full indulgence.

But among the highlights was the selling of Blue Note Records—one of the oldest jazz labels as well as one of the greatest incubators of jazz talent-to Liberty Records. Most of us waited in suspense hoping that the fine record of Blue Note would be enhanced. Fortunately, the headmasters at Liberty were aware of the keen interest that Al Lion and Frank Wolff had maintained through the years in creating the label and continued their participation. As a result Blue Note continued to produce and release some swinging LPs. There was the addition of Bernie Block as the Liberty head of the label, whose talent for merchandising and promotion was reflected in stepping up the distribution and servicing of the product.

Lee Morgan, Stanly Turrentine, Wayne Shorter, Jimmy Smith and Bobby Hutcherson all came out with top albums and many found their way on the best-selling charts across the nation.

Greatest Tragedy

Possibly the greatest tragedy of all was the demise of the Limelight label. Mercury's jazz wing brought in a concept of packaging that was unanimously hailed as the greatest innovation to ever take place in jazz. Unfortunately, there was a lot missing in the grooves. There were, however, some sterling albums that should have done much better. And the fact that the company added some powerhouse names in terms of top selling artists Les McCann, Oscar Peterson, Three Sounds and Dizzy Gillespie did little to offset the need for better promotion and more extensive distribution.

Oscar Peterson's long-time trio disbanded with Ray Brown retiring from the hazards of road travel and Ed Thigpen electing to turn his attention to teaching and publishing a book on drumming.

The surprise news that followed was his adding Louis Hayes and Sam Jones, long-time Cannonball Adderley sidemen, to the group. These two swingers proved to be worthy replacements.

While on the subject of trios, Ramsey Lewis and company parted. This abrupt change

came during the height of Ramsey's popularity with the group booked solidly. This forced Ramsey to return to Chicago and he signed Cleveland Eaton and Maurice White. And the sound of Ramsey continued. In the meantime, Eldee and Red formed their own group with Don Walker and came up with a year end smash in "Wack, Wack."

Jimmy Smith, the world's number one jazz organist, turned vocalist and came up with "Got My Mojo Working" and "I'm Your Hootchie Cootchie Man." As if this weren't enough, he next turned his hand to "Peter and the Wolf" and with Oliver Nelson and a big band. Another best-seller was produced.

1966 was also the year that saw the organ move from the fringe area, as John Wilson of the New York Times put it, to the center of stage. Richard "Groove" Holmes, who had recorded a number of fine albums with Pacific Jazz, came East and recorded "Misty" on Prestige. Overnight (as we often say in show biz), he became a hot top "40" artist.

New Prestige Era Dawned

Prestige, which had gone somewhat in limbo, added the Fields' boys, Joe and Jerry and with Cal Lamplay in charge of A & R, a new era of activity emerged and Prestige was once again taking care of business.

Atlantic Records came out with the strongest set of jazz releases they had ever released. With Charlie Lloyd, Eddie Harris, Herbie Manne, Shelly Manne, Max Roach, their yearend contribution was most welcome.

And there were attempts by jazz musicians to cash in on the new jazz rock trend. Happily, we can report that only where there was musical validity was there any success.

All in all, it was a very good year. And jazz emerged from the sleeping bee to that of an art that can successfully weather all of the storms. With the addition of FM radio as the newest frontier for jazz on a seven-day week basis across the country, the once neglected child of music emerged as a full-fledgd member of the exciting world of music.

Fontana Gets Disk

CHICAGO—Via the efforts of Chicago-based A & R director Lou Reizner, Fontana Records acquired a red hot master from the Duluth, Minn. area: "Clock on the Wall" by Sounds Like Us, on the Jill Ann label.

Getz Long - Termer



Stan Getz and MGM/Verve President Mort Nasatir toast after resigning ceremonies at the company's New York home office. Getz re-signed a long-term contract with the label prior to his departure for a personal appearance tour in Mexico. His current Verve album: "Stan Getz with Guest Artist Laurindo Almeida."

Atco Master

Atco Records has picked up distribution rights to a hot new record breaking in St. Louis. The disk, on the Hib label, is "If Its All the Same to You Babe"; vocalist is Luther Ingram.

Ahmet Ertegun, President of Atlantic-Atco Records, negotiated the agreement with Bob Bateman, owner of Hib Records of Detroit. Disk will be distributed by Atco under the Hib logo.

Spellbinders Tour

With the release of their first record, "Danny Boy," and "Help Me" being released by CBS Records in England, the Spellbinders left last week to appear on television and a two weeks tour of England. The group is arriving in London on Dec. 30 with their manager, Bill Downs, and director, Syd Shaw.

A cocktail press party will be held for them by CBS Records where they will be introduced to the press. Three television shows have been arranged and a two-week tour taking them to Liverpool and Manchester.

Variety



Last week's Dean Martin TVer had an unusually star-studded roster of musical talent offering a variety of talent for just about everybody's taste: from left, Dino, Jane Powell, Liberace, Tennessee Ernie Ford and Barbara McNair.



1. SOULIN'

Lou Rawls— Capitol T-2566: ST-2566

2. BUCKET

Jimmy Smith— Blue Note BLP-4235: BST-84235

3. LOU RAWLS, LIVE Capitol T-2459: ST-2459

4. WADE IN THE WATER

Ramsey Lewis— Cadet LP-774: LPS-774

5. SEARCH FOR THE **NEW LAND**

Lee Morgan— Blue Note BLP-4169: 84169

6. FREE FORM

Donald Byrd— Blue Note 4118: BST-4118

7. NEW MANN AT NEWPORT

Herbie Mann— Atlantic 1471: SD-1471

8. WILD IS THE WIND

Nina Simone Philips PHM-200-207: PHS-600-207

9. BLUES AT CARNEGIE HALL

Modern Jazz Quartet— Atlantic 1468: SD-1468

10. ALFIE

Sonny Rollins— Impulse A-9111: AS-9111

11. BAG OF GOLD

Les McCann— Pacific Jazz PJ-10107

12. RAY'S MOODS

Ray Charles— ABC Paramount ABC-550: ABCS-550

13. INDESTRUCTABLE

Art Blakey & Jazz Messengers— Blue Note BLP-4193: BST-84193

14. ROUGH & TUMBLE

Stanley Turrentine— Blue Note BLP-4240: BST-84240

15. PETER & THE WOLF

Jimmy Smith— Verve V-8652: V6-8652

Carmen McRae-Mainstream 56084

17. TENDER GENDER

Kenny Burrell— Cadet LP-772: LPS-772

18. LONESOME TRAVELER

Ray Bryant— Cadet LP~778: LPS-778

19. GUITAR ON THE GO

Wes Montgomery— Riverside 495: S-9494

20. HEAT WAVE

Ahmad Jamal---Cadet LP-777: LPS-777

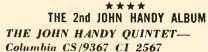
Jazz Album Reviews

By DEL SHIELDS

SPELLBINDER

GABOR SZABO—Impulse A 9123

Gabor should be coming into his own as a jazz guitarist. Currently holding down the chair in Chico Hamilton's group, he has recorded a number of excellent albums on Impulse. This present outing is among the best he has done. Already a smash on the West Coast, the title tune and his poignant offering of "Bang, Bang" should be rewarded with a great deal of ex-



1966 was the year in which most jazzophiles discovered the talented Mr. Handy. His Monterey Jazz Festival album was a smash, and this new one should do much to add new friends. Among the growing group of avant garde musicians, Handy is without a doubt a leader who is aware of what is happening musically. He has a group of musicians who know their craft. "Blues for a Big String Guitar" and "Scheme #1" are highlights. John Handy will emerge as one of the great jazz artists in 1967.





New Chambers Bag

The Chambers Brothers, whose professional history has ranged from church gospel singing to folk-blues performing, take a new direction with the release of their Columbia single "All Strung Out Over You" c/w "Falling in Love." Though their style retains the best elements of their varied background, the new single is aimed at the rhythm-and-blues market.

Willis Re - signs



Prestige A&R Director Cal Lampley (left) watches as Willis Jackson, star saxophonist, signs a new contract with the label. Willis is currently enjoying big sales and play on his LP, "Together Again," and single, "This'll Get to Ya'."

'Succeed' Promises To Do So Again

"How to Succeed In Business Without Really Trying," David Swift's production, opening soon as a United Artists film and soundtrack, comes to the screen after making a clean sweep of theatrical awards.

The Frank Loesser-Abe Burrows musical accumulated the 1962 Pulitzer Prize Drama Award; the New York Drama Critics Circle Award as Best Musical, 1962; Aegis Theatre Club Award as Best Musical of the Year, and Theatre Club 37th Annual Prize Medal as Best Musical. Also, Antoinette Perry Awards as Best Musical of the Year plus six additional awards for contributions to the show, and the Antoinette Perry Award to Robert Morse for his performance.

Other Awards include: Barter Theater Award, Outer Circle Award and Thespian Theatre Club Award.

Along with Morse, the motion picture stars Michele Lee and Rudy Vallee of the original Broadway company. The film, in Color by DeLuxe, is a Mirisch Corporation Presentation for United Artists release, written for the screen, produced and directed by David Swift. Musical supervision is by Nelson Riddle

Tanner, Lopez, 4 Aces to Audio Fi

NEW YORK - As part of Fidelity's continuing Audio expansion program, Herman D. Gimbel, President, has announced the signing of new artists to the Audio Fidelity labels.

To spearhead the 1967 album releases, Audio Fi has recorded Tony Tanner, acclaimed in "Half a Sixpence" and the lead in the movie "Stop the World." Tony has also appeared as lead in the road companies of many Broadway musicals.

Audio Fidelity also has signed Vincent Lopez who will introduce new material in his forthcoming LP. The Four Aces will be heard on a new Audio Fidelity LP release, too.

These releases will be backed by merchandising and extensive publicity and promo campaigns.

Lee to J-G

Mickey Eichner, VP of Jay-Gee Record Co., Inc., has announced the signing of Bobby Lee to an exclusive Jay-Gee recording contract.

Lee was a member of the Fiestas and wrote "So Fine," recorded by the Fiestas. He later decided to make it on his own and scored with "I Was Born a Loser" and "I Missed It By That Much." Lee's dates for Jay-Gee will be produced by Ramot Productions.

Main Line Disks

CLEVELAND - Main Line Records' Product Manager Jerry Sharell announces the premiere U.S. release by the Montreal group, the Classels, "Love Is" b/w "Tomorrow May Be Too Late." Also out: "It's a Pushbutton World," by Everyman.

Trade Section Change

NEW YORK-Sidney Gruber, National Sales Manager of SESAC and Chairman of the Mercantile Section of the New York Board of Trade, announces that Section members have unanimously voted to change the name of their division to Marketing and Services.

Charity Concert

The Satans 4, now at the Metropole in New York, took time out last week to play at a benefit show to aid "The Culturally Deprived Children of Brownsville." Show was held on Dec. 21 at Junior High School #263 in Brooklyn.

Brazilian Singer Dead on Continent

NEW YORK - Sylvia Telles, one of Brazil's most popular singers, was killed last week in an automobile crash. Reports indicated that the accident occurred on the European con-

Miss Telles was associated with Kapp Records in the United States. Her first album here, "Sylvia Telles Sings the Wonderful Songs of Antonio Carlos Jobim," was released by Kapp in 1965, followed by "The Face I Love" in October, 1966.

Although not well known in the United States, Miss Telles was regarded by many as one of the most promising artists to appear on the scene in years. At the time of her death, plans had already been put in motion to bring her to America in January in connection with a substantial promotional and exploitation campaign following the outstanding radio reaction to "Baubles, Bangles and Beads" and "It Might as Well Be Spring," from Miss Telles' recent album.

New Member Of Los Panchos



The Trio Los Panchos are shown with their new first voice (left), Enrique Cáceres. A new album by this great trio will be released by Columbia in February.

Primera fotografía del Trío Los Panchos, con su nueva primera voz, Enrique Caceres. Un nuevo album por este popular trío será lanzado. al mercado por Columbia en Feb-

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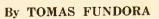
Nos reporta el amigo José Rodolfo Ruíz, de Radio Uno. San Juan, Puerto Rico a Marco Antonio Muñíz con su "El Despertar" en el uno; "Como Ayer" por el Dúo Dinámico en Segundo; "Volví la Espalda" por Los Panchos en Tercero; Lucecita en "Triste Navidad" en Cuarto y Roberto Yanés con "Padre Mío" de Luís Demetrio en Quinto. Se refiere a Roberto Ledesma como un caso insólito, ya que pega toda canción que sale de su garganta, Tammy y Julio Angel pegando sus "Rom-pecorazones" de Salvador Rosa y "Dime." Papo Román adelante con su "Vivo con tu Calor." Avanza "No, No es Igual" en la voz de Lucecita. Agradecemos todas las buenas noticias, que el buen amigo nos brinda, y que utilizamos en nuestras informaciones.

Ismael Díaz Tirado de WADO, NY nos reporta en Primer lugar: Joe Cuba con su "Bang Bang," en Segundo: "El Infierno" por Nahro Díaz, en Ter-cero: "Extraños en la Noche" por Marco A. Muñíz, en Cuarto: "Y . . . Hablame" por Olga Guillot y en Quinto: "Como" en la voz de Ruth Fernández. Ismael Díaz Tirado comparte labores con Rafael Font en WADO Reloj y aunque también se ha lanzado al comercio can un establecimiento localizado en el Bronx, él nos dice que todo esto responde a exigencias materiales de la vida, pero que en ningún momento se aparta de lo sublime y divino de la vida, que al fin del camino, es lo que lo lleva a Dios. Ismael es muy religioso y tiene un elevado concepto de la moral.

Polito Vega de la WBNX de N.Y. tenía noticias para nosotros, pero lamentablemente nu pudimos localizarle. William Valentín Rico reporta desde WHOM, N.Y. a "Boricuas en Viet Nam" por Odilio González en Primer lugar; "El Diluvio" de Johnny Albino en Segundo; "El Infierno" por Nahro Díaz en Tercero; "Corazón Negro" por Ramón Torres en Cuarto; el "Le Frisson" de E. Davidson en Quinto; "Azabache" de J. Jaramillo y O. Cárdenas en Sexto y "Maldito Seas" de Blanca Rosa Gil en Septimo. Muchas llamadas para "Olvidarte no Podré?" de Ramón Torres y para "Porque Dios Mio" en la voz de Odilio González.

DESDE NUESTRO RINCON...

(Internacional)





(This column appears first in Spanish and then in English.)

Dusty Springfield hace una magnifica interpretación de "La Bamba" en su "álbum" titulado "You Don't Have to Say You Love Me" para Philips, y sobre todo, lo hace en un correcto Español . . . El hecho de que haya sido incluído un número latino en una grabación netamente norteamericana, es indicación elocuentísima del modo en que nuestros ritmos van "rompiendo el hielo"... Planea la Peer-Southern un programa de promoción fuerte, para imponer totalmente en el mercado yanqui la 'cumbia." Servirá como medio a su alcance el "álbum" que Roberto Ferrer acaba de grabar para Tico, titulado "Cumbias a Go Go." Roberto se encuentra de gira por países suramericanos en estos momentos.







Roberto Ferrer

Ruth Fernandez

Trio Los Condes

Lanzó al mercado Musart el disco de larga duración "El Cristo Roto," interpretado por José Antonio Cossío, sobre una obra del Padre Ramón Cue, que se ha vendido muy bien en ciertas áreas . Vendiendo muy bien Gema, el último "elepé" del Trío Los Condes, y ya se preparan para lanzar uno nuevo, titulado "Los . Exquisito Condes en Canciones del Ayer" que está fenómenal. el programa de Ruth Fernández por el Canal 47 (Español) en esta ciudad . . . Y hablando de televisión citaremos el fenómeno importantísimo que se está desarrollando en esta ciudad: El programa de Myrta Silva ha situado como "hits" varios números en este mercado, siendo el último el ya famoso "Le Frisson" de Eduardo Davidson que está gozando de gran popularidad. Al mismo tiempo, un nuevo programa, en los cuales actúan artistas del sello Hit Parade, así como de Borinquen, amenaza con promover las ventas de Lucecita Benítez, Chucho Avellanet, Tito Lara, Cuarteto Los Hispanos y Julio Angel. Por supuesto, el programa es "enlatodo" en Puerto Rico, y muy bien realizado por cierto . . . La radio luce debilitada y los más inteligentes han vuelto sus ojos hacia la televisión, como mognífico medio de promover, de aquí que algunas distribuciones hayan cambiado de manos ultimamente, pero en esto de la promoción, hay que hacer las cosas muy discretamente, pues cuando se exageran la nota y utilidades, surgen investigaciones a veces en extremo desagradables . . . Y entonces nos viene a la mente un viejo refrán que

dice: "cada enfermedad tiene su remedio."

Lanzó al mercado la RCA el "elepé" de Rosita Rodríguez interpretando "Egoísmo," "Poema 20," "Cuatro Cirios," "Dime tu Precio," "Llámame Amor Mío," y otras . . . Muy bueno el "álbum" de Sagrario Baena con "Rondando tu Esquina," "Celosa," "Amor desesperado Amor," "Que No te Cuenten Cuentos," y "No Lloro pero me Acuerdo," entre otras. También incluyen en este "álbum" la composición "Mal Hombre," que al referirnos a la grabación de Blanca Rosa Gil, en Velvet, calificamos como muy cruda . . . ; lo sigue siendo."

Saldrá la semana entrante una nueva grabación de Parnaso, presentando "Mas Exitos! de los Hermanos Arriagada, con "Yo te Daría Más," "Un Mundo Diferente," "La Torra," "Dios, como te Amo," "Aunque Tengas Razón," y otras . . . Han sido un éxito las presentaciones del Dúo Dinámico en Puerto Rico, esperandoseles en Nueva York dentro de pocos días . . . Agotadas las grabaciones de United Artists en las cuales se presenta a Tito Rodríguez cantando "Inolvidable" y "Mil Violines" de Chucho Avellanet . . . Nancy Ames y su "Latin Pulse" no son fáciles de localizar, del sello Epic, y "Guantanamera" por Digno (Continued on page 32)

Latin American

1. TE AMARE TODA LA VIDA

Autor: Coqui Navarro *Sonia (RCA) (Ansonia) Olga Gillot (Musart) Marco A. Muñíz (RCA)

2. LE FRISSON

Autor: Eduardo Davidson *Eduardo Davidsan (PopArt)

3. EL INFIERNO

Autor: Mario de Jesús Marco A. Muñíz (RCA) (Ansonia) Olga Guillot (Musart) «Nahro Diaz (Ansonia) Julio Jaramillo (Sonolux)

4. "CELOSO"

*Trio Los Panchos (Columbia)

5. OH YEAH

Autor: Jaime Sabater *Jae Cuba (Tico)

6. BANG-BANG

Autor: Jaime Sabater *Joe Cuba (Tico)

7. EL DESPERTAR

Autor: Fuentes-Roth
*Marco A. Muñiz (RCA) (Ansonio)
Juan José Ramos (Musart)
Felipe Pirela (Velvet)
Flor Silvestre (Musart)

8. PRIMER VIAJE PA' LA LUNA

Autor: B. Núñez ★El Gran Combo (Gema)

9. AZABACHE

Autor: Plácido Acevedo *Julio Jaramillo (Sonolux)

10. LO MISMO QUE A USTED

Autor: Palito Ortega *Olga Guillot (Musart) Roberto Yanes (Columbia) Rolando Laserie (Gema) Daniel Santos (Spanoramic) Tito Rodriguez (Musicor)

11. PETE BOOGALOO *Pete Rodriguez (Alegre)

12. MALDITO SEAS Blanca Rosa Gil (Velvet)

13. PAPAS FRITAS

Sexteto La Playa (Musicor)

14. POEMA NO. 20

Autor: Pablo Neruda Rosita Rodriguez (Ansonia) *Lissette (Borinquen)

15. EL CONTRAGOLPE

Autor: M. A. Valladares *Lila Morilla (Velvet)

16. EL VICIO

*Marco A. Muñíz (RCA) (Ansonia) Lita Morillo (Velvet)

17. DILUVIO

★Los Panchos (Columbia) Jahnny Albino y Trio (Stordust)

18. EGOISMO

Autor: Osvalda Farres Duo Cabrisas Farach (Modiner) *Tito Lara (Borinquen) Celia Cruz (Seeco) Anibal de Pana (Kubaney) Rosita Rodriguez (Ansonia)

19. DEJAME SER

Autor: Concha Valdés Miranda ★Blanca Rosa Gil (Velvet)

20. AMOR SIN HUELLA

Autor: A. Manzanero-R. Cardosö *Olga Guillot (Musart)

Flashes.

Grabó Libertad Lamarque la "Guantanamera cubana" coro de voces para RCA.

José Miguel Class en Méjico, firmando contrato con Tony Aguilar, para ser presentado como figura estelar en producciones filmicas. Tony le descubrió en un "show" en el cual trabajaron juntos en N.Y.

Kako y su Combo reaparecerán en Puerto Rico. Celebraron su despedida en el Colgate Gardens de Nueva York, el pasado sábado.

Grabó Dominico Acevedo con la Orquesta Latinoamericana de Lito Peña un "sencillo" titu-lado "Escucha Rafael," en homenaje al insigne compositor puertorriqueño Rafael Hernández.

Estuvo Franklyn Hernández trabajando varios días en "La Voz de las Antillas" por la WEDC de Chicago, que hábil-mente dirige Baby Cólon. Regresó a Nueva York con intenciones de volver a Puerto Rico ha laborar coma locutor.

Surge una nueva sensación en Puerto Rico. Pachito, de 9 años de edad, está pegando como "hit" el número "Yo Quiero ser Batman," presentado televisión.

Posible "hit" en Puerto Rico "Una Mentira Piadosa" de los Hnos. García Segura, interpretada por los Gemelos del Sur con la Orq. de Gregorio Segura.

Miguel Angel Alvárez (El Men) por Nueva York en relación con su presentación en un espectáculo en Nueva York. Escribió el libreto el gran Rául Delgado Cué.

Estuvo de incógnito en Nueva York, la fabulosa Lucha Villa. Se hospedó en el Hotel Atlantic Hilton, de regreso de las cataratus del Mississippi, a donde viajó en compañía de sus hijos. Actuará en Enero en el Teatro Puerto Rico, Nueva York.

Magnificas las presentaciones del Dúo Dinámico y Marco Antonio Muñíz en la Isla del Encanto.

Fabuloso el "cocktail party" ofrecido a Los Panchos en Puerto Rico. Chucho Navarro dedicó una canción por cada primera voz boricua, que ha participado en ese grupo. Bellas palabras por Johnny Albino, que en la voz de Chucho fueron "no se ha ido Johnny Albino de Los Panchos, porque el que llega a Los Panchos, jamás se va de ellos . . .

Perdió su padre el dilecto amigo y artista del lente, Kuri Díaz. Reciba nuestra condolen-

Latin American **Album Reviews**

YA NO LLORES LOS RELAMPAGOS DEL NORTE— Bego BG-1011

Muy buenas las interpretaciones de "Ingratos Ojos Mías," "Oh Gran Dios,"
"Celos y Penas," "El Mudo," "Al Pie
de tu Ventana" y otras.

Los Relampagos' popularity is speading to many areas. Very good. "Ingratos Ojos Míos," "El Perdido," "Santa Amalia," "Si al Fin" and "Llora

DILEMA

LUIS VAZQUEZ—Gemini LP-02

Magnificas interpretaciones del cantante dominicano Luís Vázquez. Resalton: "Santiago," "Dilema," "Puerto Plata," "Idilio," "Porque no Ha de Ser" y "Dentro de Mí." Se interpretan composiciones del genial Juan Lockward.

Dominican singer Luís Vázquez interpreting songs from composer Juan Lockward. Standouts are "Evocación Gitana," "Dilema," "Santiago," and "Lejos de la Ciudad."

EL TORBELLINO ROSITA RODRIGUEZ—RCA MKL-1718

Se luce Rosita en este "álbum." Se interpretan entre otras: "Egoísmo," "Poema 20," "Cuatro Cirios," "Dime tu Precio," "Y me Dejas Llorando," 'Desierto."

Very nice recording by Rosita. Included in this package: "Egoismo" and "Poema 20," which are hot. Also included are "Cuatro Cirios," "Pongamonos de Acuerdo," "Guardame tu Amor" and "Por Eso te Quiero."

MAS EXITOS! HERMANOS ARRIAGADA— Parnaso LPM-1018

Siguen los éxitos de los Hermanos Arraigada. Se incluyen: "Yo te Daría Más," "Dios, Como te Amo!," "Un Mundo Diferente," "La Torre," "La Tristeza," "Retirada," "Aunque Tengas Razón" y otras.

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Legacy to Queen

CBS Records, Ltd., in England recently presented copies of the CBS Legacy Collection package "John Fitzgerald Kennedy . . . As We Remember Him" to Britain's Queen Elizabeth and Prime Minister Harold Wilson.



MIDEM Musicale Jan. 30-Feb. 4

CANNES, FRANCE — The Marche International Du Disque Et De L'Edition Musicale (International Record and Music Publishing Market), known more tersely as MIDEM. will take place here from Jan, 30 to Feb. 4.

Among the American companies represented, announces MIDEM prexy Bernard Chevry, will be Al Gallico Music, B-Atlas Jody Records, Boney Records, Bonnie Records, Bronson Enterprises Inc., Columbia Records, Dynamite Records, Go. Go Records, Greif Garris Management, Jewel Music Corporation, Mira Productions, Regent Music Corporations, Schroeder Music. Touche Records, Toulouse Music and Burlington and Felsted Music Corporations.

MIDEM is divided into four parts — the market, symposia, galas and presentation of trophies to the 1967 best-selling artists from each participating

Davis Group Wins

Britain's the New Musical Express announces that the Spencer Davis Group, recently pacted to a disk contract with United Artists Records, has been selected "The Best R&B Group" and "Best New Group" for 1966.

Falcons at Apollo

NEW YORK — Big Wheel Records' the Falcons opened at the Apollo Theater Dec. 25 for a 12-day stint.

Beatles' Shea TVer

ABC-TV will telecast "The Beatles at Shea Stadium" Tuesday evening, Jan. 10, from 7:30 to 8:30, in color. The entire show is included, featuring Sounds Incorporated, Brenda Holloway, King Curtis and the Discotheque Dancers.

Saying Aloha



Elmer Bernstein, composer of the best-selling "Hawaii" sound track LP on United Artists Records, visited Record World offices the other week to wish all happy holidays, and stayed to chat with editor Doug McClelland and associate editor Dave Finkle.

Desde Nuestro

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Garcí y sus Carios brillan por su aussencia (Monument) . Vendiéndose muy bien "En su Momento" por Blanca Rosa Gil (Velvet) . . . "Gracias América por Olga Guillot podría superar las ventas de todos los "elepés" de Olga, si se mantiene buena existencia y promoción . . . ¡Es genial! . . . Sigue la RCA sin existencias de "Te Amaré toda la Vida" en la voz de Sonia y Ansonia editó esta interpretación en 78 r.p.m., provocando un alúd de pedidos . . . La frustración del comprador ante la imposibilidad de conseguir su disco preferido, le hace a lar larga un daño grande al sello y más aún a su intérprete.

Francia Luban, de E. B. Marks Music Corp. tiene a disposición de grupos interesados, orquestaciones de canciones de esta editora, que se encuentran de moda en España . . . Agradecemos tarjetas de Navidad de: Mario de Jesús (Mundo Musical), Los Trovadores de España, Eva Flores, Continental Recording Co., Alfredo Munar, Gema Records P. R. Orlando Paz, Galo Sabat (Panart Records) R. Pérez (Ansonia), Miguel Ahumada (Almacenes Cuba), Sandy Berger (E. B. Marks), Jesús Gorís (Puchito Records), Mateo San Martín (South Eastern Records), Iglesias Records Distributors, Rita Medina (Embassy Pictures), M. Muñíz, Raúl Marrero, Arístides Sotolongo (Zig-Zag), la Guille, Tito Puente, Remo Records, La Lupe, Alberto Salinas (Peers), Jaime Alberty y otros siempre recordados amigos que iremos mencionando . . . ¡Gracias mil!

Muy bueno el "elepé" titulado "Quiero Quedarme Aquí" de María Lucía y Jorge Juan del sello Discuba . . . Realiza magnífica labor la empresa grabadora Ten Records de la Argentina. Figuran: Flory Casas (General Manager), Roberto Mancini (Administrador), Walters Thiers (A&R Director) y Maestro Alberto Ginastera, Prof. Emilio A. Stevanovich, Edmundo Eichelbaum y Pola Suárez Urtubey como Supervisores Ejecutivos, y ahora ...; hasta pronto!

Lend an Ear . . . In English

Dusty Springfield sings "La Bamba" in Spanish on her album for Philips, "You Don't Have to Say You Love Me"-in an excellent Spanish! To include a Latin song in such a great package reveals how strong the influence of the Latin soul is becoming . . . Provi García, manager of Peer-Southern Music's Latin Division, announces that the firm has planned a large-scale program to promote the cumbias in 1967. The cumbias, although originating in Columbia, have become extremely popular in Mexico. Peer-Southern plans to introduce the dance to the U.S. with the new Tico LP titled "Cumbias a Gogo" by Roberto Ferrer.

Musart released an album by José Antonio Cossío interpreting "Mi Cristo Roto," "Dios Tiene Mano Izquierda" and "Quién te Partió la Cara" from the pen of Father Ramón Cue . . . The latest LP (Gema) by Trío Los Condes is selling well, and a new one titled "Canciones del Ayer" will be released shortly. This trio is heading up! . . . "Ruth Fernández Show" on Channel 47 (Spanish), N.Y., is excellent. Several numbers went up the charts because of the great promotion power of the Spanish TV channel in this city. "Le Frisson" by Eduardo Davidson was presented by Myrta Silvas "Tira y Tapate" and is a smash; "Te Amaré Toda la Vida" by Sonia is hot (RCA); and "Arrimate pa'Ca," Orquesta Broadway, climbed up the charts. A new program in which Lucecita Benítez, Chucho Avellanet, Tito Lara, Los Hispanos Quartet and Julio Angel will perform is going to be a great promotion for the records of Hit Parade and Borinquen. Of course, Gema also will take advantage because El Gran Combo is included in this program, too, which is taped in Puerto Rico and produced with great taste.

Francia Luban, of E. B. Marks' Latin American department, will make available to interested recording groups advance copies of a combo-orchestration of Marks songs now being played in Spain. Published by Quiroga in Madrid, a limited supply of the combo-orchestration is on hand at their offices ... RCA released an album by Rosita Rodríguez. "Egoísmo," "Poema 20," "Cuatro Cirios," "Dime Tu Precio" and others are included in this package. Also from this label, "Sagrario Baena," in which this singer interprets "Rondando tu Esquina," "Que No te Cuenten Cuentos," "No Lloro pero me Acuerdo," more. "Mal Hombre" is also in this album and, as we mentioned, in Blanca Rosa Gil's LP. (The song is still a trifle crude.)

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Latin American Hit Parade

- 1. SE BUSCA Joe Cuba su Sexteto (Tico)
- 2. EN ESCENARIO Tito Rodriguez (Musicor)
- 3. LATIN BOOGALOO Pete Rodriguez (Alegre)
- 4. FIESTA Gran Combo (Gema)
- 5. EL DESPERTAR Marco Antonio Muiz (RCA)
- 6 EN SU MOMENTO Blanca Rosa Gil (Velvet)
- 7. GRACIAS AMERICA Olga Guillot (Musart)
- 8. SONIA LA UNICA Sonia (RCA)
- 9. BIENVENIDO Cortijo con I. Rivera (Tico)
- 10. TIQUI-TIQUI Org. Broadway (Musicor)
- 11. NO PUEDO OLVIDAR Vicentico Valdés (Seeco)
- 12. LOS CONDES
- 13. LA COMBINACION PERFECTA Gilberto Monroig (Alegre)
- 14. APPROVECHA EL TIEMPO Manny Corchado (Decca)
- 15. POEMA 20 Lissette (Boringuen)
- 16. ¡VIVA ARSENIO! Arsenio Rodríguez (Bang)
- 17. NAVIDADES Los Diplomáticos (Kubaney)
- 18. RECORDANDO A RAFAEL HERNANDEZ Felipe Pirela (Velvet)
- 19. BOLERO RANCHERO Lila Morillo (Velvet)
- 20. OLE LUCECITA Lucecita (Hit Parade)

Visiting Eric



Peter Noone (Herman) and songwriters Barry and Cynthia Mann were among the celebrities to attend Eric Andersen's closing night performance at New York's Cafe Au Go Go where the young entertainer had been playing to capacity crowds for a week.

Golden Boys



The debut of Duo Dinámico in Puerto Rico was a success. Picture was taken at a cocktail party given by Parnaso, their label. From left: Rafael Viera, Charlie Tarrab, Manuel de la Calva (Dúo Dinámico), Roger López, María Lopez, Alberto Dircie, y Ramón Arcusa Alcón (Dúo Dinámico). record was presented them at this

Dichter Signs With RCA

Mischa Dichter, 21-year-old American pianist who won a silver medal in this year's International Tchaikovsky Competition in Moscow, has been signed to an exclusive recording contract by RCA Victor.



Mischa Dichter

Announcement was made by Roger Hall, Manager, Red Seal A and R, who said Dichter's initial recording will be with the Boston Symphony Orchestra in a performance of the Tchaikovsky Piano Concerto No. 1 directed by Erich Leinsdorf.

When Dichter was nosed out of first prize in the competition by a Russian pianist, the press reported that Russian audiences virtually disregarded the decision and treated him as a winner with ovation after ovation.

Dichter's debut concerto is the same that launched Van Cliburn as a Red Seal artist for RCA Victor when he became the first American to win the Moscow competition in 1958.

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Hermanos Arraigada are selling well. "Yo te Daría Más," "Dios, Como te Amo," "El Buen Camino," "No Vuelvo a amar," "Aunque Tengas Razón" and "La Tristeza" will make a good seller of this.

VUELVEN LOS BRIBONES LOS BRIBONES—RCA MKL-1716

Nos alegra que hayan regresado Los Bribones. Fabulosas las interpretaciones de "Tu Olvido," "Tu Modo de Ser," "Secreto," "Estoy Acostumbrado," y "Traición." El resto muy bueno.

Los Bribones were top-flight sellers for years. Glad they came back. A very good package!



Desde Nuestro (Continued from page 32)

"Gracias América" by Olga Guillot is selling fantastically. Sales on this album released by Musart should go high, if well promoted and stocked in the areas in which Olga is hot Blanca Rosa Gil's latest LP on Mustart, "En su Momento," is selling well . . . RCA is keeping back orders on "Te Amaré toda la Vida" by Sonia. In the meantime, Ansonia released (78 rpm) this interpretation and is selling it like peanuts . . . An album in which Tito Rodríguez sings "Inolvidable" (United Artists) is being kept in back orders by their distributor. Also from this label, "Mil Violines" by Chucho Avellanet is in the same situation—no stock! . . . "Guantanamera" by Digno Garcia and his Carios (Monument) is out of sight and fans are asking for it "Latin Pulse" by Nancy Ames is suffering from lack of distribution. It's a shame! . . . Ten Records from Argentina is a very energetic label, full of stamina. They would like to represent several labels in their country. Their address is: Ten Records, Florida 520- 5 Piso 524, (Galería Florida y Lavalle), Buenos Aires, Argentina. Att: Mr. Thiers. Discuba released "Quiero Quedarme Aquí," a wonderful LP by Maria Lucia and Jorge Juan.

'Candles' Publisher

"Candles Glowing," the new Decca single by Marlene Dietrich, is published by Gil-A-Rex Music (BMI), not Northern Music (ASCAP) as previously

D'Andrea, Gyants To Cameo - Parkway

John d'Andrea and the Young Gyants, who opened at the Chez in Los Angeles on Dec. 7, have just signed a recording contract with Cameo-Parkway Records, announces company President Al Rosenthal.

The Young Gyants' first LP, "John d'Andrea and the Young Gyants at the Chez," was re-leased concurrently with the group's opening at the Hollywood club.

Rosenthal flew out from New York to personally host a private party for 350 celebrities, press and record personnel distributing the Young Gyants' new album. Dick Clark introduced d'Andrea and the Young Gyants at the opening.

Pearle Motown PRer

DETROIT - Ed Pearle has been named Publicity Director of the Motown Record Corp. and will also act as liaison with the pr firms across the country handling press for specific Motown performers.





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So-Cal's Country Year

So-Cal Country ushered in '66 with notable things happening to our country folk!

Ferlin Husky and Don Bowman took turns eyeing Jayne Mansfield and Mamie Van Doren while shooting a Hollywood-based movie . . . Roger Miller colored the TV screen "fun" with his Jan. 19 special on NBC-TV. It was ultimately a spin-off of his weekly on the tube . . . Dean Martin did more and more country material on his weekly show . . . Glen Campbell and his wife Billie welcomed their second tax deduction . Jeannie Seely made her big move to Nashville, first to work for Bob Jennings at Four Star Pubbery, then to Porter Wagoner's show, and on

Biff Collie

to her giant Monument debut "Don't Touch Me" Imperial Records opened February by going fullspeed ahead with their new country department. Pat Shields named promo head, Scotty Turner pegged A&R (C&W)

KGBS made its new C&W sound heard on 50,-000 KW, Joe Nixon, Bob Kingsley and John Fritz the daily diggers . . . KSON Radio San Diego collected tons of soap to send to citizens of Viet Nam . . . Gomer Pyle (Jim Nabors) made an on-stage visit to "Cousin" Minnie Pearl at KFOX' Shrine Audi-

torium show . . . Academy of Country & Western Music held its first Hollywood awards showing, with Roger Miller, Buck Owens, Cliffie Stone and Ken Nelson heading the list of notables receiving awards in their respective categories. Show was a Hollywood Palladium turnaway . . . Lorne Greene, Tennessee Ernie Ford, Molly Bee, Dillards, Hoyt Axton, Rex Allen and . Lorne Greene, Tennessee Freddie Hart were star performers illustrating the seven faces of country music.

Buck Cut His First Hymn LP in '66

In March, Buck Owens Capitol-Towered his first hymn LP Freddie Hart signed writer's papers with Harlan Howard's Wilderness Music . . . Bonnie Guitar's set of smashes thrust her into the C&W driver's seat at Randy Wood's Dot Records Tom Brennan, longtime So-Cal Radio-TV personality, returned to L.A. after four years . . . KFOX presented its first gospel concert, headed by Red Foley & Stewart Hamblen . . . Rex Allen personaled in the far east.

In April, Joe Allison was in and out of the Pamper combine within a week . . . Current hits were "History Repeats Itself," "Go Now, Pay Later" and "Talkin' to the Wall," among others. June saw George Jones, Marty Robbins and "Swingin' Country" come true in So-Cal . . . CMA board met at Beverly Hilton. Monique Peer-Morris hostessed a star-studded evening at Park Hill, the Peer estate in Hollywood . . . Buck Owens bought KUZZ Country Radio in Bakersfield . . . The year's #1 song, "Almost Persuaded," was a breakout in most markets a Nut" had people stamping Leroy Pullens as "really Roger Miller" . . . KLAK, the giant Denver country voice, got a new address in the mile-high city . . . Johnny Sea was hottest with his "Day For Decision."

George Hamilton IV and Sue Thompson headlined "Country Music Night" at Disneyland . . . "Swingin' Country" debuted daily on NBC-TV . . . The hots were Eddy's "Tips of My Fingers," Jan's "Evil on Your Mind," Jeannie's "Don't Touch" and Billy's "Million & One" . . . Eddie Miller produced the most unique "Story of Johnny Brown," first country opera for Gordon Frazier's Tower Records . . . Fred Foster and Frank Jones in town tending to their label duties . . . Hank Thompson sessioned for his WB hit with a clown suit . . . Jimmy Wakely firmed Dot producing deal with Randy Wood . . . Hits were "I Hear Little Rock Calling," "It Just Happened That Way" and others . . . Judy Lynn returned from Sweden tour . . . Joe Allison uncovered

an untapped bonanza of Johnny Horton material, still unre-

September brought with it a new 50,000 watt country voice in Phoenix (KYND) . . . Jerry Inman (Tower) hospitalized with ulcers . . . Scott Turner, Imperial producer, Nashvilled a Slim Whitman session LP (now released) . . October introduced Jimmy Wakely's new Channel 11 Saturday TVer . . . Central Songs packed Glen Garrison, talented young So-Cal pal . . . Eddy Arnold taped Andy Williams, Danny Kaye, Johnny Carson and Pat Boone TV shows while here . . . Mitchell Torok, who moved to L.A. from Dallas, cut now-released "I Let the Hurts Put Me in the Driver's Seat" for Reprise. ... Sheb Wooley locationed in Mexico with Kirk Douglas and John Wayne for "War Wagon," 1967 film release, while his "Almost Persuaded #2" jumped the charts (300,000?) . . . KGBS and KFOX planned "really big" shows for November (and they were!) . . . Jimmy Dean Coasted for the Andy Williams show . . Joe Allison fractured an elbow during KGBS country spec at Shrine Auditorium Merle Travis in town for a week Ash Grove setting . . . Bob Hinkle-produced "Hollywood Jamboree" TVer nationally syndicated in early December for January start in 42 markets. Wes Buchanan will host-M.C. the color sharpie . . . Cliffie Stone moved his Central Songs Pubbery.

Paula Launches Blind Singer

SHREVEPORT, LA. - Sixteen-year-old Robert Carey Jr., blind since birth, is having perhaps his happiest Christmas ever this year, thanks to Stan Lewis and his Paula Records.

Bobby was singing along with the records on the "Bandstand with Bob Braun and Nick Clooney" show when he was heard by one of Lewis' pro-

"When it was announced that my agent wanted to sign Bobby to a recording contract, the kids on the program cheered, shouted and even cried," said Lewis. "The Cincinnati Enquirer featured Bobby in a full page spread. Stores that had never before stocked records clamored for Bobby's record."

Bobby's first record is "It's All Over (Except for the Cryin')," on Paula. For Bobby, it's only the beginning.

New Tillis LP

Artist-writer-actor Mel Tillis has wrapped up his follow-up album to his successful "Stateside" effort, following his return from the Florida filming of the feature "Cottonpickin" Chickenpickers."



DAVE'S ONE STOP

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East Hartford, Connecticut
That's Life (Frank Sinatra)
I'm A Believer (Monkees)
Snoopy Vs. The Red Baron
(Royal Guardsmen)
Tell It Like It Is (Aaron Neville)
Georgy Girl (Seekers)
Tell It To The Rain (Four Seasons)
Sugar Town (Nancy Sinatra)
Coming Home Soldier (Bobby Vinton)
A Place In The Sun (Stevie Wonder)
Love Love My Friend
(George McCannon III)

ABLE RECORDS SALES
Elizabeth, New Jersey
Winchester Cathedral
(New Vaudeville Band)
Devil With A Blue Dress (Mitch Ryder)
Good Vibrations (Beach Boys)
Coming Home Soldier (Bobby Vinton)
Mellow Yellow (Donovan)
Stop Stop Stop (Hollies)
Lady Godiva (Peter & Gordon)
I'm A Believer (Monkees)
Pandora's Heebie Jeebies (Association)
Snoopy Vs. The Red Baron
(Royal Guardsmen)

MARTIN & SNYDER
Dearborn, Michigan

1. Snoopy Vs. The Red Baron
(Royal Guardsmen)
2. I'm A Believer (Monkees)
3. We Ain't Got Nothin' Yet (Blues Magoos)
4. Words Of Love (Mama's & Papa's)
5. Sugar Town (Nancy Sinatra)
6. Single Girl (Sandy Posey)
7. Standing In The Shadows Of Love
(Four Tops)
8. Music To Watch Girls By
(The Crewe Group)
9. That's My Desire (Patsy Klein)
10. Bad Seed (Seekers)

MUSICAL SALES

MUSICAL SALES
Baltimore, Maryland
(I Know) I'm Losing You (Temptations)
Tell It Like It Is (Aaron Neville)
Snoopy Vs. The Red Baron
(Royal Guardsmen)
I'm A Believer (Monkees)
Mellow Yellow (Donovan)
I've Passed This Way Before
(Jimmy Ruffin)
I'm Your Puppet
(James & Bobby Purify)
Holy Cow (Lee Dorsey)
Standing In The Shadows Of Love
(Four Tops)
You Keep Me Hanging On (Supremes)
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You Keep Me Hanging On (Supremes)

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Newark, New Jersey
I'm A Believer (Monkees)
Winchester Cathedral
(New Vaudeville Band)
Snoopy Vs. The Red Baron
(Royal Guardsmen)
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That's Life (Frank Sinatra)
Devil With A Blue Dress On (Mitch Ryder)
Lady Godiva (Peter & Gordon)
Tell It Like It Is (Aaron Neville)
Born Free (Roger Williams)
Comin' Home Soldier (Bobby Vinton)

SINGER ONE STOP

SINGER ONE STOP
Chicago, Illinois
Winchester Cathedral
(New Vaudeville Band)
I'm A Believer (Monkees)
Kind Of A Drag (Buckinghams)
Snoopy Vs. The Red Baron
(Royal Guardsmen)
Breakout (Paul Revere)
East-West (Herman's Hermits)
Grizzly Bear (Youngbloods)
Mellow Yellow (Donovan)
You Keep Me Hanging On (Supremes)
Devil With A Blue Dress (Mitch Ryder)



DISK JOCKEY REPORTS



KFOX-Long Beach, California

- There Goes My Everything (Jack Greene)
 Dont Come Home A Drinkin'
- Dont Come Home A Drinkin'
 (Loretta Lynn
 Somebody Like Me (Eddy Arnold)
 It Should Be Easier Now (Ray Price)
 Where Is The Circus (Hank Thompson)
 Mr. Shorty (Marty Robbins)
 Game Of Triangles (Bare, Jean, Anderson)
 The Hurtin's All Over (Connie Smith)
 The Wife Of The Party (Liz Anderson)
 Bad Seeds (Jan Howard)

KWNT-Davenport, lowa

- Funny, Familiar, Forgotten Feelings (Don Gibson)
 Little Things Every Girl Should Know (Claude King)
- (Claude King)
 3. It's Beginning To Hurt (Billy Walker)
 4. Just As Much As Ever (Bobbi Martin)
 5. How Long Has It Been (Bobby Lewis)
 6. Country Boys Dream (Carl Perkins)
 7. Wife Of The Party (Liz Anderson)
 8. Somebody Like Me (Eddy Arnold)
 9. Stranger In The House (Cal Smith)
 10. Room In Your Heart (Sonny James)

DAVE EICHOR

KMA-Shenandoah, lowa

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 1. I Get The Fever (Bill Anderson)

 2. There Goes My Everything (Jack Greene)

 3. Touch My Heart (Ray Price)

 4. It Takes A Lot Of Money (Warner Mack)

 5. Sweet Thang (Nat Stuckey)

 6. Open Up Your Heart (Buck Owens)

 7. Almost Persuaded No. 2 (Ben Colder)

 8. The Hurtin's All Over (Connie Smith)

 9. Walking On New Grass (Kenny Price)

 10. Somebody Like Me (Eddy Arnold)

ROY STINGLEY

WJJD-Chicago, III.

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 1. There Goes My Everything (Jack Greene)
 2. Funny, Familiar, Forgotten Feelings (Don Gibson)
 3. Misty Blue (Wilma Burgess)
 4. Stand Beside Me (Jimmy Dean)
 5. Somebody Like Me (Eddy Arnold)
 6. Just To Be Where You Are (Wilburn Bros.)
 7. Bear With Me A Little Longer (Asitio Walker)

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 (Billy Walker)
 8. The Hurtin's All Over (Connie Smith)
 9. Little Things Every Girl Should Know
 (Claude King)
 10. It Should Be Easier Now (Ray Price)

FRED LEWIS

WSEN-Syracuse, N. Y.

- WSEN-Syracuse, N. Y.

 There Goes My Everything (J. Greene)
 Touch My Heart (R. Price)
 One In A Row (W. Nelson)
 The Company You Keep (B. Phillips)
 It's Only Love (J. Sealy)
 Who's Been Mowin' The Lawn
 (R. Pennington)
 I Get The Fever (B. Anderson)
 Funny, Familiar, Forgotten Feelings
 (D. Gibson)
 Mr. Shorty (M. Robbins)
 Country Boy's Dream (C. Perkins)

CARL GIBBONS

- RREB-Monroe, La.

 1. Room in Your Heart (Sonny James)
 2. Almost Persuaded No. 2 (Ben Colder)
 3. Sweet Thang (Nat Stuckey)
 4. Touch My Heart (Ray Price)
 5. Open Up Your Heart (Buck Owens)
 6. Bad Seed (Jan Howard)
 7. The Tallest Trees (Bonnie Guitar)
 8. Stateside (Mel Tillis)
 9. Long Time Gone (Dave Dudley)
 10. Blues Plus Booze (Stonewall Jackson)

JACK NORTH WEXL-Detroit, Mich.

- There Goes My Everything (Jack Greene)
 Somebody Like Me (Eddy Arnold)
 Funny, Familiar, Forgotten Feelings
 (Don Gibson)
 Where'd Ya Stay Last Night (Webb Pierce)
 Unmitigated Gall (Faron Young)
 The Hurtin's All Over (Connie Smith)
 How Long Has It Been (Bobby Lewis)
 Coming Back To You (The Browns)
 Another Story (Ernest Tubb)
 Misty Blue (Wilnie Burgess)

WTUF-Mobile. Alabama

- 1. There Goes My Everything (Jack Greene)
 2. Touch My Heart (Ray Price)
 3. Somebody Like Me (Eddy Arnold)
 4. Misty Blue (Wilma Burgess)
 5. Room In Your Heart (Sonny James)
 6. Game of Triangles (Bare, Jean Anderson)
 7. Another Story (Ernest Tubb)
 8. Don't Come Home A Drinkin'
 (Loretta Lynn)
 9. Open Up our Heart (Buck Owens)
 10. I Get The Fever (Bill Anderson)

RED SHIPLEY WKCW-Warrenton, Va

- NRCW—Warrenton, Va.

 1. There Goes My Everything (Jack Greene)
 2. Touch My Heart (Ray Price)
 3. Somebody Like Me (Eddy Arnold)
 4. Sweet Thang (Nat Stuckey)
 5. The Hurtin's All Over (Connie Smith)
 6. Game of Triangles (Bare, Jean, Anderson)
 7. Misty Blue (Wilma Burgess)
 8. Unmitigated Gall (Faron Young)
 9. I Get The Fever (Bill Anderson)
 10. Bad Seeds (Jan Howard)

IIM HARPER WKMF-Flint, Mich.

- 1. Mr. Shorty (Marry Robbins)
 2. Don't Come Home A Drinkin'
 (Loretta Lynn)
 3. My Heart's Not Expected To Live
 (Kay Tolliver)
 4. It's Only A Matter Of Time (Carl Smith)
 5. You Got Me Cryin' (Chuck Slaughter)
 6. I Never Had The One I Wanted
 (Claude Gray)
- I Never Had The One I wanted
 (Claude Gray)
 Misty Blue (Wilma Burgess)
 Where Could I Go-A Losers Cathedral
 (David Houston)
 Heartache On His Hands (Pal Brady)
 Homesick (Bobby Bare)

VERNE LOTZ SHEPPARD

- KOTA-Rapid City, S. Dak
- Somebody Like Me (Eddy Arnold) Long Time Gone (Dave Dudley) Room In Your Heart (Sonny James) Funny, Familiar, Forgotten Feelings
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 4. Funny, Familiar, Forgotten Feelings
 (Don Gibson)
 5. She Likes Attention (Warren Smith)
 6. Where Is The Circus (Hank Thompson)
 7. Open Up Your Heart (Buck Owens)
 8. Five Little Johnson Girls (Stonemans)
 9. Shoe Is On Other Foot (Marty Robbins)
 10. The Hurtin's All Over (Connie Smith)

MORISS TAYLOR

- KPAY-Chico, Calif.

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 Stateside (Mel Tillis)
 Longtime Gone (Dave Dudley)
 Sweet Thang (Nat Stuckey)
 Touch My Heart (Pav Price)
 Stand Beside Me (Jimmy Dean)
 Almost Persuaded No. 2 (Ben Colder)
 Barefoot Santa Claus (Sonny James)
 Coming Back To You (The Browns)
 Ride, Ride, Ride (Lvnn Anderson)
 Unmitigated Gall (Faron Young)

- WCMS-Norfolk, Va.
- There Goes My Everything (Jack Greene) How Long Has It Been (Bobby Lewis) Somebody Like Me (Eddy Arnold) Don't Come Home A Drinkin'
- Don't Come Home A Drinkin'
 (Loretta Lynn)
 Dumb Blonde (Dolly Parton)
 Between You And Me
 (Country Charlie Pride)
 Misty Blue (Wilma Burgess)
 Never Had One I Wanted (Claude Grey)
 Touch My Heart (Ray Price)
 Mr. Shorty (Marty Robbins)

- DAVE FISHER
 KSTV—Stephenville, Tex.
 It Takes A Lot Of Money (Warner Mack)
 Little Bit (Pauletta Leeman)
 Goin' Down The Road (Skeeter Davis)
 Open Up Your Heart (Buck Owens)
 Somebody Like Me (Eddy Arnold)
 Hooray For Me (Marti Brown)
 Make Like The Wind (Lonesome Rhodes)
 Heartbreak Hotel (Roger Miller)
 Won't Take Long (Melba Montgomery)
 Prissy (Chet Atkins)

REPNIE HARVILLE WOPA-Oak Park, III.

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 It Takes A Lot Of Money (W. Mack).

 Blue Side of Lonesome (J. Reeves).

 Touch My Heart (R. Price).

 Somebody Like Me (Eddy Arnold).

 The Hurtin's All Over (C. Smith).

 Soldlers Prayer (R. Melvin, G. Wells).

 Five Little Johnson Girls (Stoneman's).

 Where'd You Stay Last Nite (W. Pierce).

 A Present For Mommy (Haydon Thompson).

 Unmitigated Gall (F. Young).

DOUG MAYES

WBT-Charlotte, N.C.

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 There Goes My Everything (Jack Greene)
 Misty Blue (Wilma Burgess)
 Santa (Sonny James)
 Somebody Like Me (Eddy Arnold)
 Touch My Heart (Ray Price)
 Loser's Cathedral (David Houston)
 The Hurtin's All Over (Connie Smith)
 Hurt Her Once For Me (Wilburn Bros.)
 Once (Ferlin Hsuky)
 Bear With Me (Billy Walker)

Country LP Reviews

COUNTRY HITS

LEROY VAN DYKE-Warner Bros. 1652.

The best new country tunes of the past year or so are Leroy's focus on this new package—his second from Warner Bros. "Almost Persuaded," "I Love You Drops," "Don't Touch Me," "Flowers on the Wall." Slickly done.

TEARDROP LANE

NED MILLER-Capitol (S)T 2586.

Ned Miller has established himself as a country singer of note and a notewriter to sing about. He jaunts through a dozen of his own tunes, including "Teardrop Lane" and also "Summer Roses," "If Love Was Just a Song." Top drawer.





Separate Identities for Acuff - Rose

A major new drive has been launched by the Acuff-Rose music complex in Nashville to establish strong and separate identifications for the various firms within the organization. New directions are being set for Acuff-Rose Publications, Hickory Records and Acuff-Rose Artists Corporation as all three prepare to move into an elaborate new \$500,000 building in the spring of 1967.

According to Wesley Rose, President, a publishing drive has already been set in motion, in which the aims include broader use of Acuff-Rose material by disceries here and abroad, and development of new writing talent as well as continuing exploitation of the entire catalog. These moves involve increased participation in the professional area for both Rose and Bob McCluskey, Assistant to the President.

Their activities will be complemented by those of John Erdelyan and Don Gant, who will work with specific writers, acquire major label usages of Acuff-Rose songs and seek to develop new writing talent.

Licensee Change

DALLAS, TEXAS - Tom Brown of Vandanburg Music Corp. info's that the tune "Queen of the Road" has been transferred from Vandanburg Music Corp. (BMI) to Westcott Music (SESAC) "because of difficulty in clearing the song with a title so close to 'King of the Road.'"

Opry to Harrah's

Acuff-Rose Artists Corporation has pulled off a booking coup in a deal negotiated by A-R's Bob Dawes which will bring a troupe of major stars of WSM's Grand Ole Opry into the main room of Harrah's in Reno. Package opens a three-week engagement at Harrah's Reno Theatre Restaurant on Feb. 13.

The Opry troupe is comprised of Roy Acuff and the Smokey Mountain Boys (now on a Christmas tour of Armed Forces bases), "Cousin" Minnie Pearl, George Hamilton IV, Marion Worth, Lonzo and Oscar, Bob Luman and the Stoney Mountain Cloggers.

Sovine Upped

NASHVILLE - The recent promotion of Roger Sovine to Professional Manager of Cedarwood Publishing Co. is clearly a case of the son of Red "Giddy-Up Go" Sovine having "Giddy-Upped and Gone"... . careerwise. Affiliated with Cedarwood since 1965, Sovine succeeds Jan Crutchfield.

Toronto Taping

NASHVILLE - The final Toronto taping session for "Carl Smith's Country Music Hall" for 1966 featured Smith's close friend, Jimmy Dean.



Hot New Chart-Buster

Johnny Wright

"MAMA'S LITTLE JEWEL"

Decca 32061



By PAUL PERRY

Big year-end Music Row news is that Bob Johnson debuts local A & R residence for Columbia Records. The former New York producer for the company adds much glamour to the Nashville sound.

Listened with enthusiasm to Charlie Walker's new Epic waxing to be singled right away a couple of days ago. For a long time this fellow has been one of the bigger turntable attractions and is coming out with one called "The Town That Never Sleeps" written by Autrey Inman and A & R'd by Billy Sherrill. The lad credits his name being added to the roster of talent for the San Antonio fat stock show and rodeo as the biggest break of his career. Charlie along with Judy Lynn and her western swing outfit will provide the talent for the event slated for Feb. 9-19. Booked as one of the three top rodeos in the world, this is the

show that got Rex Allen rolling in show biz.



Paul Perry

Jan Hospitalized with Fatigue

Decca artist Jan Howard spent a few pre-Christmas days in a local hospital recuperating from fatigue. Her physician advised her to slow down on her travels for a while. Northern Ohio TV and radio personality Ethel Delaney motored into town last week for a session at Columbia Studios. A single is expected to come

from this around mid-January and both sides are Central Songs. On her studio session were Lloyd Green, Pig Robbins, Glen Davis, Fred Carter, Jr., Sonny Day and Junior Huskey a group of talented musicians. The Swiss Miss Yodeler will have her first on the new Ohio label.

Shelby Singleton, who just ended a long and successful association with Mercury, was in town last week and announced that he and wife Barbara are anticipating a visit from the stork in June.

Stu Basore and Ruby Wright have rejoined the Johnny Wright-Kitty Wells show. Stu is the steel guitarist who left the show for a stint with Ray Price's Cherokee Cowboys and Ruby is, of course, the talented Epic artist who went on her own for a while but decided to go back with the giant C & W package which jets out for overseas Jan. 4. Troupe also includes Bobby Wright (formerly of "McHale's Navy" TV fame) and Decca artist Bill Phillips.

Jack Clement's office has announced a January session for Murv Shiner of "Peter Cottontail" fame for MGM.

Teen-ager Morris West (the son of RCA songstress Dottie West) has formed a high school combo on which he's laid the title of "The Heartache Juniors." Morris is a student at a local high school.

Traveling Texan Billy Walker is taking enough time from his tours to supervise—along with his wife Boots—the structure of a new home in suburban Nashville. Billy says that 1966 has been his most successful year, both recording and personal appearance-wise. Warner Brothers showman supreme Leroy Van Dyke awarded us with a couple of big stories last week. He and his group the Auctioneers leave for Germany Feb. 3 and he and wife Sue are expecting an addition to the clan soon.

Johnny Reminds of Jim

A new Duel release came out last week by a new artist named Johnny Blue. Johnny is from Wartburg, Tenn., is only 20 years old, and startles folks with his similarity to Jim Reeves. This one was produced locally by Leon Beavers and P. O. Box 812, Nashville, is where to write for copies. Major label negotiations are underway. Heard from Bernie Harville, who spins C & W music to the Chicagoland area at night over WOPA, AM & FM, Oak Park, Ill. He conveys word that their FM outfit will be upped to 50,000 soon. His show is billed as "The Country Side of Midnight" and all labels and artists are welcomed.

Starday is very excited over two new singles shipped last week.

Frankie Miller's "She's My Antibiotic" and "Raven Black" by

Betty Amos with Judy & Jean. Early reaction indicates rapid

success for these two.

Carl Smith winged out of here last Sunday for the final taping session of his "Carl Smith's Country Music Hall" for 1966 in Toronto. Carl's special guest on the show was Jimmy Dean. The majority of Dean's appearances are now handled by the local Moeller Talent firm.

Skeets McDonald's new one, "Mabel," certainly has all the folks at Columbia as well as Central Songs in a turmoil. Local Central rep Happy Wilson reports Fantastic response on this one, and I can well see why.

St. Louis LP



A souvenir LP of St. Louis, "Meet Me in St. Louis," has been released by Norman Records containing various location sounds of the city and featuring such St. Louis entertainers as Charlotte Peters, Marty Bronson, Russ David, Ceil Clayton, Jim Bolen, Joe Schirmer, Clea Bradford, Davey Bold, Stan Kann, Sal Ferrante, Bob Kuban and Singleton Palmer. Norman Wienstroer, above, left, President of the label, presents the first copy to Major A. J. Cervantes. Robert Hausfater, right, is President of Roberts Record Distributing Co. who will handle distribution in the area.

Doner Co. Named

DETROIT — Stereodyne Inc., Troy, Mich., duplicators of 2, 4 and 8-track monaural and stereo tape cartridges, has named W. B. Doner and Co. to handle its advertising, marketing and sales promo. Agency account exec is Daniel Reschar.

It's Official



Happy smiles were on the familiar faces recently at Nashville's Belmont Baptist Church. The wedding of Barbara Stoneman Asbury and Jerry Monday marked the official entry of Monday, a member of the performing Stonemans, into the family circle.

Philips' 'How To...'

CHICAGO—The best-selling book, "How To Avoid Probate," will be supplemented by a long playing record. Philips Records Product Manager Lou Simon announced that an album will be released around Jan. 1, 1967, featuring the author in his own album, "Norman Dacey Tells How to Avoid Probate."

Jerome Nam, local independent producer, represented Dacey in negotiating the Philips album deal.

UK Disks to US

RCA has released two singles in the U.S. currently on British charts: "My Mind's Eye" by the Small Faces and Rita Pavone's "Heart."



Bob Silverman, VP and General Manager of Marcable and Tamarin Music Companies, announces that he has concluded arrangements with the following composers for acquisition of material: David Raksin, Ernest Gold, Paul Francis Webster, and Bronislau Kaper. Silverman also announces the acquisition of the Teddy Charles catalog.

Del Serino announces the signing of the English Setters to Peer-Southern Productions. They're a self-contained unit who write their own material.

Sparton of Canada, Ltd. has appointed Keith W. Archer as record salesman for Toronto and Eastern Ontario, announces Larry Page, VP and Manager of the record division.

Starnell Associates, New York-based artists representatives firm helmed by Sidney Lucas, is on an open door policy in the signing of new talent for records, TV and clubs. Policy has already paid off via Tony Sara, singer-songwriter whose first effort on the Starnell-owned Marney Records is "Love Sick Beggar."



WHERE DOES THE GOOD TIMES GO (Blue Book, BMI) THE WAY THAT I LOVE YOU (Blue Book, BMI)

BUCKS OWENS AND THE BUCKAROOS—Capitol 5811.

This hit-making outfit asks some questions that will get sales for answers. Buck & Co. can't miss.

I WON'T COME IN WHILE HE'S THERE (Metric-Terran, BMI) MAUREEN (Acclaim, BMI)

JIM REEVES-RCA Victor 47-9057.

Wistful and lilting country tune about a country triangle. Sure to be a top hit.

> SIPPIN' ON A SUD (Starday, BMI) A POOR BOY'S DREAM (Starday, BMI)

WADE JACKSON—Starday 789.

Sizzling country tune here about a guy sipping on a sud. And he won't be crying in his beer at the sales action.

FUEL TO THE FLAME (Combine, BMI) YOU CALL THIS LOVE (Moss Rose-Crestmoor, BMI) SKEETER DAVIS—RCA Victor 47-9058.

Gal is in love and tells about it on a pretty ballad. Watch Skeeter score with this.

THERE'LL BE NO TEARDROPS TONIGHT (Fred Rose, BMI) THEY'LL NEVER TAKE HER LOVE FROM ME (Fred Rose, BMI) HANK WILLIAMS—MGM 13630.

Swinging little country singalong Hank leads amiably. Prospects are for sales sunshine.

> ALL OF ME BELONGS TO YOU (Bluebook, BMI) MY SIDE OF THE NIGHT (Bluebook, BMI)

DICK CURLESS—Tower 306.

A pretty ballad that Dick reads sensitively. This guy is building a strong of well done singles.

> ROCKS IN MY HEAD (Bluebook, BMI) TRAPPED (Central, BMI)

KAY ADAMS—Tower 305.

Coin in the register will be the outcome of Kay's "Rocks." Upbeat and likeable.

DADDY WHERE IS MOMMY (Yonah, BMI) HALF INDIAN, HALF BULLDOG (Peach, SESAC)

CHARLIE SMITH—Chart 1405.

The wife has walked out and Charlie as the husband, jerks tears with this one about a lonesome child.

> STAMP OUT LONELINESS (Four Star, BMI) ROAD TO RECOVERY (Turp, BMI)

STONEW ALL JACKSON—Columbia 4-43966.

Stonewall and a chorus have a jolly tune about a guy wanting to get back with his girl.

> YOU DON'T HAVE TIME FOR ME (Pamper, BMI) EASY TO SAY, HARD TO DO (Pamper, BMI)

CHUCK HOW ARD—Boone 1049.

Two attractive country ballads nicely rendered. Either could go far for Chuck.

> SUBTRACT HIS LOVE (B & W. BMI) LET'S PRETEND (Stringtown, BMI)

CHRISTY LANE—K-Ark 717.

Relatively new country gal has a sweet voice and should get far as she sings this ditty.

Klein Agency To Larger Quarters

NASHVILLE - Since moving to Nashville last summer, the Jimmie Klein Agency has doubled its artist roster and has recently moved to expand its operating space.

Formerly in the RCA Victor Bldg., Klein is now located at 1014 17th. Ave. S., with a new phone number-244-3737-but the mailing address remains P. O. Box 9334, Nashville, 37213. Current artist roster for the agency includes exclusives on Connie Smith, Stu Phillips, Warner Mack and Lonzo and

Partygoers

Swainsboro, Ga., is the operational base of the Denny-Pierce radio station chain and is therefore the location of the annual Christmas party for the chain, directed by Manager Johnny Bailes.

Guests from Nashville who attended this year's affair included Bill Denny, John Denny, Dolly Denny, Mr. and Mrs. Webb Pierce and Max Powell.



TOP POP-5 YEARS AGO JANUARY 1, 1962

- 1. THE LION SLEEPS TONIGHT
 The Tokens—RCA Victor
 2. THE TWIST
- Chubby Checker—Parkway
 3. WALK ON BY

- 4. CAN'T HELP FALLING IN LOVE
- 5. PEPPERMINT TWIST
- Joey Dee and the Starliters—Roulette
 6. RUN TO HIM
- 7. WHEN THE BOY IN YOUR ARMS
- Connie Francis—MGM 8. I KNOW
- 9. HAPPY BIRTHDAY SWEET 16
- 10. PLEASE MR. POSTMAN
- The Marvelletes-Tamlo

TOP R&B-5 YEARS AGO

JANUARY 1, 1962

- 1. THE TWIST
- 2. I KNOW
- Barbara George—AFO
 3. PLEASE MR. POSTMAN
- 4. PEPPERMINT TWIST
- 5. TURN ON YOUR LOVELIGHT
- 6. UNCHAIN MY HEART
- 7. THE LION SLEEPS TONIGHT
- 8. JAMBALAYA
- -Imperial 9. POOR FOOL
- 10. REVENGE

Brook Benton-Mercury

Taxes & Burton Dinner

The Friends of Robert J. Burton, an informal, all-industry committee now engaged in a campaign to establish a Burton Memorial Fellowship at Columbia University, last week stressed the importance of the timing of gifts to the drive in order to take maximum advantage of tax considerations.

Although the dinner dance, the proceeds of which will be used in setting up the Burton Fellowship for study and research in copyright law, will not be held until March 21, it was noted that contributions for places or tables at the affair, extended now, would be deductible against taxes declared for the current year.

For those many firms or individuals who have enjoyed a good year of profits in 1966, the advantages of making the contribution of \$50 per plate or \$500 per table of 10, before Dec. 31, are obvious. According to the committee, 70% of each subscription is tax deductible.

"We know," said Morris Levy, committee chairman, "that most of the responsible people in our industry, with an awareness of its needs, are going to get behind this tremendously worthy affair. It's obvious that the sooner the pledges and checks are received, the sooner we can be sure of the success of our drive to reach the \$100,000 we need to establish the Fellow-ship."

The dinner dance, being planned for 2,000 guests, will be held in the Imperial Ballroom of The Hotel Americana on Tuesday evening, March 21.



Thanks To All For A Great Year And . . .

Shooting Up The Charts For 1967

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Sincere BB 8336

M. & M. Promotions, R.R.2 Jackson, Mich.

Perils of Del

With several hit records, countless stage appearances and three movies under his belt, United Artists Records' Del Reeves has finally drawn the line on the lengths that one man can be forced to go in sacrifice for the sake of film

Recently seen in the movie, "Gold Guitar." where he was asked to sing from the ledge of a tall building with gale force winds whipping around him and no safety net below, Reeves is now starring in "Cottonpickin' Chickenpickers" filming in Florida, where in one scene he is supposed to wrestle with a "tame" alligator. Paraphrasing the title of his current UA single, Reeves commented. "This Must Be the Bottom," and politely declined any body contact with the scaly monster. Producer Jackson is now trying to locate a rubber stand-in for

Dottie's New LP

NASHVILLE - The January schedule for Dottie West includes a recording session of material for a gospel album, "Dottie West Sings Sacred Ballads."

Fredana Lets Artists Create

NEW YORK - Fred Weintraub, President of Fredana Management, reveals the firm has drawn commissions on gross earnings of over one and one half million dollars in 1966. Weintraub attributes this success to the firm's talented



specialists who coordinate their activities in semi - weekly staff meetings and handle the details in-volved in booking their Fred Weintraub clients for ap-

pearances. Thus, the artists are left free to create, undisturbed by business concerns.

Billy Fields, one of Fredana's key specialists, is account exec for the Four Seasons (Philips), Neil Diamond (Bang) and Leon Bibb (Mercury).

Bryan Sennett similarly handles the Serendipity Singers, recently signed to U.A., the Bitter End Singers, Atco, and Tower's Jake Holmes.

Bea Marx is pr coordinator, and Fredana also maintains an outside publicity man who handles the complete office. Marilyn Lipsius, travel coordinator, handles all travel arrangement in conjunction with the road managers.

This year Fredana's artists performed at more than 400 Fredana concerts. Management aids in the promotion of the record and the staging of the act. For example, the Serendipity Singers' new road show, "The Popendipity Happening," was conceived and staged by Sennett and the recent comedy skits in the Four Seasons' act were created by Fields.

Forms Action Images

Weintraub also has announced formation of Action Images Corp., headed by Steve Wolfe which, aimed at the ever-growing youth market, will design complete promotion programs for advertising agencies and the marketing departments of national manufacturers.

The Uncalled for Three, a new comedy act developed by Fredana, has just been signed by Sullivan Productions, Inc., which also produces CBS-TV's "The Ed Sullivan Show," for a 1967 pilot, "The Pickle Brothers," for ABC.

Nash Plans Mapped

NEWYORK - Clarance Avant, head of Sussex Productions, has called a meeting with Sussex National Promotion Director George Williams to map out strategic plans for Johnny Nash, whose new MGM recording "Amen" is proving a hit.

Club Review:

Ondine Groups

NEW YORK - Ondine's, an East Side bopping bistro, last week mothered yet another rock group, the New Denims. A group with the usual vociferous but good tonal qualities, it was headed by Steve Curry, an extremely dramatic lead singer who cavorted with unusually good stage presence. Instrumentalizing "Midnight hour" and singing "Satisfaction," the Denims were enjoyed by all.

The rather anti-climactic appearance of the Criterions, a dancing-singing quintet deliver-ing "Uptight" in fine style, nevertheless blended with the New Denims to add the finishing touches to an evening well spent for our Skating genera--Rick Allen. tion.

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4	5	LPM-3628: LSP-3628 WE FOUND HEAVEN RIGHT HERE DN	
		EARTH AT 4033 George Jones— Musicor MM-2106: MS-3106	7
5	7	Musicor MM-2106: MS-3106 LEAVIN' TOWN Waylon Jennings—RCA Victor LPM-3620: LSP-3620	10
6	8	ANOTHER BRIDGE TO BURN Ray Price—	16
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14	16	Porter Wagoner—RCA Victor LPM-3593: LSP-3593 HAPPINESS IS YDU Johnny Cash—	9
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24	14	THE DRIFTER Marty Robbins—	16
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		EVERYTHING Jack Green— Decca DL-4828: DL-74828	1.
28	28	WHEELS AND TEARS Kay Adams— Tower T-5033: ST-5033	4
29	(—)	BIG BEN STRIKES AGAIN Ben Colder—	1
30	26	THIS IS MY STORY Hank Snow—RCA Victor	8
		LPM-6014: LSP-6014	

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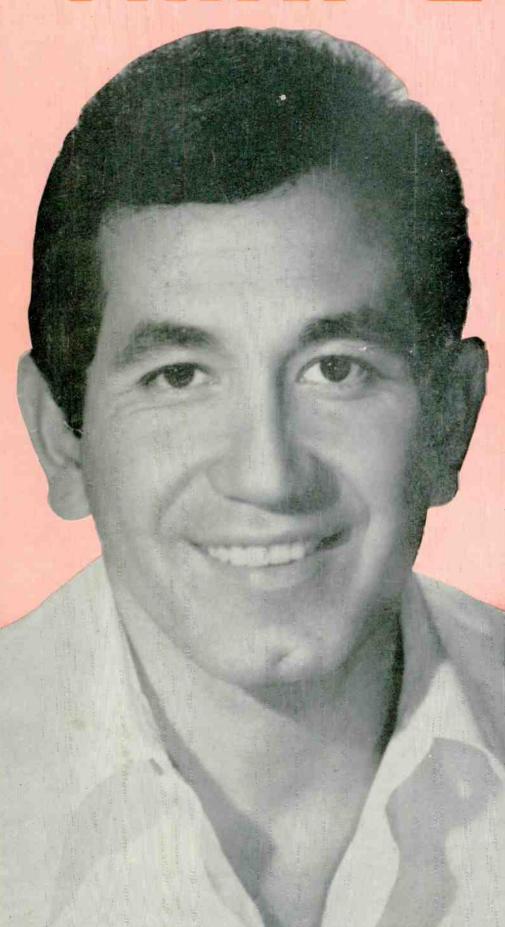
This Wk.	Last Wk. 31 Dec	Wks. on Chart	This Wk.	Last Wk. 31 Dec	Wks. on Chart
1	1	THERE GOES MY EVERYTHING 13	39	40	CALL HER YOUR
2	3	Jack Greene—Decca 32023 THE HURTIN'S ALL OVER 12 Connie Smith—RCA Victor 8869			SWEETHEART 10 Frank Ifield—Hickory 1411
3	2	TOUCH MY HEART 13 Ray Price—Columbia 43795	40	45	MR. DO-IT-YOURSELF 5 Ray Pillow & Jean Shepard— Capitol 5769
4	4	GAMES OF TRIANGLES 12 Bobby Bare, Norma Jean,	41	44	NEVER HAD THE ONE I WANTED 5
5	7	Liz Anderson—RCA Victor 8693 MISTY BLUE 9 Wilma Burgess—Decca 32027	42	55	Claude Gray—Columbia 32039 GREEN RIVER 5
6	6	UNMITIGATED GALL 12 Faron Young—Mercury 72617	43	54	Waylon Jennings— RCA Victor 9025 WHAT'S COME OVER
7	8	DON'T COME HOME A DRINKIN' 9		•	MY BABY 5 Dottie West—RCA Victor 9011
8	9	Loretta Lynn—Decca 32045 HOW LONG HAS IT BEEN 12 Bobby Lewis—	44	20	GOIN' DOWN THE ROAD 11 Skeeter Davis—RCA Victor 8932
9	5	United Artists 50067 SOMEBODY LIKE ME 13	45	48	JUST BETWEEN YOU AND ME 4 Country Charlie Pride— RCA Victor 9000
10	10	Eddy Arnold—RCA Victor 8965 STATESIDE 14	46	66	YOU BEAT ALL I EVER SAW 2 Johnny Cash—Columbia 43921
11	11	Mel Tillis—Kapp 722 STAND BESIDE ME 10 Jimmy Dean—RCA Victor 8971	47	59	HULA LOVE 2 Hank Snow—RCA Victor 9012
12	19	FUNNY, FAMILIAR, FORGOTTEN FEELING 8	48	34	VOLKSWAGEN 13 Ray Pillow—Capitol 5735
13	13	Don Gibson—RCA Victor 8975 WHERE'D YA STAY	49	32	FIVE LITTLE JOHNSON GIRLS 14 Stonemans—MGM 13557
14	10	Webb Pierce—Decca 32033	50	42	CONSIDER THE CHILDREN 6 Bonnie Guitar—Dot 16969
14	16	BEAR WITH ME A LITTLE LONGER 7 Billy Walker—Monument 980	51	52	COUNTRY BOY'S DREAM Carl Perkins—Dollie 505
15	15	THIS MUST BE THE BOTTOM 12 Del Reeves—United Artists 50081	52	53	THAT'LL BE THE DAY 8 Statler Bros.—Columbia 43868
16	17	WHERE IS THE CIRCUS 10 Hank Thompson— Warner Bros. 5858	53	56	MAMA'S LITTLE JEWEL 3 Johnny Wright—Decca 32061
17	18	WHERE COULD GO 5 David Houston—Epic 10102	54	57	BURNING BRIDGES 2 Glenn Campbell—Capitol 5773
18	12	SWEET THANG 7 Nat Stuckey—Paula 243	55	58	APARTMENT #9 2 Tommy Wynette—Epic 10095
19	14	ALMOST PERSUADED #2 14 Ben Colder—MGM 13590	56	()	HAPPY TRACKS 1 Kenny Price—Boone 1051
20 21	30 36	MR. SHORTY 8 Marty Robbins—Columbia 43870 ONCE 5	57	61	TEARS WILL BE A CHASER FOR YOUR WINE 2
22	24	Ferlin Husky—Capitol 5775 A WOMAN NEVER FORGETS/	58	43	APARTMENT #9 13
		ONLY ME AND MY HAIRDRESSER 12	59	60	SAD FACE 4
23	23	ANOTHER TIME, ANOTHER	60	70	Ernie Ashworth—Hickory 1428 LOSER'S CATHEDRAL 2
24	20	STORY, ANOTHER PLACE 12 Ernest Tubb—Decca 32022	61	63	ONE DREAM 4
24	28	DON'T LET THAT DOORKNOB HIT YOU 7 Norma Jean—RCA Victor 8989	62	64	Slim Whitman—Imperial 66212 LITTLE THINGS THAT EVERY
25	26	MOTEL TIME AGAIN 10 Johnny Paycheck—		41	GIRL SHOULD KNOW 5 Claude King—Columbia 43867
26	27	Little Darlin' 0016 RIDE RIDE RIDE 12	63	41 68	BAD SEED 15 Jan Howard—Decca 32016 OFF AND ON 3
27	29	Lynn Anderson—Chart 1375 HURT HER ONCE FOR ME 7	65	65	OFF AND ON Charlie Louvin—Capitol 5791 WALKIN' SHADOW
28	33	Wilburn Bros.—Decca 32038 IF THE WHOLE WORLD	"	υJ	TALKING MEMORY 5 Carl Belew—RCA Victor 8996
0.0	25	STOPPED LOVING 8 Roy Drusky—Mercury 72627	66	()	DIESEL SMOKE, DANGEROUS CURVES 1
29	35	WIFE OF THE PARTY 5 Liz Anderson—RCA Victor 8999	67	67	Red Simpson—Capitol 5783 SAME OLD ME LOVIN'
30	37	OUR SIDE Van Trevor—Band Box 371			SAME OLD YOU 4 Carl Butler & Pearl— Columbia 43869
31	31	HOMESICK Bobby Bare—RCA Victor 8988	68	()	HEART FULL OF LOVE 1 Johnny Dallas—Little Darlin' 0013
32	22	OPEN UP YOUR HEART 22 Buck Owens—Capitol 15705	69	69	STRANDED 2 Jim Nesbitt—Chart 1410
33	25	I GET THE FEVER 19 Bill Anderson—Decca 31999	70	74	THE KIND OF WOMAN I GOT 2 Osborne Bros.—Decca 32052
34 35	21 39	Warner Mack—Decca 32004	71	72	SHOOT LOW SHERIFF 2 Cash McCall—Sincere 8336
35	39 47	SEVEN DAYS OF CRYING 8 Harden Trio—Columbia 43844 A WANDERIN' MAN 3	72	()	I CAN'T TAKE IT NO LONGER 1 Hank Williams, Jr.—MGM 13640
35	47	A WANDERIN' MAN Jeannie Seely—Monument 987 SOMEONE TOLD MY STORY/	73	75	PICKIN' UP THE MAIL Compton Bros.—Dot 16948
31	+ 0	FUGITIVE 3 Merle Haggard—Capitol 5803	74	()	FIRST WORD 1 Eddy Arnold—RCA Victor 9027
38	38	CLASS OF '49 9 Red Sovine—Starday 799	75	()	
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