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\$\$ Registers Play Home on the Range

Golf Driving Business Soars Like Balls, Yet 4,500 Operations Are Just a Start

By CHARLIE BYRNES before.

amusement picture.

of all sizes and types are currently out almost three buckets in one in operation, experts in the field hour for which he'll pay \$2.25. On says the surface hasn't yet been a course that has 25 tees, considscratched. They predict that the ered close to the average, the opday is not far distant when a golf- erator could gross over \$55 per driving range will be available in hour. An evening's play generally every sizable community. ticipating golfers (an estimated ernoon sessions which appeal to 5,000,000 now play the game) and housewives and youngsters. Addithe bulge in golf course construc- "ional important revenue is gained tion (over 1,000 new ones were from lessons, a pro shop and eatopened in 1955) are major factors and-drink concessions. in the growth of the stop-and-sock game. It's pointed out, however, that in addition to golfers, a large driving range is the land and buildpercentage of range patrons are ings which vary greatly accordnon-golfers who have become regu- ing to local values and the type lars at hitting the rubber-covered pill just for recreation.

1925 by two devotees of the sport CHICAGO-The whistle of golf who were interested in introducing balls as they soar down driving to the multitudes the thrill of hitranges is making cash registers ting a golf ball and who also saw ring on a bigger scale than ever the profit possibilities in the operation.

Golf driving ranges, conceived Revenue potential from ranges some 30 years ago, are on the up- varies according to size and locasurge and are playing an ever- tion. In the Chicago area, a bucket increasing role in the outdoor of from 50 to 55 balls generally sells at 75 cents It's pointed out Altho an estimated 4,500 ranges that an average patron can knock lasts about three hours but this can The increased number of par- be augmented by promotion of aft-

MUSICAL TEAM **KEEPS 'BELLS'** ALBUM RIGHTS

NEW YORK-In a precedent-setting move, Adolph Green, Betty Comden and Jules Styne this week informed the backers of their forthcoming Broadway musical for Judy Holliday, "The Bells Are Ringing," that they are retaining all album rights on the show.

According to veteran music men, this marks the first time album rights have been withheld from backers of a musical and may very well set a precedent for future Broadway productions. Heretofore, album rights - even on Cole Porter and Rodgers and Hammerstein shows - were automatically included in backer contracts, along with movie rights, etc. The Comden-Green-Styne decision to withhold album rights from the backers is believed to have been inspired by the astronomical sales figures reported by Columbia on its original-east "My Fair Lady" album. Whereas show albums in the past were never considered really, hot properties sales-wise (in contrast to to a best-selling single), the (Continued on page 39)

TV Viewers to Win In Networks' Game Of Program Chess

(ABC)

Competition to Result in Stronger Line-Ups of New, Better Shows

By LEON MORSE

NEW YORK --- The coming battle for program supremacy on network TV during the season of 1956 57 promises to be the most interesting yet. NBC-TV, CBS-TV and ABC-TV have all spent the spring and summer revamping ning of the week: and beefing up their line-ups. All the public in the fall.

have been made by ABC TV. But NBC-TV and CBS-TV have not been idle. Both have revamped their schedules "adically, while presentation of "Sir Lancelot" at anxiously watching each other's 8 p.m., followed by "Stanley" at moves. The trade will be keeping 8:30 p.m., will give The Most its eves on at least two dozen time Beautiful Girl in the World" a periods that will contain new prop- strong audience inheritance with erties or programs that have been which to buck the long-running re-slotted.

quiz, that enjoyed great success last year. Many of these programs will be up against stiffer competition, and many, a year older, may have to look to their laurels.

the summer summer solution and

PRICE: 25 CENTS

Here is the way-the network sweepstakes shape up each eve-

MONDAY: CBS will stand pat of which means better viewing for with last season's line-up, which dominated the evening. NBC has The largest number of changes o erhauled 8-9:30 p.m. completely. ABC has virtually doee the same. NBC obviously hopes that its "I Love Lucy."

Coast-to-Coast Trend

The trend is coast-to-coast. The ranges are mushrooming in almost all 48 States as well as Canada. One direction of growth has been as added revenue at drive-in theaters, while other are being constructed near public and private golf courses. Among the most important locations, however, are suburban amusement centers which, in addition to ranges, often include miniature gol! courses, Kiddielands and archery and baseball batting ranges, to name a few elements.

Today's 4,500 ranges are the outgrowth of one built in Cleveland in

Golfing Aided **By Automation**

CHICACC -- Colf driving ranges have come a long way since first introduced some 30 years ago. A fully automatic range is being constructed by Holmes Cook near Bay Shore, N. Y. The balls are picked up by a tractor unit, dumped into a machine that washes and dries them, then conveys them to the tee line. Insertion of a 50cent piece starts the cycle of balls which are teed up from beneath the driving mat.

Joseph Schuler, who operates an amusement center near Rochester, N. Y., has a double-decked tee at his driving range. There are 75 tees in all-25 upstairs, 25 under the elevated platform and another

Land Is Major Cost

Major cost in establishing a (Continued on page 71)

On Trial

Also on trial next season will be various formats, such as music and

NEWS OF THE WEEK

Moves Indicate Auto Firms Are Reconsidering TV Cutback . . .

The withdrawal of automobile advertisers from television may not be as extensive as originally feared by some quarters. For instance, both Chrysler and Plymouth are known to be actively seeking additional program buys-one of them on network, the other in the national spot area.Page 2

20th Century-Fox Eyes Release Of Rest of Movies to Video . . .

20th Century-Fox reportedly is giving serious consideration to releasing the remainder of its feature film backlog to television. Matty Fox's C&C Television and Ely Landau's National Telefilm Associates are said to be actively bidding for the 20th Century-Fox library. Page 8

Record Racks Move Into A&P's, Pave Way for Industry Acceptance . . .

The Atlantic & Pacific grocery store chain is putting record racks into its thousands of retail outlets across the country, thereby opening up a tremendous new market for disks and leading the way to full acceptance of record racks by the powerful grocery chain industry. Page 37

RCA Victor Sets Heavy Push On Fall Best Buy Album Program . . .

RCA Victor's annual fall Best Buys album campaign features extra discount dating, 100 per cent exchange privilege on selected packages and a group of six catalog items to be sold at 25 per cent discount. 28 new LP packages, 14 each in pop and classical fields, including multi-disk groupings, highlight the program. Two 12-inch samplers of highlights of the new merchandise, retailing at \$1.49 each, will allow dealers a full 38 per cent markup..... Page 38

Showmen Get Long-Awaited Relief From Federal Tax . . .

A long-awaited Federal tax relief was granted to outdoor and indoor showmen when President Eisenhower signed a bill eliminating the 10 per cent levy on admissions below 90 cents. Admissions of 50 cents or less were freed from the tax in recent years. Benefiting from the measure are operators of grandstand shows, circuses, minstrel units, pools, rinks, movie theaters and other showmen. Page 71

Weather Hits N. Y. Resorts But Keeps Coins Jingling in Gotham Juke Boxes . . .

Cool, wet weather keeps Gothamites at home, but Manhattan music operators do better than last summer, especially the cozy neigh-

Distribs See Another 200-Selection Juke Box Unveiled in Chicago . . .

The fourth juke box manufacturer to bow a 200-play machine, Rock-Ola Manufacturing Corporation, formally displays its new model for its distributor organization. Page 98

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Welk Show

ABC's strongest bid will be made 9:30-10:30 with the second Lawrence Welk show. Considering Welk's record during the past season, he is bound to cut into the NBC and CBS audiences, but may not do as well as expected unless his new show is completely different from his Saturday night stanza,

TUESDAY: All the networks have made changes, the most radical being CBS and NBC. CBS has inserted "The Brothers" at 8:30 p.m. and Herb Shriner at 9 p.m. to take advantage of Phil Silvers' strength at 8. NBC will do battle armed with "The Big Surprise" at 8 p.m. and "Noah's Arl" at 8:30. "Surprise" will have to show great strength to battle Silvers, who should do better next season, his second. The revamped version of "Break the \$250,000

(Continued on page 15)

Specs Stet for Next Season

NEW YORK - Approximately the same number of spectaculars will be programmed during the coming season as last. CBS-TV continues with its "Ford Star Jubilee" on Saturday nights. NBC-TV will have a Saturday night spectacular, also "Producers' Showcase" on Mondays, and on Sundays a series of six "Hallmark Presents." NBC had intended to offer a Friday night series, but the idea did not pan out.

ABC-TV has blueprinted several spectaculars for next season, but opinion in the trade is that the network will have trouble selling them.



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HAPPY ENDING DUE **On 2d Thought, Auto Firms** May Change Minds Re TV

mounting that several auto manu- ered some hard-sell presentations series. The it's canceled its half facturers are reconsidering their to the Detroit executives, paid off. sponsorship of NBC's "Producers' downbeat attitude towards TV. Indications are that before the next however, which have still not in-placed that program with NBC's few weeks are over, the television dicated a desire to embrace the Tennessee Ernie show. medium will see some major last- TV medium next season with the minute buys by car companies.

known to be seeking additional TV programming purchases are Plymouth, which is looking for a per- sponsorship of NBC's Saturday and its half sponsorship of Danny sonality around whom to wrap an night spectaculars by 50 per cent; Thomas. Chrvsler, De Soto and hour variety show, and Chrysler, Buick dropped its sponsorship of Plymouth will also be given about which is interested in a half-hour CBS' Jackie Gleason and is now as much TV representation next show to be aired in some 30 major committed only for sponsorship of season as they had this past if markets on a national spot basis.

Erickson, has recommended to its alternate-week, hour drama watching how General Motors does show, "Playwrights '56." The industry will be carefully watching how General Motors does against Ford and Chrysler in the show, instead, but apparently Chrysler is still set on taking the national spot route.

Another likely prospect is Studebaker-Packard, which recently merged with Curtiss Wright, a move which has put the company back into operating condition. The firm several months ago was forced to give up its sponsorship of ABC-TV's "TV Reader's Digest" because of its desperate financial straits. Now that it's on firm financial footing again and is all set to remain in business, it's likely that the firm will again seek to show its wares on TV.

GM Renewal

fervor they did last year are the owner of a new hour-long Law-Among the auto companies now General Motors divisions of Olds- rence Welk show (in addition to mobile, Buick and Pontiac.

a one-shot Monday night NBC plans materialize.

Ford Renewals

be spending about as much money badly in comparison to Ford's and in TV next season as they did this Chrysler's, the blame will undoubt-

NEW YORK -- Evidence is upon Detroit recently and deliv- ries of specs and its "Ford Theater" Among the auto companies, Showcase" series of specs, it's re-

> Similarly, Dodge will be the the one it had this year), which Oldsmobile has cut back its will replace its "Break the Bank"

sale of 1957 cars. If General Mo-Other companies, however, will tors' share of the market slips past year. Ford, for instance, has edly be largely laid to GM's dras-renewed its "Ford Star Jubilee" se- tic cutback of its TV advertising.



NEW YORK--Three deals are the price, and whether the netcurrently hanging fire at M-G-M work feels the product would at-1 v for its feature films. They are tract advertisers in sufficiently ficial, which has achieved consid- that he worked in the publicity Indicative of the auto industry's with ABC-TV for its "Famous Film large numbers. Last season's "Fare-awakened interest in the TV Festival," with National Telefilm mous Film" features were promedium is last week's renewal by Associates for the NTA Film Netduced in Britain. General Motors of NBC's "Wide work and with CBS-TV for its The purchase of M-G-M TV Wide World" for several of its di- owned and operated stations product for Ely Landau's NTA visions. It was initially feared that WCBS-TV, here; WBBM-TV, Chinetwork would add luster to its cago; KNXT, Los Angeles, and programming. How many pictures troit's downbeat attitude towards WXIX-TV, Milwaukee. are wanted is not known. The CBS deal would probably provide the largest source of reveweek from McCadden Productions company, however, renewed the nue, an estimated \$15,000,000 to to handle sales on the West Coast \$20,000,000 for a library of 725 for M-G-M TV. Apparently, the recent efforts of features. The price for New York alone is said to run about \$7,000,ing, NBC-TV and ABC-TV, each 000. In the event CBS is not willing to spend heavily enough to buy the entire library, a deal for selected M-G-M features might be worked out. WCBS-TV recently bought 150 top pictures from Warner Bros. thru Associated NEW YORK-In spite of the Frank, Harry Kurnitz and Carroll Artists and paid an estimated \$10,000 per feature. occasional weak spectacular which Carroll. All of these writers have hasn't drawn audiences, Nat Wolff, Number Not Set NBC-TV program topper, believes into series or spectaculars, and The deal with ABC would infirmly in the future of this type of Kurnitz has a potential Broadway volve a large group of features to vehicle. Frank and Panama last program. Wolff said regardless of be shown on its Saturday night their success or failure up to the "Famous Film Festival," 7:30-9. present, they have proved one How many pictures would be used Broadway's "Reclining Figure," thing - that audiences need and is not known, but it could be 26 or want change. 52 or even more depending upon Wolff maintains that viewers are interested in the big story as long GT Names Campbell as it is presented well. He de-NEW YORK - Wendell R. clared that Hollywood was the a Benrus consultant, vetoed the Campbell has been named national first mechanical entertainment medium to popularize the long story, sales manager of General Teleraand the pay-off was phenomenal. dio's owned and operated radio He pointed to the success that and TV properties. He will work reportedly having trouble clearing is ready to pay \$250,000 to top with H. R. and Adam Young, reps David Selznick had with his long movies such as "Gone With the of the GT stations. stations for "Break the Bank," Wind." "There's nothing wrong with ectaculars that a few hits can't re," he remarked. "You are bound have failures in every medium, stated. "Even Rodgers and ammerstein have had their flops go along with Oklahoma!"

KIDS HELP ABC COVER CONFAB

CHICAGO--Kids, too, are helping ABC cover the Democratic convention here. Their daddies are representing the net, and their offspring are serving as copy boys and girls. There's John Charles Daly, 18, and John Neal Daly, 16, sons of John Daly. Tom Velotta's daughter Virginia, 18; James Beach's daughter Valerie, 16, and Ernest Walker's son Ernie, 18.

WCBS to Strip

NEW YORK-As a result of the success with daytime stripping of "My Little Margie" and "Amos 'n' Andy" film reruns, WCBS-TV here has purchased 130 rerun episodes of the Stu Erwin show from Official Films for daytime stripping. No time slot has yet been selected for the new film rerun strip show. The other two shows air back to back, 9-10 a.m. across the board.

The Stu Erwin show initially aired first run on ABC-TV. It ended its network career last year and afterwards was turned over to reruns for daytime stripping, put network. the show on the market early this summer following a concentrated sales campaign on "My Little Margie," which also was sold for daytime stripping. To date, Official has sold "My Maurie Gresham was hired last Little Margie" in 145 markets and the Stu Erwin show in about 45 markets, practically all of them for across-the-board airing.

produced "That Certain Feeling"

for Paramount; Kurnitz' last was

and Carroll Carroll is one of the

top dialog writers in Hollywood.

'Bank' Trouble

NEW YORK--Pharmacraft is

which it expects to slot 7-7:30

p.m. on the CBS-TV network. The

Autry vidfilm series last season.

time was occupied by the Gene

The problem seems to be that

the live quiz show makes more

clearance demands on the network

than Autry did with his film stanza,

NEW YORK --- Writer-director

In Clearance

OPPENHEIMER

'Sis' Series First Task For NBC

NEW YORK --- The first Jess Oppenheimer half-hour project for NBC-TV will be a series titled "Sis." It is the story of an impressionable girl who has the responsibility of bringing up a younger sister and brother and the conflicts with her boy friend over their handling.

Initial planning projects the series over a two-year span during which the girl gets married and the boy-friend-now-husband becomes responsible for the kids. He then will turn into the heavy.

Oppenheimer is also working on a dramatic project based on the 10 Commandments. The series will be hour dramatic shows by name writers and with name acting talent.

Bernstein Joins BB; Singer Quits

NEW YORK --- Bob Bernstein has joined the television staff of The Billboard, replacing Jack Singer who leaves at the end of this week. Singer is going to the ABC-TV network, where he will function in the sales development department under Bert Briller.

Bernstein comes to The Billboard from Guild Films, for which he has handled public relations under Lou Shainmark since February, Official Films for syndication. Of- 1955. For over two years prior to erable success in the sale of film department of the Du Mont TV

General Motors, in line with De-TV, would cancel or cut back its sponsorship of the show. The auto show in its entirety.

the Television Bureau of Advertisof which independently descended

Benrus Breaks 'Bank' Ties

NEW YORK-Benrus this week pulled out of its next season's sponsorship of "Break the Bank" on the NBC-TV network, Tuesdays 10:30-11. This leaves the web with Lanolin Plus as the alternate week bankroller of the stanza, and with another advertiser needed to get the show off the ground.

Reports are that Milton Biow, project for the watch company because the line-up of stations was not big enough. "Break the Bank" winners.

City

Nat Wolff Backs Future **Of Well-Staged Specs**

More Planning

since it could be juggled around Wolff said that the answer to and put elsewhere. tter spectaculars was more planng and the use of better creative ent. "TV," he remarked "is now Al Lewis will succeed Hal Kanter ginning to attract that kind of as producer and head writer of talent. They used to write TV the George Gobel show. Lewis off." and Kanter previously collaborated

He disclosed that the network on the Danny Kaye radio show had just come to agreements with and worked together in Armed Norman Panama and Melvin Forces Radio.

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TV PROGRAMMING

Screen Gems Adds 2 Shows

NEW YORK--Two more propertics, one of which appears to be geared for regional and local syndication, have been selected by Screen Gems for production. The two new properties bring the total of shows Screen Gems is planning to produce for sale next year to 12. All but one, however, are be ing aimed at national advertisers and probably would not go beyond the pilot production stage if no! Solel.

The new first-run syndication property is "Johnny Nighthawk," an adventure series about two former Air Force pilots who are op erating a commercial flying busi-THISS.

The other new property, planned for national sponsorship only, is "Casey Jones," an adventure series about a railroad man involved in the westward push of the railroads at the turn of the century.

Both shows will be produced by Briskin Productions this fall for sale after the first of the year.

NBC Strikes Gulf Oil Snag

NEW YORK --- NBC-TV has had a problem with Gulf Oil this week. The sponsor agreed to move "Life of Riley" into 8:30-9 on Friday night from 8-8:30, because NBC was to program spectaculars 8:30-10 once monthly and it wanted weekly exposure. The plan has been changed and now Chevrolet will use 9-10 Friday on NBC for its Bob Hope-Dinah Shore series once monthly. Coll wants its earlier half hour back, but the network has found that many stations have sold local syndicated shows in the Gulf Friday night spot, since the advertiser does not want to buy a full network. Gulf's distribution west of the Mississippi is weak and therefore it does not use many stations in the Far West and Mountain States.

NBC, Revlon, Set 'Beautiful' NEW YORK -- NBC-TV last

week firmed up the Revlon purchase of Monday 9-9:30 for "The Most Beautiful Girl in the World" after a week of squabbles. The March.

March would emsee "Most Beauiful Girl," but he is not available. NBC then persuaded Revion to get diversify their big shows this sea- produced by the Old Vic Company. tself a big name emsee for the how. Names being mentioned are Ray Bolger, Bob Sterling and Peter Lawford. Revlon has also oought alternate weeks of "Big story" on NBC, Friday nights 9:30-10, which will be shared with Pall Mall.



NEW YORK--The Toni Company has agreed to use only two of its products, Bobbi, its home permanent, and Pamper, its shampoo, on its alternate week sponsorship of "Stanley," NBC-TV, Mondays, 8:30-9 p.m. Reports are that Revion, which follows with "The Most Beautiful Girl in the World," did not want Toni to expose competing products such as lipstick. American Tobacco also has half of "Stanley."

Toni, interestingly enough, will also spousor half of Arthur Godfrey's "Talent Scouts" on CBS-TV Monday nights at the same time sharing him with Lipton products. It will therefore compete against itself, but may be able to alternate its sponsorship so that there is a minimum of direct competition, tho NBC's Monday night spectacular will make it impossible for an absence of competition.

Nets Eye Diversified Specs; **Originals Getting Brush-Off**

HOLLYWOOD -- Success of senting an ice spectacular. such spectaculars as "The Caine | January ?, "Lysistrata," a some- by Executive Producer Jack Rayel bone of contention had been Hal Mutiny Court Martial" and "Peter what daring subject for TV and are "Three Men on a Horse" and Pan," as against the mediocre rec- sure to cause comment. The network had expected that ords chalked up by most original February 4, "Mayerling," drama

musicals and so-so Broadway re- by Anatole Litvak.

son.

proven properties, more name nanced. dramas, and more special events. April 29, "Cinderella" ballet. able change, with the music and also a Frank Merriwell spec. There chorus line shows taking a beating, still will be some original musicals,

Coming up are:

liams Aquacade which premiered by Sammy Fain and Jack Brooks, in London and which the web is but not nearly in the number of last underwriting. vear.

liam Wyler will stage.

Garson Kanin producing.

Shoes," smash hit on Broadway of Oz.' several years ago.



creations, is causing the nets to March 4, "Romeo and Juliet,"

seems to be undergoing a consider- cast the Roy Rogers Rodeo. There's weekly shows.

NBC, which was outspectacu- such as "The Lord Don't Play Fa-

lared in the ratings by CBS in 1955- vorites," with Kay Starr and Louis '56, is taking the lessen to heart. Armstrong; "Jack and the Bean- casts to be produced for TV; stalk," by Helen Keutsch and Jerry September 29, the Esther Wil- Livingston, and "The Soft Touch,"

October 15. "The Letter," drama, At CBS-TV, the "Ford Star which motion picture producer Wil- Jubilee" line-up is still somewhat vague, with only the first three October 28, "Born Yesterday" having been set. However, "Ford on "Hallmark Hall of Fame," with Star Jubilee" will again concen-Mary Martin in the lead role and trate on proven properties. In fact, one of its shows will be M-G-M's November 24, "High Batton successful theatrical film, "Wizard

The other two properties already December 10, "Festival of Mu- set are Sidney Kingsley's "Men in White" and a show devoted to December , Sonja Henie pre- Cole Porter's music. Among the

other properties being considered "The Last Tycoon."

ABC Specs

ABC-TV's spectaculars, tho they will never get off the ground unless they're sold, will take a some-April 1, "The Great Sebastians," what off-beat tack, according to There'll definitely be more Broadway play which the net fi- the most recent plans. Indications are, however, the web isn't pushing its specs too hard, preferring to Generally, the character of the spec In addition, it's planned to tele- concentrate on selling its regular

On its availability lists, however, are such specs as "Ballet Ballads," a show composed of various ballets; two Metropolitan Opera tele-Tchaikovsky's "Nuteracker Suite" ballet. "The Honey," starring Ethel Waters and Eartha Kitt; "By Jupiter," a musical starring Ray Bolger, and "Playboy' of the Western World," starring Julie Harris.



Sponsors Eye Sun. Alternate

NEW YORK --- NBC-TV has two possible prime sponsorship prospects to alternate with "Wide Wide World," Sundays, 4-5:30 next season. Helene Curtis would like to buy half of an hour Bolger show, which would go somewhere in the hour and a half. The network would probably use a halfhour show to fill the vacant alternate weeks.

considering the purchase of 10 Bowling Day has been created, time and talent. Batten, Barton, Durstine & Osborn is the North American Aviation agency.

Winckler Heads CBS **Production Operations**

NEWYORK --- E. Carlton Winckler will take over the post of Bill Lillard and Anita Cataline and clude the American Bowling Con- Knows Best." director of production operations the rest of the nation's bowlers. for CBS-TV instanter. He has

J. Leonard Series For Kine at NBC

NEW YORK--NBC-TV is proseries starring comedian Jackie for "Mr. Peepers."

the 1920's.

1957-'58 Comedies NEW YORK -- Screen Gems, Stephen Longstreet; "Tom, Dick whose programming and sales and Harry," an Irving Briskin Pro-

CHAMPION PUSH White Owl to Roll Big **Promotion on Bowling**

ambitious promotions in the history cases, medals and charm bracelets. properties on which to shoot pilots of network TV is being staged by the General Cigar Company, mak- mated \$100,000. General Cigar completed pilots ready for showing er of White Owl Cigars, for its will use a network spot campaign to sponsors by the beginning of Sunday night "National Bowling involving the use of such person- 1957. Champions" telecast 10:30-11 on can Red Cross.

Since there are an estimated 20,000,000 bowlers in America, the promotion which involves their participation may go a long way the program. Highlight of the Nawide handicap competition between all-star bowling titleholders

been production manager of the bowl on the show on October 14. prietors' Association of America. CBS-TV program department since Their challengers will bowl be-March, 1953. His replacement will tween September 24 and October for the promotion. It has been Pathe Laboratories, and Lew be Robert Milford, associate pro- 13. Entrance fee, 50 cents, will be said that its creation was a factor Mansfield was named plant manduction manager of the network's turned over to the ARC. Prizes in the renewal of the show. Young ager of Pathe's New York lab.

North American Aviation also is the NBC-TV network. A National National Bowling Day on TV. It situation comedies in the properties will also present a closed-circuit selected so far for pilot production "Telescope" documentaries at an whose aim is to build audiences telecast on September 8 to be- indicates that Screen Gems' crystal estimated cost of \$2,000,000 for and to raise money for the Ameri- tween 31 and 35 stations where ball gazers foresee a resurgence of the promotion will be sold to demand and/or lack of supply of White Owl dealers, ARC workers this type of show next year. and local station executives.

also make personal appearances in weighted with kid properties. i.e., toward stimulating their interest in four cities - New York, Chicago, "Rin Tin Tin," "Circus Boy," "Ad-Cleveland and Los Angeles-where ventures of the 77th Bengal Lanctional Bowling Day is a nation- they will bowl exhibitions and ers," "Capt. Midnight" and "Tales meet the press. Other organiza- of the Texas Rangers." It has only tions involved in the promotion in- one situation comedy sold-"Father gress, Women's International Bowl-

Lillard and Miss Cataline will ing Congress and the Bowling Pro-

plans usually have a farsighted ob- ductions property; "Call McCall," jective in mind, apparently is bank- a Dave O'Brien-Mitch Hamilburg ing on considerable sponsor de- property; "Adventures of Ali and mand for situation comedy series Baba," a Sam Bischoff show; "You ducing a kine of a new half-hour for the 1957-'58 network season. 'Can't Take It With You," a carry-Of the 10 new properties the over from this year's batch of Leonard and created by writer firm has thus far lined up for properties, and "Girls About David Swift, who was responsible production of pilots for sale next Town," another Sauber property. year, seven are situation comedies. The three non-situation comedy It is a story about a salesman- They are "Shore Leave," to be shows Screen Gems is planning to promoter who sells cosmetics in produced by Harry Sauber; "Mol- turn into pilot form are "The lie and Me," to be produced by Web," a Coodson-Todman mystery property; "Capt. Charlie's Showboat," a musical series packaged by Briskin, and "Ivanhoe," an adventure series to be shot in England, for which no producer has vet been found.

Looks for More

Tho casting and production plans are not yet completed, indications are that most of these pilots will be produced. Screen NEW YORK--One of the most 300 bowling balls and carrying Cems is still seeking additional The promotion will cost an esti- in line with its plans to have 20

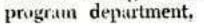
alities as Arlene Francis to promote The heavy leaning towards

The firm's roster of network Miss Cataline and Lillard will shows sold thus far is heavily

HOLLYWOOD - Arthur]. Miller was appointed general man-The advertiser has high hopes ager of Eastern operations for Both were named last week. 1

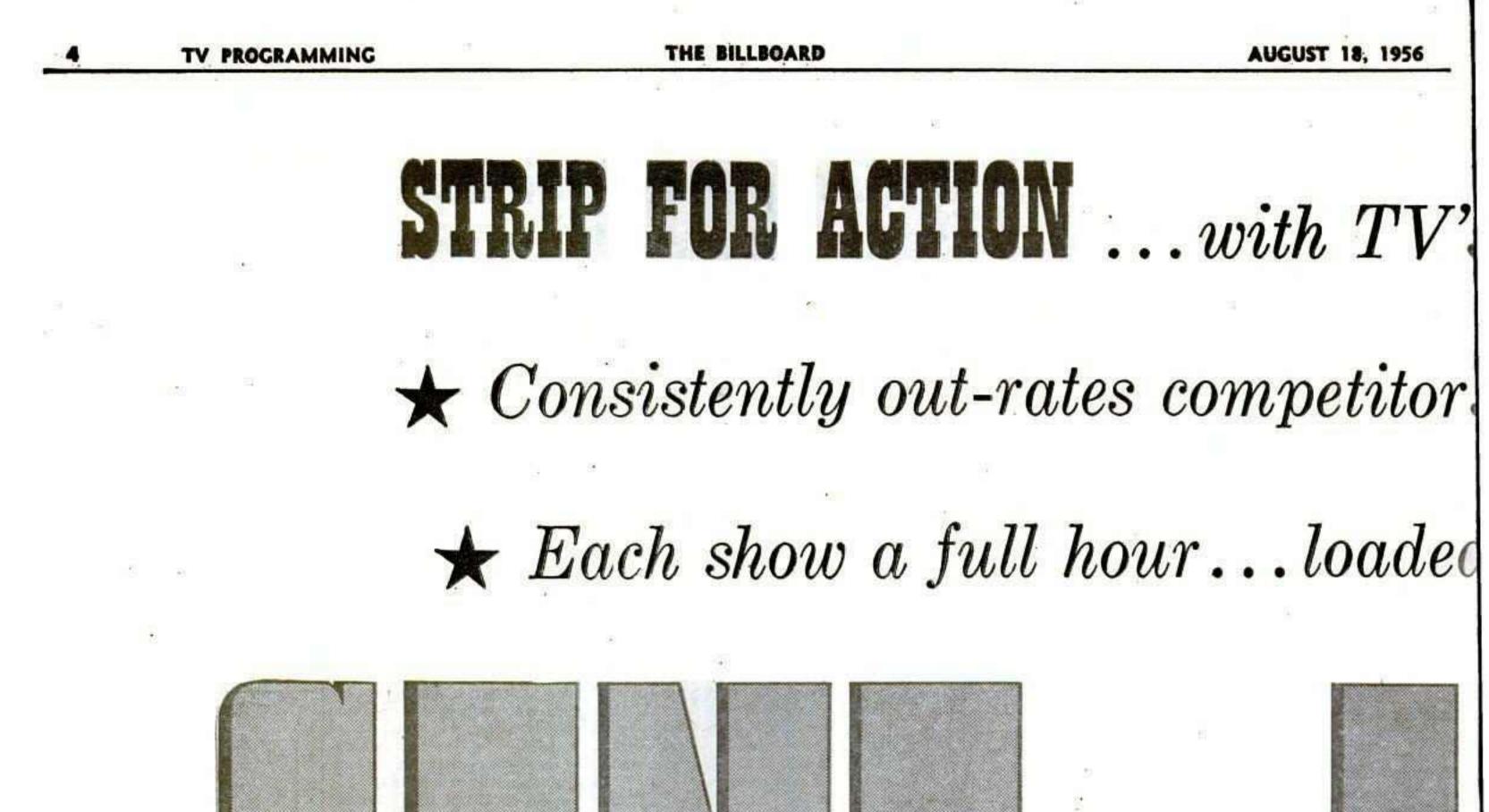
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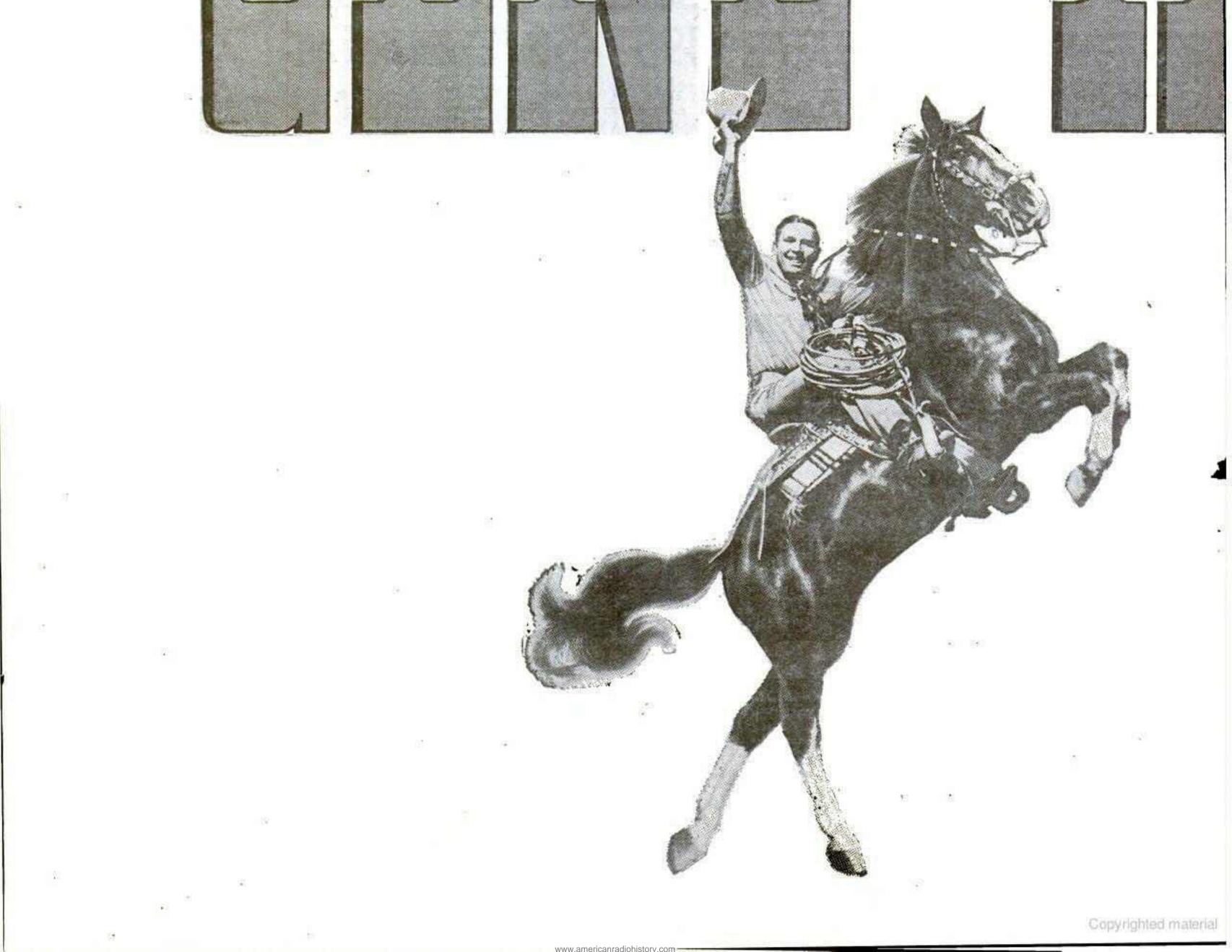




will be 10 vacations in Mexico, & Rubicam is the agency.

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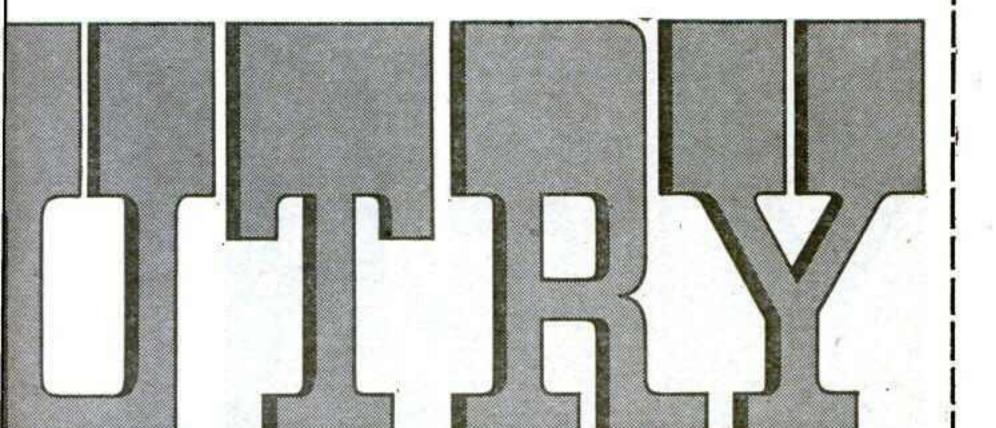


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STATIONS! Buy this series along with MCA TV's Western Features starring Roy Rogers (next page) for a rootin'-tootin'shootin' package of 123 first-run, year-round . spot carriers.





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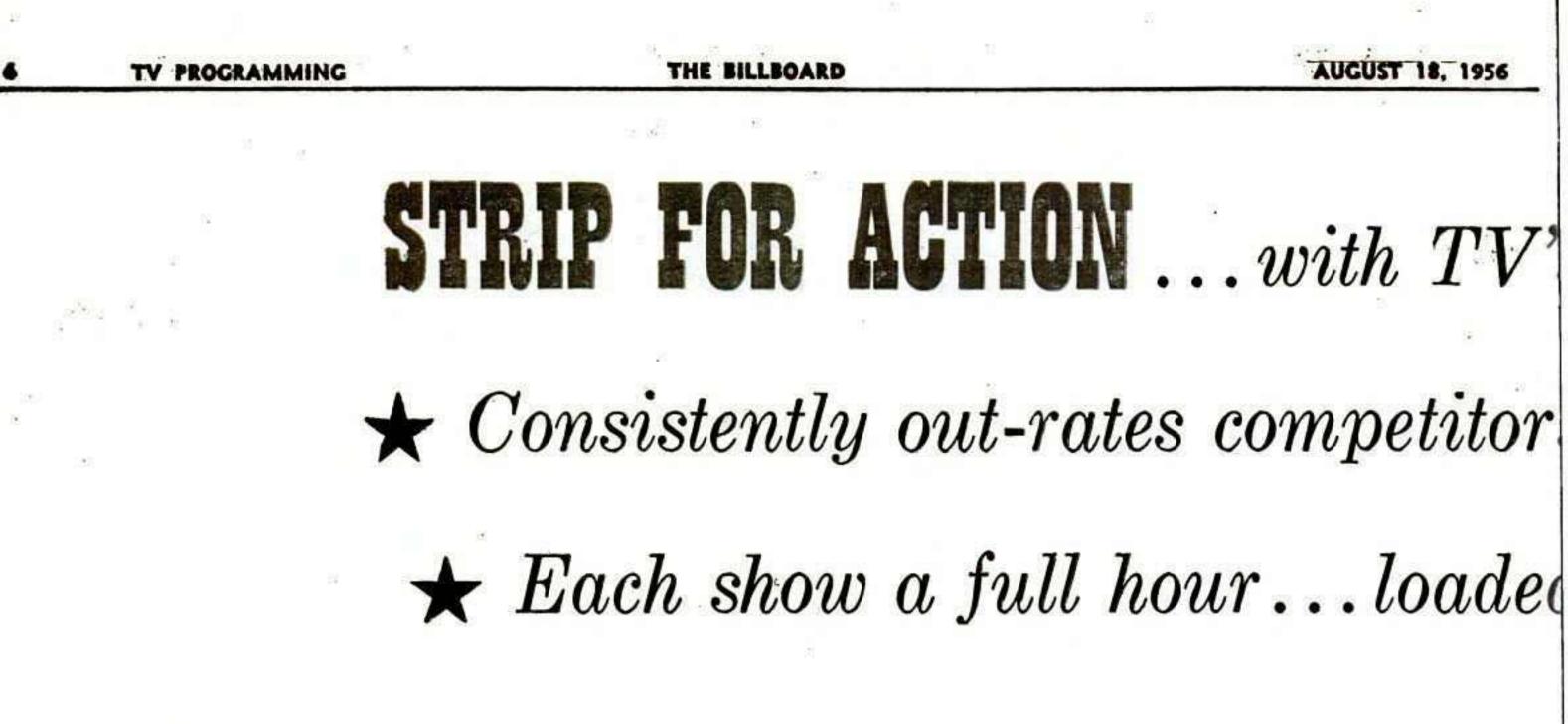
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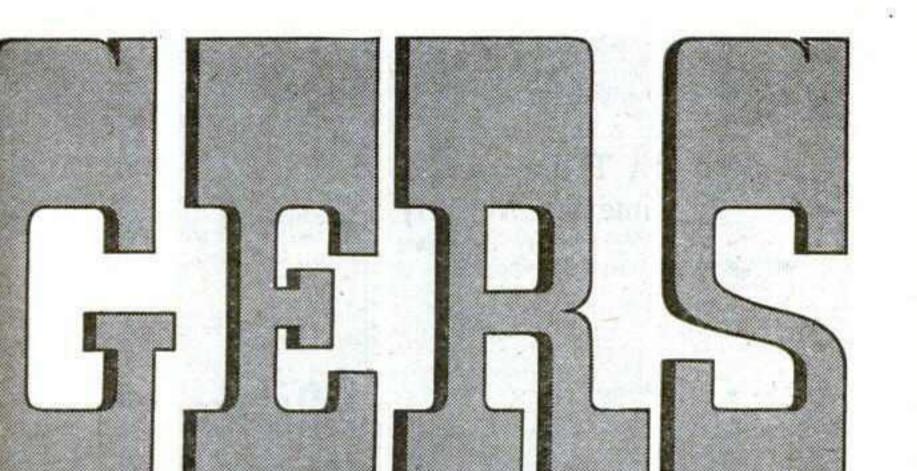






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> National spot advertisers galore-all ridin' high with the "Best from the West"... Wonder Bread, Nabisco, My-T-Fine, Baker's Chocolate, Bosco, Toni, Revlon, Beeman's Gum, Robert Hall Clothes, Snow-Crop (more on previous page).

> > THE ALE

* Who's afraid of the big, bad Mouse?

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AUGUST 18, 1956

Next Deluge of Features Due From Fox's Library of 758

C&C Corp., NTA in Bidding; PRM May Too; Tab Near \$35 Million

NEW YORK-The next deluge Whalen, Vivian Blaine, of feature film product for TV is Haymes and Jeanne Craine.

likely to come from 20th Century- What NTA or Matty Fox intend would give stations more than Fox. Two important feature film to do with the pictures is not enough film for the next year or distributors, Matty Fox's C&C Tele- known, except that NTA would two. vision and National Telefilm Asso- most likely put them into distribuciates are said to be bidding for tion before Fox, whose RKO library the films they can get their hands the library of 758 features, all pre- would undoubtedly take sales on. The fact that Fox's RKO library 1948 product, with the reported priority, the he could still make can be bought via barter allows asking price said to be in the deals for the new library if he stations to retain their capital, and neighborhood of \$35,000,000. It is acquired it. not known whether Lou Chesler's PRM Corporation, the owner of the Warner Bros. product dison the bidding, but it may be it.

It is not known whether the library would include short subjects, but it would give the buyer the complete rights to all the features. This would include foreign rights, rights for remakes, for TV and theatrical purposes and other subsidiary rights.

National Telefilm Associates has already bought a package of 52 features from 20th Century-Fox and has sold them in many markets. Fox has done well in moving his library of RKO features to an estimated 30-50 stations.

Two Left

Should the 20th Century-Fox features come into TV, it would fall, tho some are looking ahead is on the look, and reportedly had leave the medium with only two toward January kick-off dates. major untapped sources of theatrical films. They are Paramount which have brought the situation Pictures and Universal-International, both of which have put some by the failure of the "Blondie" films into TV distribution. Since sale to Wesson Oil Company and the beginning of 1956, when the deluge really began, 1,813 pictures have been made available to TV They came mainly from RKO, uled to take the program in ap-Warner Bros. and M-G-M. The 20th Century-Fox roster of stars, pre-1948, contained such names as Alice Faye, Tyrone Power, Don Ameche, Sonja Henie, Cesar Romero, the Ritz Brothers, Betty Grable, John Payne, Michael

Sponsor Deal?

tributed by Associated Artists, is in Latex or with another important concluded. What the 20th Centurysponsor who might be willing to Fox library would do to prices in assumed that it, too, is considering pay him a large amount, so that a the feature film market is an innew barter arrangement might be teresting speculation.

Dick offered to stations. But the addition of the 20 Century-Fox library

They are, however, buying all they are spending some of it for Warner Bros. product. The M-G-M Fox might also try to work out features have just appeared on the another deal with International market. No station sales have been

AN EVEN DOZEN **Regional Sponsors** Looking for Shows

HOLLYWOOD---An even doz- is searching for a property for 20en sponsors are, today, on the prowl odd markets, and may be interested for syndicated programs. Most in a Ziv-TV show. National Biscuit would like to go on the air this Company (McCann-Erickson) also

The series of circumstances materialized. about were culminated last week

nibbled at "Blondie," tho nothing

In addition to these, Magnavox, pilot some time ago. Schlitz, H. P. Hood & Sons, and Miles Laboratories (The Billboard, July 28) are interacted in minimum right of the syndication for the fall, Interacted in minimum right of the syndication for the fall,

Gross-Krasne Hires 3 V.-P.'s; Brahm in N. Y.

NEW YORK-Following thru with their plans to distribute their film shows themselves, Gross-Krasne last week hired three new executives and appointed them vice-presidents of the firm.

Bob Brahm, formerly Eastern sales manager for Screen Gems and most recently a sales executive with General Artists Corporation, which handles 20th Century-Fox's TV shows, was named vice-president in charge of the New York office.

Irving Field, formerly with Guild Films, was appointed vicepresident of the Western division. Mel Shlank, who had been with Gross-Krasne's theatrical film operations, was also named a vicepresident, with headquarters in Los Indianapolis, and WTCN, Minne-Angeles.

Regional sales efforts will be launched shortly on Gross-Krasne's Warner Bros. cartoons and Popeye first new series, the "O. Henry Playhouse." Eight films have al- KPHO, Phoenix, Ariz.; KREM, ready been produced. The show Sacramento, and WTCN, Minnestars Thomas Mitchell as host and apolis. as actor in several of the dramas. Additional series are being planned.

Ziv Trying to Get Time for 'Mystery'?

HOLLYWOOD --- Ziv-TV last week reportedly attempted to clear station time for an unnamed property in which a national spot sponsor is interested. It's believed that the program is "I Love a Mystery," on which the syndicator filmed a



NEW YORK--Five more stations have bought packages of Warner Bros. features from Associated Artists Productions, bringing the total number of markets in which Warner Bros. features have been sold close to 50.

KNXT, CBS-TV's Los Angeles o&o, picked up 104 features, while four other stations each bought a package of 52 pictures. These outlets are WARM, Scranton, Pa.; WBTV, Charlotte, N. C.; WFBM, apolis.

Associated Artists also sold its shorts to three stations last week-

The purchase of the Warners features by KNXT makes L. A. the sixth market in which Associated has sold Warners pictures to two stations. KTLA in that city previously had bought 52 Warner Bros. films from Associated. New York is another such case. Here, WCBS bought 150 films, while WABD bought 60. San Francisco is another city where a similar situation exists. Of course, different features are bought by each station.



'Crises' to Go **On NBC in Jan.**

HOLLYWOOD---"Impact," retitled "Crisis," knocked off NBC-TV for the fall by "The Most Beautiful Girl in the World," will go on the web in January, replacing a show now on the air. Reportedly the producers of the program to get the axe haven't been notified yet, and the web is being extremely hush-hush about the matter.

Production on "Crisis," of which five are already in the can, will resume September 15, with a total of 13 to be ready by the end of the year.

"Crisis" will give the Al Simon-McCadden combination two January replacements, with "Courage" probably stepping into the "Crusader" slot for Camel's.

Carnation to Run 'Cochise' in West

HOLLYWOOD -- Carnation Milk Company last week reportedly bought "Sheriff of Cochise," NTA-Desilu syndicated program, for several Northern West Coast markets. Carnation sponsors "Annie Oakley" on a national spot basis, but has not had the series in the Northwest.

"Cochise" previously had been sold to Socony Vacuum, White King Soap, and A-1 Beer for regionals.

Sunkist (see story elsewhere.)

Wesson (Fitzgerald ad agency of New Orleans) had been schedproximately 60 markets and must now find a replacement. Sunkist (Foote, Cone & Belding), taking the plunge into regional TV for the first time, is also looking for an alternate show to plug its product.

In the West, Gallo Wine (Doyle, Dane & Bernbach) needs a program for about 30 markets. Richfield Oil (Hixson & Jorgensen), sponsoring "Mayor of the Town," will need a new show by January.

Langendorf Bread (Compton) had been holding talks with TPA on "Last of the Mohicans," but apparently has made no decision yet and needs a program for 14 markets. Standard Oil Company of California, in negotiation with Guild Films for "Captain Grief," similarly has not decided yet but will have to have a new series for 15 or 16 cities in January.

Fuller Paints (Young & Rubicam)



HOLLYWOOD --- California National Productions, Inc., will begin production November 1 on "Citizen Soldier," a series of 39 half-hour films based on authentic dramatic incidents that happened to G.I.'s during World War II. The series is being done in co-operation with the Army and the Department of Defense, and battle backgrounds will be obtained from the Signal Corps library.

Shooting will take place along the Rhine, with G.I.'s now over their playing the role of their World War II counterparts. William L. Lawrence will organize a staff and select the stories.

CNP recently acquired rights to Tarzan.'

July 28) are interested in picking and shot a pilot on "Martin Kane" up syndicated series. in England this summer.

MORE FOR TV

Guild, Fox Discuss Pix, Cartoon Deal

NEW YORK-Guild Films is stock until it reaches a certain negotiating a deal to bring it a figure, said to be \$6 per share. It planned. The theme is to combine large amount of old syndicated and is now selling below \$4.

cartoon product. In exchange for about 500,000 shares of Guild Film stock, Matty Fox would turn make syndicated library deals. It over to Guild seven different series, plus about 145 cartoons produced by Walter Lantz. The syndicated series were produced by Fox for his Motion Pictures for Television operation.

The half-hour series and the estimated number of films in each are "Duffy's Tavern," 39; "Sherlock Holmes," 39; "Janet Dean," the Ella Raines vehicle, 39; "Paris Precinct," 26, and "Flash Gordon," 26. Quarter-hour series are "Junior Science" and Tim McCoy, with 26 films in each.

The Walter Lantz cartoons are highly valued by Guild in light of projected as the TV series to kick half the show, and Sunkist a fourth. its success with "Looney Tunes," which it bought from Warner Bros. and which have been racking up big ratings.

MPTV Folds

MPTV went into the syndication business Septenber, 1953, but turned the product over to UM&M in October, 1954. UM&M was to pay Fox \$3,800,000 when it raised money via a projected stock deal which failed to materialize, and UM&M went out of business.

Only two of the series have had national spot deals. They are Bromo Seltzer, the "Janet Dean" bankroller and Shulton for "Paris Precinct."

'Tracer' Pix

NEW ORLEANS -- From the files of the Tracers Company of America, a missing persons firm, comes a new half-hour film series being produced by MPA-TV, the TV sales division of Motion Picture Advertising. The series is called "The Tracer," with Jim Chandler in the title role.

So far 26 are in various stages of completion, with another 13 solid family drama with a mystery Guild will probably use the Fox type of suspense. Each show will carry a slide of the names of some missing persons being sought, primarily to give money to.

> The program-commercial production firm began its sales drive on the series on August 1.

VITAPIX SETBACK Wesson Oil, Sunkist Drop 'Blondie' Deal

HOLLYWOOD -- "Blondie," | come. Wesson was to have taken

product, except the cartoons, to

already has three musical series-

Frankie Laine, Florian ZaBach and

Liberace - which are being pre-

pared for library selling.

nurtured sponsor-program combi- factorily. What Sunkist, for whom nation leaves a big question hang- this would have been the first entry ing over the entire Vitapix set-up. into regional TV, will now do is Dogged throout its history-first as completely up in the air, with the an independent, then as a Guild agency open to all propositions. Films Company, and, finally, as a Similarly, Wesson Oil Company Hal Roach Jr. enterprise-by a sort must now look to other pastures,

Vitapix conception into practice Orleans, meeting on the problem has failed somewhere along the this week. line.

The latest setback occurred pri- comment, and it's not known marily due to the fact that one- whether an effort will be made to fourth of the program remained un- find another sponsor for "Blondie," By terms of his deal with Guild, sold, this apparently leaving too or, possibly, even to come up with Fox will not be able to sell his large a cost differential to over- an entirely new series.

off the Vitapix Network, was left A spokesman for Foote, Cone & without a sponsor today (10) as Belding, the Sunkist agency, said both Wesson Oil Company and that neither station nor time clear-Sunkist pulled out as bankrollers, ances were a problem, and that The collapse of the carefully these had been worked out satis-

of jinx, so far every try to put the with the agency, Fitzgerald of New

Roach has been unavailable for



TV FILM PROGRAMMING

COMMERCIAL CUES

CHICAGO

"The commercial is making a major TV production center out of Chicago," said Irving Mack, president of Filmack Studios, at the opening of the firm's new live-action studio in Chicago. He pointed out that the boom Chicago has been enjoying has still not reached its peak. "Midwestern advertisers and agency people are learning that there's as much technical know-how and creative imagination right here in Chicago" as there is in Hollywood. The new studio equipment includes a typesetting department, a lab which can average 20,000 feet of film a day and an art department for cartooning and stop-motion films.

VIDEO ON JOY RIDE

Video Pictures, Inc., has just completed six TV musical blurbs for Oldsmobile. Featuring singing stars Bill Hayes and Greta Gray as Johnny and Lucille, the traditional Oldsmobile characters, the series will be used on the coming political convention programming. The D. P. Brother Agency of Detroit handled the business, Robert V. Pollock directed.

ID'S

Lance Productions, Inc., has just completed a series of animated and live commercials thru Frank Kaus Advertising for Candettes and Bonadettes, products of Charles Pfizer & Company... Thomas D. Thomas has been appointed a radio-TV producer to work on design and production of commercials for North Advertising's accounts, which include the Toni and Englander companies. . . . Frank Biba's, veepee in charge of sales for Roland Reed Productions, was named to the board of directors and put in charge of the TV commercials division.... Gladys Austen has been doing some of the Tide blurbs thru Benton & Bowles... Dick Bonner has resigned his veepee post at George Blake Enterprises to go into business for himself..., William Miesegaes, president of Transfilm, is on a business-vacation trip thru Europe.

• TV Commercials in Production

A Guide to TV Spot & Program Plans **Of Competing Sponsors by Industries**

This weekly chart lists commercials produced during the last full preceding month, with all industries covered over the course of a month's issues. The following symbols designate the types of commercials listed: LA-Live Action: FA-Full Animation: SA-Semi-Animation; SE-Special Effects; J-Jingles; M-Music; S-Slides; ID-Station break; NA-Not available.

(Continued from last week)

Clients Team, Up on 'Cochise'

NEW YORK--An example of how a major advertising agency can translate into reality the adage that "in unity there is strength" in lining up its clients with a desirable TV advertising buy is being uct than sponsored programs, judgprovided by the Erwin Wasey agency.

The agency has teamed together four clients as regional bankrollers of National Telefilm Associates' launched Hamm's in the Los An-"Sheriff of Chochise." They are Star-Kist Tuna, the Carnation decreasing slowly to the present Company, White King Soap and schedule of seven. The campaign A-1 Beer. These advertisers will is intensified four times a year, co-sponsor the show in over 29 markets, teaming up in different of boosting sales. As ad frequency ways in different markets.

The end result will be that the show will be completely sponsored in all these markets. By uniting into this foursome, each advertiser benefits to the extent that the program cost is undoubtedly less than it would be if each bankroller sought to buy the show individually,

Webb's Mark VII Productions, for the 8:30-9 p.m. Tuesday night NBC-TV slot, is available.

Chesterfield was to have taken Morgan, who heads the agency's full sponsorship of the film prop- West Coast office. They are thereerty but evidently has decided that fore a potent asset to a new prodhalf a loaf is enough. The story is uct, especially in Los Angeles about a veterinarian. where people have weaker brand

HAMM'S PROVES SPOTS POWER

Beer Climbs to Top With Announcement **Campaign Rather Than Program Buys**

HOLLYWOOD --- Spots are habits and are more prone to try more advantageous to a new prodnew products. In addition to the spots, whose ing by the success of Hamm's Beer, copy is aimed at no specific audiwhich topped 17 major competience, Hamm's has sponsored "Pro tors in the same area in 11 months. Football" and the Frankie Laine Fifty Class A spots per week show and half-sponsored "Person to Person," which range from male to family viewing segments. geles district in September, 1954,

again with the next ad push.

third.

N. Y. Cartoon Fight Heats

By August, 1955, Hamm's had

become the No. 1 beer in the mar-

ket. Since then, it has alternated

between the No. 1 and No. 2 spot.

In California as a whole, it ranks

Hamm's agency, Campbell-Mi-

thun, has been using an indirect

selling technique to put across the

Varied Viewers

Radio, newspaper and billboard campaigns supported the TV effort, but the latter accounted for however, with the immediate effect more than 50 per cent of the total advertising outlay. diminishes, sales decline, rising

Campbell-Mithun uses a library of 16 spots for continuous diversification of the same theme, adding five or six new ones each year. Cost is about \$6,000 per minute spot, with some re-cycling of film being done.

WRCA-TV to **1st Run Movies** In Hour Slots

NEW YORK-WRCA-TV, the NBC-TV network flagship station. is going in for a policy of presenting first-run features next fall. The station is said to be considering cutting them to an hour and slotting them in the 9-10 a.m. time period. WRCA-TV is also reportedly considering programming them in its 1-2:30 strip, where it now has several live shows.

message. It features ducks, beav-NEW YORK---Half of "Noah's ers and other animals which have Ark," the new half-hour vidfilm now been incorporated into ads in series to be produced by Jack all media. Spots reach the most varied audience possible, according to Paul

| Sponsor, Product & Agency (Show, If any) No. (Seconds) (C-Color) Producer | Up; WABD Buys 337 | It is not known what product the station will acquire but trade |
|---|---|--|
| NON-ALCOHOLIC REVERACES | | |
| NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES Coca-Cola, Coca-Cola — NA | NEW YORK The battle of cartoons, mainly a struggle for au- diences among independent sta- tions here, is heating up. Last week WABD bought 337 new "Looney Tunes" from Associated Artists Productions to give it pro- gramming weapons against WOR- TV and WPIX, other local indies using cartoons. They will go into the 6:30-7 p.m. "Looney Tunes" strip on WABD, which has averaged a 12.5 Nielsen October, 1955, thru May. The station's 6-6:30 strip is pro- grammed by "Captain Video's Car- toons," and it too will get new product consisting of "Little Lulu," "Superman," "Betty Boop" and "Fearless Fosdick," product ac- | Goodman to Distrib Pearsons Series NEW YORK—Harry S. Good- man Productions will distribute Drew Pearson's new "Washington Merry-Go-Round" series of 39 15- minute shows. Hullinger Produc- tions, Inc., will produce the shows on Thursdays, and the films will |
| Ludgin 2 (60) FA North American- | quired from Paramount Pictures. The WPIX cartoon show fea- tures "Popeye" at 6-6:30. WOR- TV will use Terrytunes for the 7- 7:30 strip once the baseball season is over. WABD will also present a | be flown to stations for weekend showings. The show, starting September 23, will feature pictorial reporting and special short subjects. Pear- son's first TV show, now out of |
| & Ryan (Disneyland) 2 (60) LA, FA | any reacting bags banny, made cars interested in parentiang seis- | |
| Procter & Gamble, Fluffo, Tatham- Laird (I Love Lucy) 7 (60), 7 (30) LA, SMTV Graphics Armour & Co., Franks, Tatham-Laird (Mickey Mouse Club) 1 (60) LA | "Mrnistrict ZIV SHOWS | RATE GREAT! |
| Young & Rubicam – NAUPA Carolina Power & Light Co., Utilities Walter J. Klein (Dr. Hudson's Secret Journal) 2 (60) LAWalter J. Klein Union Carbide, Prestone, Wm. Esty 5 (60) LA, FALou Lilly Milwaukee Gas & Light, Gas, Kramer | ATTORNFY" | |
| Crasselt 2 (60), 2 (20) SAVogue Wright | | |
| RADIO, TV, PHONOGRAPHS (Records and Dealers thereof) | STARRING DAVID BRIAN | |
| Columbia, Records | | |
| | | |
| (Continued new mark) | | A REAL PROPERTY AND A REAL |

(Continued next week)

Foreign Color Pix Dubbed for U.S.

NEW YORK -- Foreign color features which have never been shown in the U.S. before will be released here thru the Theatrical & Video Corporation. The first cies.

package of 13, now being dubbed into English and re-recorded, are mostly French and Italian.

Don Getz, president of Theatrical & Video, is now in Europe settling final details and lining up which titles will be released in the first package. Sales will be made direct to stations and agen-

ARB-Jan. 56 ZIV TELEVISION PROGRAMS, Inc. Cincinnati, Chicago, Hollywood, New York

in 2-station

Colorado Springs

beating Dragnet, Phil Silvers, Jack Benny, Jackle Gleason,

This Is Your Life, Lux Video Theatre and many others.



TV PROGRAM RATINGS

5 MORE

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Telementary **Renewal** by Norelco Due

NEW YORK--Norelco is expected to place a renewal order for five more telementaries in NBC-TV's "Project 20" series. These would be for 1957.

There are still two telementaries to be offered on Norelco's 1956 buy of three documentaries. They are "The Great War" and "Parable of Freedom," the story of Austria. Norelco's presentation of "The Twisted Cross" got about a 30 Trendex, one of the highest received by a telementary.

The five telementaries that Norelco would order are "The Living West," "Jazz Age," with commentary by the late Fred Allen; "Story of the Thirties" and the two-part hour show "Four Kings and Two Queens," which concerns itself with Britain's rulers.

Screen Gems **Pushing 8** Col. Serials

HOLLYWOOD --- Screen Gems has begun sales talks with stations on eight Columbia serials which are being released on the syndicated market. Each of the shows consists of 15 episodes.

The cliffhangers are "Brenda Starr, Reporter," "Deadwood Dick,' "Jungle Menace," "Mysterious Pilot," "Overland With Kit Carson," "Son of the Guardsmen," "Secret of Treasure Island," and "White Eagle."

PULSE LOCAL RATINGS FOR JUNE

Jefferson

THE TELEVISION INDUSTRY'S MOST COMPLETE INDEX OF TOP LOCAL TV PROGRAMS AND SPOT ADJACENCIES

ATLANTA 2 TV STATIONS-144,600 TV HOMES Population-612,700 (31st in U. S.) Buying Income-\$889,479,000 (41st) Retail Sales-\$607,803,000 (44th)

3 IV STATIONS-180,500 TV HOMES Population-778,900 (23d in U. 5.) Buying Income-\$1,361,091,000 (24th)

Retail Sales—\$1,093,106,000 (21st) Food Sales—\$211,835,000 (23d) Drug Sales—\$35,608,000 (23d) Automotive—\$201,453,000 (22nd) Above figures include following counties: Cobb, DeKalb, Fulton

TOP NETWORK SHOWS

| 1. | \$64,000 Question, WAGA, T 32.5 |
|------|---------------------------------|
| 2. | R. Montgomery Summer |
| | Theater, WSB, M |
| 3. | Four Star Playhouse, WAGA, |
| 0.56 | Th |
| 4. | Ed Sullivan, WAGA, Sn |
| | What's My Line? WAGA, Su26.0 |
| | Gunsmoke, WAGA, S |
| | Lux Video Theater, WSB, Th25.3 |
| | Climax, WAGA, Th |

limax, wAGA, In. 9. I've Got a Secret, WAGA, W. .. 24.5 10. Alfred Hitchcock, WAGA, Su. .24.2

TOP MULTI-WEEKLY SHOWS

- 1. Gulf Dugout (7:30 p.m.),
- 3. Mickey Mouse Club, WLW-A, 4. News Caravan, WSB, M.-F. 10.4
- 5. Search for Tomorrow, WAGA,
- 6. Dinah Shore, WSB, T., Th. 10.2 Guiding Light, WAGA, M.-F. .. 10.1 Clubhouse Gang, WSB, M.-F. .. 10.0
- 9. Comedy Time, WSB, M.-F. 9.1 10. Jaye P. Morgan, WSB, W., F. , 9.0

TOP SYNDICATED FILMS

- 1. Man Behind the Badge (MCA).
- 2. I Led Three Lives (Ziv), WSB,
- **3. Celebrity Playhouse (Screen** Gems), WSB, Su.-2:00 16.9
- 4. Racket Squad (ABC), WSB.
- 5. Superman (Flamingo), WSB, F.-7:0015.7
- 6. Great Gildersleeve (NBC), WSB,
- 7. Science Fletion Theater (Ziv),
- 7. I Spy (Guild), WAGA, W.-10:00 14.5 9. Dr. Hudson's Secret Journal

BOSTON

4 TV STATIONS-869,200 TV HOMES Population-2,991,300 (6th in U. S.) Buying Income-\$5,472,790,000 (7th)

Retail Sales-\$3,782,581,000 (6th) Food Sales-\$927,203,000 (6th) Drug Sales-\$114,673,000 (6th) Automotive-\$596,532,000 (6th) Above figures include following counties: Essex, Middlesex, Norfolk, Mass.

TOP NETWORK SHOWS

2. \$64,000 Question, WNAC, T. ...35.3 3. Alfred Hitchcock, WNAC, 5. Best of Groucho, WBZ, Th. ... 29.8 6. I've Got a Secret, WNAC, W... 29.2 8. Godfrey's Talent Scouts, 9. \$64,000 Challenge, WNAC, Su. .27.7

TOP MULTI-WEEKLY SHOWS

| 1. Mickey Mouse Club, WNAC, |
|------------------------------------|
| MF |
| 2. News, Weather (7 p.m.), |
| WNAC, MF |
| 3. News Caravan, WBZ, MF 12.6 |
| 4. Patti Page, WNAC, M., W., F11.8 |
| 5. 11th Hour News, Misc., WBZ, |
| MF |
| 6. Dinah Shore, WBZ, T., Th11.0 |
| 7. Guiding Light, WNAC, MF 10.5 |
| 8. Newsteller (7:15 p.m.), WBZ, |
| MF10.1 |
| 9. Search for Tomorrow, WNAC, . |
| MF 9.9 |
| 10 Captain Kangaroo, WNAC, |
| MF 9.5 |
| 10. Love of Life, WNAC, MF 9.5 |
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| TAD CUMBICATER EILMC |

IOP STRUICATED FILMS

| | Mas Behind the Badge (MCA). |
|----|------------------------------|
| | WNAC, Su10:30 |
| ۱. | Dr. Fu Mancha (Hollywood), |
| | WNAC, Th8:00 |
| ١. | Superman (Flamingo), WNAC, |
| | F6:30 |
| ١. | Highway Patrol (Ziv), WBZ, |
| | W10:30 |
| I, | Rin Tin Tin (Screen Gems), |
| | WNAC, Su6:30 |
| ί. | Mr. District Attorney (Ziv), |
| | WNAC, T10:30 10.0 |

- 7. Ellery Queen (TPA), WNAC,

9. Big Playback (Screen Gems),

CHICAGO

4 TV STATIONS-1,782,000 TV HOMES Population-6.150,900 (2nd in U. S.) Buying Income-\$13,380,431,000 (2nd) Retail Sales-\$8,161,023,000 (2nd) Food Sales-\$1,720,971,000 (3d) Drug Sales-\$255,124,000 (2nd) Automotive-\$1,344,473,000 (3d) Above figures include following counties: Cook, DuPage, Kane, Lake, Wills, III.; Lake, Ind.

TOP NETWORK SHOWS

| 1. | \$64,000 Question, WBBM, T |
|----|-----------------------------------|
| 2. | Ed Sollivan, WBBM, Su |
| 3. | \$64,000 Challenge, WBBM, Su 29.7 |
| 4. | What's My Line? WBBM, Su 29.2 |
| | Baseball, WGN, Su |
| 6. | Dragnet, WNBQ, Th |
| 7. | Baseball, WGN, S23.7 |
| 8. | Godfrey's Talent Scouts, |
| | WBBM, M |
| 9. | Jackie Gleason, WBBM, S 23.4 |
| | Alfred Hitchcock, WBBM, So. ,23,2 |

TOP MULTI-WEEKLY SHOWS

| I. Mickey Mouse Club, WBKR, |
|----------------------------------|
| ~ MF |
| 1. Weather, Conners (10 p.m.), |
| WNBQ, MF |
| 3. Little Rascals, WBKB, MF |
| 4. News Roundup (10 p.m.), |
| WBBM, MF |
| 5. Art Linkletter, WBBM, MF 11.0 |
| 6. CBS News, WBBM, MF 10.9 |
| 6. News-Bentley (6 p.m.), WBBM, |
| MF10.9 |
| 8. Bob Crosby, WBBM, MF 10.0 |
| 9. Guiding Light, WBBM, MF 9.6 |
| 10. Big Payoff, WBBM, MF 9.5 |

TOP SYNDICATED FILMS

- 1. Racket Squad (ABC), WGN, 2. Badge 714 (NBC), WGN, T.-8:00 16.4 3. Great Gildersleeve (NBC), 4. Annie Oakley (CBS), WBBM, 5. Mayor of the Town (MCA), 6. Highway Patrol (Ziv), WBKB, Th.-9:00 14.2 7. I Led Three Lives (Ziv), WGN, 8. Science Fiction Theater (Ziv), WNBQ, S.-10:30 13.7 9. Susie (TPA), WBKB, S.-9:30 12.9 10. Gangbusters (Gen'l Teleradio), 11. Confidential File (Guild), 12. Little Rascals (Interstate), 13. Man Called X (Ziv), WGN, 14. City Detective (MCA), WGN, 15. New Orleans Police Dept. (NTA), WGN, Th. 9:00 9.4 15. Guy Lombardo (MCA), WNBQ. F.-7:30 9.4 17. Rin Tin Tin (Screen Gems). WBKB, Su.-2:30 9.2 18. Studio 57 (MCA), WBKB, T.-10:00 9.0 19. Lone Wolf (MCA), WGN, Th.-8:30 8.9 20. Foreign Intrigue (Official), WGN, F.-8:00 8.5 21. Superman (Flamingo), WBKB, 23. San Francisco Beat (CBS), WGN, T.-9:00 8.4 25. Doug, Fairbanks Presents (ABC), WBKB, Th.-10.00...... 8.2 25. Long John Silver (CBS), WBKB, Su.-2:00 8.2 25. Turning Point (Gen'l Electric). WGN, F.-9:00 8.2 25. The Unexpected (Ziv), WBKB, T.-10:30 8.2 25. Waterfront (MCA), WBBM, S.-10:30 8.2 30. Looney Tunes (Guild), WGN, M.-F.-12:00 noon..... 7.9

BIRMINGHAM

Food Sales—\$142,033,000 (40th) Drug Sales—\$16,699,000 (53d) Automotive—\$141,745,000 (32nd)

Above figures include following counties:

TOP NETWORK SHOWS

1. \$64,000 Question, WBRC, T. .. 44.3

4. Alfred Hitchcock, WBRC, Su. ... 33.8

5. G.E. Theater, WBRC, Su. 32.3

5. \$64.000 Challenge, WBRC, Su. .32.3

TOP MULTI-WEEKLY SHOWS

1. Dinner Theater, WABT, M.-F. . 22.0

(6:30 p.m.), WABT, M.-F. 14.5

WABT, M.-F.13.8

(MCA), WBRC, Th.-8:30...... 26.5

TOP SYNDICATED FILMS

8. CBS News, WBRC. M.-F. 13.5 9. News, Sports, Weather (6 p.m.),

2. Mickey Mouse Club, WABT,

5. News, Sports, Weather, Misc.

6. Mystery Playhouse, WBRC,

7. Song Shop, Answer Man,

10. Cliff's Clubhouse, WABT,

1. Badge 714 (NBC), WBRC,

2. Mr. District Attorney (Zivi,

3. Star and the Story (Official),

5. Dr. Hudson's Secret Journal

6. Man Called X (Ziv), WBRC.

7. Ellery Queen (TPA), WBRC,

4. "Turning Point (Gen'l Electric),

8. Four Star Playhouse, WBRC,

9. Lux Video Theater, WABT,

This marks the second group of serials recently released to TV by the majors, Universal having made a batch available. For stations it's a boon to late afternoon strip programming.

With the first feature package of 104 selling extremely well, and another 52 scheduled for release, Columbia will apparently continue the policy of funneling pix from its backlog into TV on a regulated basis.

Caldwell Buys Studio in Can. Upward Trend

TORONTO-S. W. Caldwell, Ltd., bought the Batten Film Studios here a couple of weeks ago, epitomizing a general expansion of TV film business, not only for the company but a growth in general.

The advertising agencies in the U. S. "are recognizing Canada as a market with a unique personal-ity of its own," says S. W. Caldwell in underscoring the move. "There is an increasing recognition of the need for using Canadian advertising ability, talent and facilities with a distinctively Canadian approach."

Enlargening of the staff of cameramen, technicians and service personnel accompanies this move, week was appointed to head J. with an eye not only to the special Canadian market, but toward production for the U.S. as well. The new plant will be made available for both commercial and program production. It was formerly owned Star Jubilee," "Ford Theater," and by the Batten Film Division, a subsidiary of Rapid Grip and Batten, Ltd.

(MCA), WSB, Su.-10:30. 10. Susle (TPA), WSB, M., W.-7:00, 12.6

- 11. Mr. District Attorney (Ziv), WAGA, W.-10:30......12.5
- 11. Highway Patrol (Ziv), WAGA,
- 11. Man Called X (Ziv), WAGA..... Su.-10:0012.5
- 14. I Search for Adventure (Bag-
- 15. City Detective (MCA), WSB,
- 15. Confidential File (Goild), WSB,
- 15. Turning Point (Gen'l Electric),
- 15. Cisco Kid (Ziv), WAGA, 5.-6:00, 10.5 15. Studio 57 (MCA), WAGA,
- 21. Annie Oakley (CBS), WLW-A.
- 22. Jungle Jim (Screen Genis),
- 23. Gene Autry (CBS), WAGA,
- 24. Little Rascals (Interstate), WSB. M.-F.-4:3010.0 25. Crunch and Des (NBC), WAGA,
- T.-7:00 9.5 25. Wild Bill Hickok (Flamingo),
- WLW-A, Th.-6:00 9,5 27. The Falcon (NBC), WAGA,
- WAGA, S.-10:30 9.0
- 29. Janet Dean, R.N. (NTA), WSB, F.-10:30..... 8.7 29. Inner Sanctum (NBC), WLW-A,
- T.-7:30 8.7

Post to Ted Wick

HOLLYWOOD -- Ted Wick,

former Paramount Pictures TV-

radio director and head of CBS-TV

publicity on the West Coast, last

Walter Thompson publicity opera-

tions here. He'll step into the newly

Frances Scully continues as pub-

licist on "Lux Vidco Theater."

Wick will concentrate on "Ford

"Tennessee Ernie Show,"

created post August 27.

- F. 7:00 9. Amos 'n' Andy (CBS), WBRC, Tb.-9100 22.3
- 10. Susle (TPA), WABT, M.-8:30 21.5 11, Highway Patrol (Ziv), WBRC,
- 12. Racket Squad (ABC), WBRC,
- 13. Ramar of the Jungle (TPA),
- 14. Crunch and Des (NBC), WABT,
- 15. Stories of the Century (Holly-
- 16. Susie (TPA), WABT, S.-9:00, ... 17.5
- 17. Annie Oakley (CBS), WBRC,
- WABT, Th.-7:0015.5
- 20. Jungle Jim (Screen Gems), WABT, Su-1:0014.5
- 21, Liberace (Guild), WABT.
- Su.-8:3014.3 22. Stories of the Century (Holly-
- wood), WBRC, Su.-4:30.....14.0 23. Eddy Arnold Time (Schwimmer),
- WABT, S.-10:0013.8 24. Liberace (Guild), WABT,
- 26. Susie (TPA), WABT, F.-10:30. .12.0 27. Crosscurrent (Official), WABT,
- M.-10:3011.8 28. Looney Tunes (Guild), WABT.
- WBRC, S.-10:30......11.0 30. Rosemary Clooney (MCA),
- WBRC, S.-6:30 7.5
- 10. Ramar of the Jungle (TPA), 11. Man Called X (Ziv), WBZ, 12. Waterfront (MCA), WNAC, 13. Steve Donovan, Western Marshal (NBC), WNAC, W.-7:30....15.4 14. Wild Bill Hickok (Flamingo), WNAC, T.-6:30......14.9 15. Studio 57 (MCA), WBZ, 16. Badge 714 (NBC), WNAC, Th.-10:0014.2 18. Cisco Kid (Ziv), WNAC, S.-9:00 a.m. 13.0 19. Annie Oakley (CBS), WNAC, Su.-5:0012.7 19. 75ky King (Nabisco), WNAC, W.-6:0012.7 19. Sherlock Holmes (NTA), WNAC, Th.-10:3012.7 22. Jungle Jim (Screen Gems), WBZ, Su.-7:0012.5 23. Stories of the Century (Hollywood), WNAC, T.-6:00......12.4 23. Passport to Danger (ABC), WBZ, S.-11:0012.4 25. †Patti Page (Oldsmobile), WNAC, M.-7:1511.8 26. The Falcon (NBC), WNAC,
- 26. City Detective (MCA), WNAC,
- 26. Gene Autry (CBS), WNAC,

Color Pix Set For 'Matinee' HOLLYWOOD --- A series of

three hour-long color films will be shot starting September 13 at the starring Gene Autry and Roy Rog-California National Productions ers are shooting down all direct studios here for occasional use on the "NBC Matinee Theater." Albert McCleery, exec producer of the show, will direct six of the films. The others will be directed by La-Boris Sagal and Arthur Hiller.

McCleery has produced five such color films in the past six months, adopted.

region; Lee Optical Company, for show is sold to date account for Ranger," Arthur Godfrey's morn-15 markets, 14 of which are in 60 per cent of the viewing public, ing show and "Howdy Doody."

Autry-Rogers **Top Opposition**

NEW YORK--Western features competition, web and local, says a poll of 30 American Research Bureau-rated time periods. In 28 markets, with more than 10,000,000 mont Johnson, Walter Grauman, TV homes, Autry-Rogers averaged 16.7 during February to June. These features are now being resulting in the new project's being stripped in 80 per cent of the markets carrying the series.

Some of the redskins that bit the dust in competition were The 103 markets in which the "Mickey Mouse Club," "The Lone

SELL YOUR PROSPECT WHEN HIS MIND IS ON TV PROGRAMMING- The Billboard talks programming . . . creates the perfect editorial atmosphere for TV advertising.

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Thompson Publicity 'Dr. Christian' To 103 Marts

NEW YORK-Tho it's been o the syndication market not even a month, Ziv's new TV film show. "Dr. Christian," has been sold in 103 markets to date, many of them accounted for by regional sponsorship deals.

Among the regional bankrollers who bought the show are S&W Foods, which bought "Dr. Christian" for 12 West Coast markets; Mueller's Macaroni, which will air it in three Eastern markets; Heckmann Biscuits, eight markets; Texas, and Sealey Mattress for four Adolph Coors Brewing, for five Ohio markets. markets in the Rocky Mountain



This weekly chart covers the latest Pulse ratings in key local markets. It includes network, local live and locally originated film shows. By pointing out leading programs, the chart provides a ready guide to outstanding spot adjacencies in each market.

CINCINNATI

3 TV STATIONS-305,200 TV HOMES Population-997,000 (16th in U. S.) Buying Income-\$1,846,653,000 (18th) Retail Sales-\$1,237,083,000 (18th) Food Sales-\$288,030,000 (16th) Drug Sales-\$39,028,000 (20th) Automotive-\$233,243,000 (18th) Above figures include following counties: Campbell and Kenton, Ky .: Hamilton, Ohio

TOP NETWORK SHOWS

1. \$64,000 Question, WKRC, T. .. 30.2 2. Lux Video Theater, WLW-T, 4. \$64,000 Challenge, WKRC, Su. .23.4 6. Best of Groucho, WLW-T, Th. .22.9 7. I've Got a Secret, WKRC, W. .. 22.7

TOP MULTI-WEEKLY SHOWS

| 1. | Mickey Mouse Club, WCPO, |
|-----|--------------------------------|
| | MF |
| 2. | 50-50 Club, WLW-T, MF 12.8 |
| | 3 City Final (11 p.m.), WLW-T, |
| | MF |
| 4. | News, Weather (11 p.m.), |
| | WKRC, MF11.5 |
| 5. | Pantomime Hit Parade, WCPO, |
| | MF |
| 6. | News Caravan, WLW-T, MF 8.7 |
| | CBS News, WKRC, MF 8.4 |
| | Dinah Shore, WLW-T, T., Th 8.4 |
| | Sohio, Weather (7 p.m.), |
| 63, | WLW-T, MF 8.3 |
| 10. | Matinee Theater, WLW-T, . |
| 202 | MF 8.2 |
| | |
| | TOP SYNDICATED FILMS |
| | IOF SINULAILD TILMS |

1. Stories of the Century (Hollywood), WKRC, T.-9:30......20.0 2. Highway Patrol (Ziv), WLW-T, 3. Steve Donovan, Western Marshal, (NBC), WKRC, T.-10:00...19.0

- 4. Ellery Queen (TPA), WKRC,
- 4. I Led Three Lives (Ziv),
- 6, Science Fiction Theater (Ziv),
- 7. Man Called X (Ziv), WKRC,

Buying statistics for each market are derived from Sales Management's annual "Survey of Buying Power." For complete program and audience information and analysis, consult The Pulse, Inc., 15 W. 46 St., New York.

HOUSTON-GALVESTON

3 TV STATIONS-321,700 TV HOMES

(15th)

Harris

Population-1,076,200 (15th in U. S.) Buying Income-\$1,937,585,000

Retail Sales-\$1,340,018,000 (16th)

Food Sales-\$308,506,000 (15th)

Drug Sales-\$40,807,000 (17th) Automotive-\$281,344,000 (14th)

Above market statistics are for Houston

TOP NETWORK SHOWS

5. \$64,000 Challenge, KGUL, Su. .22.5

6. Steve Allen, KPRC, Su.22.4

9. Ernie Kovacs, KPRC, M.21.9

TOP MULTI-WEEKLY SHOWS

KPRC, M.-F.10.8

M.-F. 8.4

7. Late Show, KGUL, M.-Th. 9.0

10. News Caravan, KPRC, M.-F. ., 7.7

TOP SYNDICATED FILMS

5. Susie (TPA), KPRC, Su.-8:30, .17.0

4. Roy Rogers, KPRC, M.-F. 11.0

10. Studio One Summer Theater,

1. My Little Margie, KGUL,

2. Mickey Mouse Club, KTRC,

3. Newsreel. Weather (6:15 p.m.),

5. World Sports, Misc. (6 p.m.),

6. Queen for a Day, KPRC,

8. Modern Romances, KPRC.

9. News, Weather (10:30 p.m.),

1. Cisco Kid (Ziv), KPRC,

2. Dr. Hudson's Secret Journal

3. Badge 714 (NBC), KPRC,

4. Annie Oakley (CBS), KPRC,

6. Highway Patrol (Ziv), KPRC,

only and include following county:

TV PROGRAM RATINGS

The symbol f is for film series booked on a national spot basis. The symbol "u" indicates a UHF outlet. The symbol "&" points out programs originating in an overlap market yet securing ratings of 3.0 or better in the market under study.

SAN FRANCISCO-OAKLAND

5 TV STATIONS-788,400 TV HOMES Population-2,613,100 (7th in U. S.) Buying Income-\$5,696,328,000

(6th) Retail Sales-\$3,334,262,000 (7th) Food Sales-\$815,868,000 (7th) Drug Sales-\$102,169,000 (7th) Automotive-\$580,360,000 (7th) Above figures include following counties: Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, San Francisco, San Mateo and Solano

TOP NETWORK SHOWS

1. \$64,000 Question, KPIX, T. 40.2 4. Do You Trust Your Wife? 8. G. E. Theater, KPIX, Su.25.2

TOP MULTI-WEEKLY SHOWS

- 1. Queen for a Day, KRON.
- 2. News Caravan, Misc., KRON,
- M.-F. 3. Mickey Mouse Club, KGO,

M.-F. 4. Modern Romances, KRON,

- 5. CBS News, KPIX, M.-F. 10.1
- 6. Kit Carson, KRON, M.-F. 9.6 7. Shell News (6 p.m.), KPIX,
- M.-F. 9.4 8. Art Linkletter, KPIX, M.-F. .. 9.2
- 9. Dinah Shore, KRON, T., Th. .. 8.9 10. Federal Men, KRON, M.-Th. .. 7.8

TOP SYNDICATED FILMS

- 1. I Search for Adventure (Bag-
- 2. Life of Riley (NBC), KPIX,
- 2. Rosemary Clooney (MCA),
- 4, Badge 714 (NBC), KPIX,
- 6. I Led Three Lives (Ziv), KRON, M.-10:3016.0
- 7. Science Fiction Theater (Ziv),

A TREND? **Ziv Reports Bank Acc'ts** Up 300%

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NEW YORK-Ziv-TV, usually a barometer of syndication trends. reports that it has been doing increasing business with bank and loan company sponsors to the extent of a 300 per cent rise in the past two years, a 56 per cent rise as against 1955.

Ziv says it now has 67 financial sponsors on its books. These 67 are using any one of five different Ziv shows in 54 markets, accounting for an aggregate \$870,000 program expenditure.

Their favorite Ziv show is "Science Fiction Theater," which is sponsored by 20 different banks. Four of them are now riding "Science Fiction" for the second year in Miami; Tulsa, Okla.; Chattanooga and Columbia, S. C.

Ziv also reports that these local banks are putting plenty of promotion behind their TV shows.

REVOLVING DOOR

By CHARLOTTE SUMMERS

Producer Collier Young has stepped up the production of his new fall series, "On Trial," and will have eight completed segments a month before the mid-September kick-off date. . . . Paul Stewart has been signed to appear with Dennis O'Keefe and June Lockhart in "Confession," a Screen Gems' production for CBS-TV's "Playhouse 90."

Myrna Loy, who has been con-

Population-14,124,600 (1st in U. S.) Buying Income-\$28,954,669,000 (1st) Retail Sales-\$17,069,367,000 (1st) Food Sales—\$4,380,677,000 (1st) Drug Sales—\$423,332,000 (1st) Automotive—\$2,243,498,000 (1st) Above market statistics are for New York and N. E. New Jersey and include

THE BILLBOARD

NEW YORK

7 TV STATIONS-4,092,700 TV HOMES

the following counties: Bronx, Kings, Nassau, New York, Queens, Richmond, Rockland, Suffolk and Westchester, N. Y.; Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Morris, Passaic, Somerset and Union, N. J.

TOP NETWORK SHOWS

1. \$64,000 Question, WCBS, T. .. 30.8 2. Ed Sullivan, WCBS, Su. 26.6 3. Best of Groucho, WRCA, Th. .. 24.4 6. Lux Video Theater, WRCA,

- 7. Climax, WCBS, Th.23.2 7. \$64,000 Challenge, WCBS, Su. .. 23.2 9. Alfred Hitchcock, WCBS, Su. .. 22.7
- 10. What's My Line? WCBS, Su. .. 22.5

TOP MULTI-WEEKLY SHOWS

1. News, Weather (11 p.m.), 2. News, Weather, Sports (11 p.m.), WCBS, M.-F.12.4 3. Late Show, WCBS, M.-F. 9.6 4. Mickey Mouse Club, WABC, 5. CBS News, WCBS, M.-F. 7.0 5. Looney Tunes, WABD, M.-F. .. 7.0 5. Search for Tomorrow, WCBS, M.-F. 7.0 8. Arthur Godfrey, WCBS, M.-Th. 6.9 8. Love of Life, WCBS, M.-F. ... 6.9 10. News Caravan, WRCA, M.-F. .. 6.8

TOP SYNDICATED FILMS

1. Doug. Fairbanks Presents 2. Highway Patrol (Ziv), WRCA, 3. Science Fiction Theater (Ziv),

1. Lux Video Theater, KPRC, 1. \$64,000 Question, KGUL, T. ... 32.9 3. R. Montgomery Summer

| 8. Death Valley Day (Pacific | Su9:30 |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Borax), WKRC, T10:3017.4 | 7. Superman (Flamingo), KPRC, |
| 9. Turning Point (Gen'l Electric), | Th6:30 |
| WLW-T, M9:30 | 7. Amos 'n' Andy (CBS), KPRC, |
| 9. Headline (MCA), WKRC, | Su 0.00 |
| Su 10.10 | Su9:00 |
| Su10:30 | 9. I Led Three Lives (Ziv), |
| 11. Count of Monte Cristo (TPA), | KPRC, T8:30 |
| WKRC. Th10:0013.5 | 9. D. Fairbanks Presents (ABC), |
| 12. Studio 57 (MCA), WLW-T, | (ABC), KGUL, T9:30 |
| W9:3012.7 | 11. My Little Margie (Official), |
| 13. Eddy Arnold Time (Schwimmer), | KGUL, MF6:0016.1 |
| WKRC, W10:0012.4 | 11. Rosemary Clooney (MCA), |
| 14. Liberace (Guild), WCPO, | KPRC, W8:3016.1 |
| T8:3012.0 | 13. 7Sky King (Nabisco), KPRC, |
| 14. My Little Margie (Official), | S11:30 a.m |
| WKRC, S10:3012.0 | 14. Great Gildersleeve (NBC), |
| 16. City Detective (MCA), WKRC, | KPRC, W7:3014.9 |
| F10:3011.5 | 15. Man Called X (Ziv), KPRC, |
| 17. Lone Wolf (MCA), WKRC, | F9:3014.7 |
| Th10:30 | 16. Waterfront (MCA), KPRC, |
| 18. Cisco Kid (Ziv), WCPO, | W -7:00 |
| Su5:00 | W7:00 |
| 19. Annie Oakley (CBS), WLW-T, | VTPV T 8.20 |
| | KTRK, T8:30 |
| T6:0010.7 | 18. I Spy (Guild), KPRC, Th9:30, 14.0 |
| 19. The Falcon (NBC), WKRC, | 19. Sherlock Holmes (NTA), KGUL, |
| S10:0010.7 | W10:0013.2 |
| 21. Ramar of the Jungle (TPA), | 20. Confidential File (Guild), |
| WLW-T, F6:0010.5 | KGUL, M10:0012.8 |
| 22. Wild Bill Hickok (Flamingo), | 21. Passport to Danger (ABC), |
| WLW-T, W.6:0010.4 | KGUL, S6:3012.5 |
| 22. Your All Star Theater (Screen | 22. Celebrity Playhouse (Screen |
| Gems), WKRC, W10:3010.4 | Gems), KPRC, W10:0012.3 |
| 22. Overseas Adventure (Official), | 23. †Turning Point (Gen'l Electric), |
| WCPO, S9:3010.4 | KPRC, S9:0012.2 |
| 25. Crosscurrent (Official), WCPO, | 24. Ramar of the Jungle (TPA), |
| F9:30 9.7 | KPRC, M6:3012.0 |
| 26. Foreign Intrigue (Official), | 25. Star and the Story (Official), |
| WCPO, T9:30 9.5 | KPRC, M10:00 |
| 27. Superman (Flamingo), WLW-T, | 26. The Falcon (NBC), KGUL, |
| M6:00 | S6:00 |
| 27. Range Rider (CBS), WLW-T, | 27. Steve Donovan, Western Mar- |
| Th6:00 | |
| 11.0.00 | shal, (NBC), KGUL, S10:0011.3 |

| | S6:30 Guy Lombardo (MCA), WRCA, | 8.6 |
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| 5. | Guy Lombardo (MCA), WRCA, | 15 |
| | Th7:00 Great Gildersleeve (NBC), | 8.1 |
| 0. | WECA T 7.00 | |
| 7 | WRCA. T7:00 The Goldbergs (Guild), WABD, | 1.4 |
| | The Goldbergs (Gund), WABD, | |
| | Th7:30 Superman (Flamingo), WABC, | 0.0 |
| 0. | T 6:00 | 6.2 |
| | T6:00 †Death Valley Days (Pacific | 9.4 |
| | Borax), WRCA, W7:00 | 6.4 |
| 10. | Annie Oakley (CBS), WCBS, | |
| | S5:30 | 5.9 |
| 11. | City Detective (MCA), WPIX, | 3.7 |
| | Su9:30 | 5 8 |
| 11. | Greatest Eights of the Conturn | |
| 0000 | (Baum), WOR, Su3:45 Looney Tunes (Guild), WABD, | 5 8 |
| 11. | Looney Tunes (Guild) WARD | -1-10 |
| 1 | MSu6:30 | 5.8 |
| 14. | Laurel and Hardy (Governor), | 2.0 |
| | WCBS, S1:30 | 5.7 |
| 14. | †Turning Point (Gen'l Electric), | |
| | WRCA, S7:00 | 5.7 |
| 16. | †Patti Page (Oldsmobile), | 0.000 |
| | WCBS, S6:15 | 5.5 |
| 17. | Greatest Fights of the Century | 252 |
| | (Baum), WOR, F10:30 | 5.0 |
| 18. | Range Rider (CBS), WPIX, | |
| | S6:00 | 4.9 |
| 19. | My Little Margie (Official) | |
| | WCBS, MF9:00 a.m. | 4.8 |
| 20. | Badge /14 (NBC), WPIX, | |
| 103020 | W8:30 | 4.7 |
| 21, | Ellery Queen (TPA), WPIX, | |
| 3 | Su9:00 | 4.6 |
| 21. | Su9:00 Amos 'n' Andy (CBS), WCBS, | |
| | MF9:30 a.m. | 4.6 |
| 23. | Little Rascals (Interstate), | 100-51 |
| 02300 | WPIX, MF6:00 | 4.5 |
| 24, | Dateline Europe (Official), | |
| | | |

- WOR, T.-9:00 4.4 25. Highway Patrol (Ziv), WPIX, W.-9:30 4.3
- 25. Waterfront (MCA), WABD, T.-7:30 4.2

| 8. | Waterfront (MCA), KPIX, |
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| | S7:00 |
| 9. | S7:00 |
| | KRON, M7:0013.7 |
| 10. | †Turning Point (Gen'l Electric), |
| | KRON, Su10:3012.7 |
| 11, | Highway Patrol (Ziv), KRON, |
| | T6:3012.4 |
| 11. | Code 3 (ABC), KRON, |
| | W10:3012.4 |
| 13. | Mr. District Altorney (Ziv), |
| | KRON, T10:3012.2 |
| 13. | Steve Donovan, Western Mar- |
| | shal (NBC), KPIX, T6:3012.2 |
| 15. | Public Defender (Interstate), |
| | KPIX, F10:3011.5 |
| 15. | KPIX, F10:30 |
| | KRON, Th7:0011.5 |
| 15. | Confidential File (Guild), KGO, |
| | T10:0011.5 |
| 18. | Cisco Kid (Ziv), KRON, |
| | Th6:3010.4 |
| 19. | Mayor of the Town (MCA), |
| | KGO, M7:3010.2 |
| 19. | Long John Silver (CBS), KRON, |
| 20 | F6:0010.2 |
| 21. | The Three Musketeers (ABC), |
| | KRON, W6:3010.0 |
| | Susie (TPA), KGO, F8:00 9.7 |
| 23. | Man Called X (Ziv), KRON, |
| | F6:30 9.5 |

centrating on her duties as a United Nations representative for the past six years, will come out of retirement to star in the "General Electric Theater's" comedy romance, "Lady of the House." Production is scheduled to start in mid-August at Revue Productions.

. . . "The Captive," the fourth episode of the "Broken Arrow" series which begins on ABC-TV in the fall, is now in production at TCF Television studios. . . . Rin Tin Tin, canine star of the Screen Gems' series of the same name. will headline the World's Championship Rodeo at Madison Square Garden, New York, on September 26 thru October 14. . . . Announcer Allen Swift is doing all the voices in the pilot film for an animated cartoon series to be used on the "Captain Kangaroo" show as well as for TV syndication.

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29. Federal Men (MCA), KRON, M.-Th., Su.-11:00 8.2

24. Judge Roy Bean (Screencraft),

24. Kit Carson (MCA), KRON,

26. Jungle Jim (Screen Gems),

27. †Sky King (Nabisco), KGO,

28. Annie Oakley (CBS), KGO,

KRON, M.-6:30 9.4

M.-Th.-6:00 9.4

KGO, F.-6:30 9.2

Th.-6:00 9.0

F.-6:00 8.5

THIS WEEK'S FILM BUYS

CBS-TV FILM SALES

LIFE WITH FATHER

WCTV, Thomasville, Ga .: Independent Life & Accident Insurance

BRAVE EAGLE

Detroit: Fargo Beverages

SAN FRANCISCO BEAT

WNAC. Boston; WFIL. Philadelphia; WKZO, Kalamazoo.; Mich.; WJBK, Detroit: ADV. TBA

AMOS 'N' ANDY

WWJ, Detroit: Food Fair

ANNIE OKALEY

KBOI, Boise, Idaho; WJBF, Augusta, Ga.; WTVJ, Miami; WABC, New York: Adv. TBA

LONG JOHN SILVER WNAC, Boston: Adv. TBA

NEWS FILM

WTVJ, Miami: Adv. TBA

FABIAN OF SCOTLAND YARD KCMO, Kansas City: Katz Drug

RANGE RIDER

XETV, Tijuana, Mexico; WJBK, Detroit: Adv. TBA

INS-TELENEWS

THIS WEEK IN SPORTS WBRE, Wilkes-Barre, Pa .: Bethlehem Steel

WSYR, Syracuse: Adv. TBA

STERLING TELEVISION

LITTLE THEATER KVAL, Eugene, Ore.: Adv. TBA ARMCHAIR ADVENTURE KVAL, Eugene, Ore .: Adv. TBA I'M THE LAW WSM, Nashville: Adv. TBA KING'S CROSSROADS KPIC, Roseburg, Ore.: Adv. TBA BALLET DE FRANCE WITW, Chicago: Adv. TBA GADABOUT GADDIS WSAV, Savannah, Ga.: Adv. TBA FEATURES

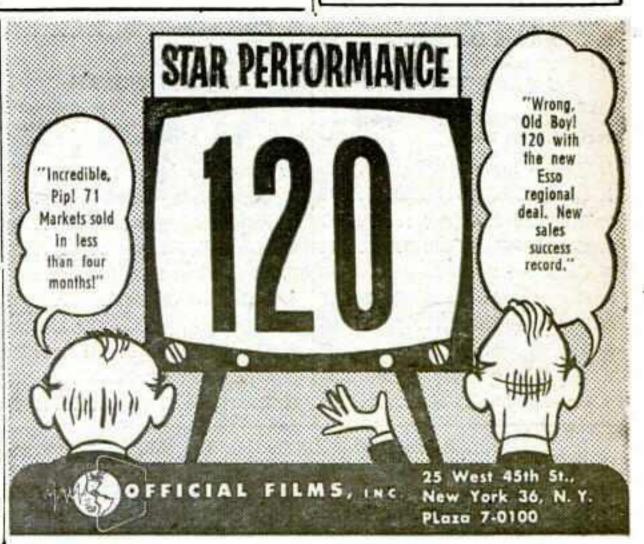
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WABD Takes **Up Most of** Sheldon Time

NEW YORK --- WABD, here, has signed Herb Sheldon. He will continue to do his Saturday morning show for WRCA-TV, but will devote the majority of his time to WABC.

Among Sheldon's assignments will be "Speaking of Animals," a 7:15-7:30 p.m. strip consisting of film shorts in which animals talk and Sheldon will comment, a halfhour program of screen souvenirs Wednesdays at 10 in which he will act as a barker, and the Saturday and Sunday 6:30-7 editions of 'Looney Tunes."

Sheldon will probably drop some of his other WRCA-TV shows.





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JULY RATINGS

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| Rank Show, Sponsor | & Web Rtg. | Rank |
|---|--|--------------------|
| 1. Gunsmoke L&M (CBS) | 28.6 | 1. Biş Lev |
| 2. Dragnet L&M (NBC) | 27.8 | 1. Gu L& |
| 3. Wyatt Earp Parker, Gen'l Mills | (ABC) 23.0 | 3. Be To |
| 4. Robin Hood J&J, Wildroot (CB: | \$9 19.6 | 3. Ad Hu |
| f. Lassle Kellogg (CBS) | 19.2 | 5. Cri R. |
| 6. Best in Mystery Toni, Amer. Tobacc | to (NBC) 18.6 | 6. Dr Lå |
| 7. Warner Bros. Press Gen'l Electric, Mon (ABC) | A CALL A CONTRACTOR CONTRACTOR AND A CALL AND A | 7. W. Ge (Al |
| 8. Crusader R. J. Reynolds, Col: | gate (CBS)18.0 | 8. Wy Par |
| 9. Big Town Lever (NBC) | 16.2 | 9. Las Ke |
| 19. Rin Tin Tin National Biscuit (A | BC)16.1 | 9, Fre |

AMONG MEN

| Rank Show, Sponsor & Web Per | Set | Rank |
|---|------|------|
| 1. Rin Tin Tin Nat'l Biscuit (ABC) | 1.38 | 1. F |
| 2. Gnns toke L&M (CBS) | .95 | 2. T |
| 3. Frontier Reynolds Metals (NBC) | .92 | 3. C |
| 4. Best in Mystery Toni, Amer. Tobacco (NBC) | .87 | 4. R |
| 4. Dragnet L&M (NBC) | .87 | 5. W |
| 6. Big Town Lever (NBC) | .85 | 6. M |
| 6. Adventure Theater Hudnut, Amer. Tobacco (NBC) | .85 | 7. L |

| July Rtg. | AMONG WOMEN Rank Show, Sponsor & Web Per Set | LAWRENCE WELK SHOW - 'ABC-TV There's no doubt about it. Welk |
|--------------|--|---|
| 28.6 | 1. Big Town Lever (NBC) 1.06 | is one of television's fair-haired boys, so far as program popu- |
| 27.8 | 1. Gunsmoke L&M (CBS) 1.06 3. Best in Mystery | larity goes. The Welk Saturday night show for the first time |
| 23.0 | Toni, Amer. Tobacco (NBC) 1.02 3. Adventure Theater | moved into the select circle of top 10 highest-rated network |
| 19.6 | Hudnut, Amer. Tobacco (NBC) 1.02 | shows, according to American |
| 19.2 | 5. Crusader R. J. Reynolds, Colgate (CBS) 1.01 | Research Bureau's latest rating report, for July. Welk leaped |
| 18.6 | 6. Dragnet L&M (NBC) | into the No. 7 position with a 31.7 ARB rating, which almost |
| 18.1 | 7. W. B. Presents Gen'l Electric, Monsanto, L&M | equaled the combined ratings of its CBS and NBC competition. |
| . 18.0 | 8. Wyatt Earp Parker, Gen'l Mills (ABC) | |
| 16.2 | 9. Lassie Kellogg (CBS) | Films to Watch |
| . 16.1 | 9. Frontier | |
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AMONG CHILDREN

| Rank | Show, Sponsor & Web Per Set |
|---------------|---|
| 1. Fur Ger | y 11 Foods (NBC) 1.58 |
| | es of the Texas Rangers tiss, Gen'l Mills (CBS) 1.30 |
| | J. Heinz (NBC) 1.28 |
| | Rogers "I Foods (NBC) 1.26 |
| | d Bill Hickok logg (CBS) 1.25 |
| 6. My Col | Friend Flicka gate (CBS) 1.22 |
| 7. Lon | e Ranger |

Films to Watch

THE ROSEMARY CLOONEY SHOW-MCA-TV

A relatively new show, the Rosemary Clooney music series is climbing steadily in popularity, judging from a comparison of American Research Bureau ratings in three major markets where the show was rated both in June and July. In Atlanta, the Clooney series in July doubled its June rating of 6.5 by pulling in a 13.3 rating. In the Minneapolis-St. Paul area, Miss Clooney hiked her 12.7

ARB Top 25 Network Shows

July Ratings of

Leading Web Programs

This breakdown of network program ratings shows the 25 leaders for the past rating month, listed in rank order. This chart runs once monthly, and appears in the issue of The Billboard dated the third Saturday of each month. For additional information on audience size and coverage, please consult ARB, National Press Building, Washington, D. C.

(* Indicates Film)

| Rank | Show, Sponsor & Web | Rating |
|------|--|---|
| 1 | \$64,000 Question, Revlon (CBS) | |
| | Ed Sullivan, Lincoln-Mercury (CBS) | |
| | \$64,000 Challenge, Revlon, Ken (CBS) | |
| | What's My Line? Remington Rand, J. Montenier (CBS) | |
| 5 | I've Got a Secret, R. J. Reynolds (CBS) | |
| | | |
| | Lawrence Welk, Dodge (ABC) | |
| | *Best of Groucho, DeSoto-Plymouth (NBC). | Service Processing and the service of the service of |
| 9 | *Do You Trust Your Wife? Frigidaire (CBS). | |
| 10 | *Alfred Hitchcock, Bristol-Myers (CBS) | |
| 11 | Robert Montgomery Presents, Johnson's, Schick (NBC) | |
| 12 | * Medic, Dow, Cen'l. Electric (NBC) | |
| | *Honeymooners, Buick (CBS) | |
| | Lux Video Theater, Lever (NBC) | |
| 15 | *Gunsmoke, L&M (CBS) | |
| 16 | * Phil Silvers, Amana, R. J. Reynolds (CBS) | |
| 17 | Climax, Chrysler (CBS) | |
| | *Dragnet, L&M (NBC) | |
| 19 | *Ford Theater, Ford (NBC) | |
| | Cavalcade of Sports, Gillette (NBC) | |
| 21 | Godfrey's Talent Scouts, Toni, Lipton (CBS). | |
| 01 | Stove Allen Aven Tergene | |

Pulse Top 25 Non-Net Shows

June Ratings of

| 8. Warner Brothers Presents Gen'l Electric, Monsanto, L&M (ABC) | 8. Lassie Kellogg (CBS) | June rating up to 15.5 in July, which made it the No. 2 syndi- cated show in the market area. In San Francisco, it jumped from 12.9 in June to 14.2 in July. | 23 Four Star Playhouse, Singer, Bristol-Myers (CBS)24.9 24 *Burns & Allen, Carnation, Gen'l. Mills, |
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Syndicated Film Adventure Shows

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| 9. Ram | Crunch and Des (NBC) 8.9 AMONG VIEWERS Viewers Per 100 Homes Show & Distrib. Tuned In | AMONG WOMEN Women Per 100 Homes | AMONG CHILDREN Kids Per 180 Homes Rank Show & Distrib. Tuned In | 7Amos 'n' Andy (CBS) |
| 1. 3. 4. 5. 6. 8. 9. | Crosscurrent (Official)210 Dangerous Assignment (NBC).208 Waterfront (MCA)208 The Three Musketeers (ABC).207 The Hunter (Tafon)206 | 1. Dangerous Assignment (NBC).94 2. Crosscurrent (Official)92 2. Foreign Intrigue (Official)92 4. Man Called X (Ziv)91 5. I Led Three Lives (Ziv)86 6. Waterfront (MCA) | Superman (Flamingo) | 13Waterfront (MCA) |

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TV FILM PROGRAMMING

Viewers to Win Net Fall Program Battle

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Bank" at 10:30 on NBC should show, based on last season's track close the evening strongly for that web.

"Broken Arrow"

ABC's new Tuesday show, "Broken Arrow," at 9 p.m. should put pressure on NBC and CBS, since its format, completely different from the stanzas on the other webs, is certain to interest kids. "The \$64,000 Question," CBS at 10 p.m., seems to have passed its peak and may not do as well next season, tho its ratings will certainly be respectable.

changes have been made by either CBS or NBC. It is ABC whose refurbishing has been most complete in its third attempt to capitalize on "Disneyland."

p.m. The Wally Cox vehicle may some aid to "Lux." give both the last half of "Disneyland" and the first half of Arthur hour-long "Wire Service" at 9 p.m. Godfrey a battle for viewers. Last A standard program format, it season's show here, "Screen Direc- could get audiences if produced out its promise. Its American Research Bureau rating in May was down somewhat. a 13.6, several points higher than it performed the rest of the season. have been made by all networks.

Step," a new audience participa- which uses two new stanzas, "West the former Louis G. Cowan organtion show booked at 7:30 p.m., Point" and "Zane Grey Theater," will do better than "Brave Eagle" should increase its ratings. Walter and cut into the first half of Winchell may create some excite- the comeback of the quiz show, "Disneyland."

at 8:30 p.m. with "Navy Log." This

record, shapes up as stronger than last season's entry, "M-G-M Parade." Both Ozzie and Harriet, at 9 p.m. and "Ford Theater" at 9:30 on ABC should cut into the com-

peting NBC shows. The probability is that Arthur Godfrey will be hurt the most. His format will be the same, and he will be facing a stronger NBC show at 8 and a stronger ABC show at 8:30.

Thursday Fight

THURSDAY: CBS and ABC WEDNESDAY: No radical have made the major changes here. The top budgeted "Playhouse 90" on CBS, which runs from 9:30-11, should upset the "Lux Video Theater" apple cart, 10-11 p.m. on NBC. NBC has faced the threat NBC's sole move has been the by slotting a new Tennessee Ernie insertion of "Hiram Holiday" at 8 stanza at 9:30, which should bring

An unknown quantity is ABC's tor's Playhouse," never really bore well. Probability is that ratings of CBS and NBC shows here will be

FRIDAY: Extensive changes '57 season. The CBS hope is that "Giant The General Foods hour, 8-9 p.m., ment/at 8:30 for NBC. "On Trial," Since that show's debut last sea-ABC should get better ratings which follows on the same web, son, the firm has sold three more



. . . the network and syndicated programming picture for the 1956-1957 season

NOTHING PAYS PROGRAM PACKAGERS LIKE SUCCESS

It's Risky Business, But Top Dogs Stay Aloft for 1956-'57 Season

pays off like success. This can be is now among the top 10, and the verified from an analysis of the latest, "Take a Giant Step," a show ownership of the new nighttime that extends the format to the kid's programs to be presented on the field. three networks during the 1956-

Among the independent packagers, the unquestioned success is ization, Entertainment Productions, whose "\$64,000 Question" sparked (Continued on page 34) packages to TV-"Big Surprise,"

In TV as in other fields nothing |"The \$64,000 Challenge," which | two producers prominent in syn-

One of the other more successful programs of last season was Official Films' "Robin Hood," produced in regional sponsors. Lesser-Douglas conjunction with Saphire Productions in England. It was the first time a British-based production unit had been able to present TV programming which was attractive to the U. S. public. As its reward, Official will have two more similar shows-"Sir Lancelot," and "The Buccaneers"-on network TV next season.

dication, Ziv-TV and Julian Lesser-Jack Douglas. Ziv's "West Point" is it's first no work sale, the the firm has long been one of the outstanding producers for local and first made a track record with "I Search for Adventure" in syndication and has now cracked network TV with "Bold Journey."

Net Activity

The TV networks, of course, have also been active this season. NBC-TV has added four new shows to its list of properties. They in-

Who Owns the Net Programs To Play Evenings, '56-'57?

- Herewith is a complete line-up to date of the evening network programs for the 1956-'57 season arranged according to their packagers. New programs have been designated by an asterisk (*), film series by (F). There has been no attempt to list all the owners of each package, only those who control an important part of the show.

Steve Allen Shows

CBS-TV

. . ..

Arthur Godfrey's Talent Scouts (with Unicorn Productions) Arthur Godfrey and His Friends (with Unicorn Productions) **Burns and Allen** Climax **Ford Star Jublice** Gunsmoke (F) Herb Shriner* I Love Lucy (with Desilu Productions) Jack Benny Show **Jackie Gleason Show** (with Jackie Gleason Enterprises) Line-Up (F) (with Frank Cooper Associates and - Lawrence Klee) Person-to-Person (with Edward R. Murrow) Phil Silvers Show Playhouse 90* (13 to be filmed by Screen Gems) **Red** Skelton Studio One The Brothers* (F) Ed Sullivan Show . (with Ed Sullivan and Marlo Lewis)

NBC-TV

Bob Hope (with Hope) **Bowling From Chicago** (with Matt Neisen) **Dinah** Shore (with Miss Shore) George Gobel (with Gomalco Productions) **Goodyear Playhouse-Alcon Hour** (with Showcase Productions) Hiram Holiday* (F) (with Phil Rapp) John Cameron Swayze and the News Life of Riley (F) Noah's Ark (with Mark VII Productions) **Producers Showcase** (with Showcase Productions) Perry Como (with Como) Saturday Night Spectacular Sid Caesar (with Shellric Productions Stanley* (with Max Liebman)

(with Allen) **Tennessee Ernie Ford*** (with Ford) This Is Your Life (with Ralph Edwards) You Bet Your Life (with Groucho Marx) Noah's Ack* (F) (together with Mark VII Productions) ABC-TV Jim Bowie* (F) (with Lou Edelman) Make Room for Daddy (F) (with Danny Thomas) Ozzie and Harriet (F) (with Ozzie and Harriet Nelson) " Wire Service* (F) (with Don. Sharpe) Wyatt Earp (F) (with Lou Edelman) SCREEN GEMS Circus Boy* (F) Father Knows Best (F) Ford Theater (F) Rin Tin Tin (F) 77th Bengal Lancers* (F) MCA-TV Alfred Hitchcock Presents (F) Crusader (F) **GE** Theater (part film-part live) On Trial* (F) Jane Wyman Fireside Theater (F) (with Miss Wyman) Dragnet (F) (with Mark IV Productions) ENTERTAINMENT PRODUCTIONS \$64,000 Question \$64,000 Challenge Take a Giant Step* The Big Surprise GOODSON-TODMAN PRODUCTIONS I've Got a Secret What's My Line? **Beat the Clock**

OFFICIAL FILMS Robin Hood (F) The Adventures of Sir Lancelot* (F) The Buccaneers* (F) 20TH CENTURY-FOX Broken Arrow* (F) My Friend Flicka (F) 20th Century-Fox Hour (F)

McCADDEN PRODUCTIONS

Bob Cummings Show (F) (with Cummings) People's Choice (F) (with Irving Brecher) FOUR STAR FILMS Hey, Jeannie* (F) Zane Grey Theater* (F)

DON FEDDERSON

Do You Trust Your Wife? (F) The Millionaire (F)

CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF N. Y **Bishop** Sheen

TELEVISION PROGRAMS OF

AMERICA Lassie (F) Private Secretary (F) (with Ann Sothern and Jack Chertok)

LAWRENCE WELK

Monday Night ABC-TV Hour* Saturday Night ABC-TV Hour

BARRY-ENRIGHT **Iwenty One***

AMERICAN TOBACCO CO.

Hit Parade (produced by Batten, Barton, Durstine

& Osborn) LEVER BROS. Lux Video Theater (produced thru J. Walter Thompson) **KRAFT FOODS**

The Kraft TV Theater (produced 1, J. Walter Thompson)

DESILU PRODUCTIONS December Bride (F)

WALT DISNEY PRODUCTIONS

Disneyland (F)

DU PONT Cavalcade Th ter (F)

FIRESTONE RUBBER CO. The Voice of Firestone

KAISER ALUMINUM CO. The Kalser Aluminum Hour

(produced by Unit Four) U. S. STEEL CORP.

The United States Steel Hour (produced by the Theater Guild)

Screen Gems

One of the other more spectacular packaging clicks has been Screen Gems, the TV subsidiary of "The Brothers," Herb Shriner and Columbia Pictures. Next season "Playhouse 90." ABC-TV's new Screen Gems will have two more packages are "Wire Service" and packages entertaining the TV audiences- "Circus Boy" and "Tales Theater" and "Father Knows Best,"

Another of the more active packwill have seven half-hour shows on the networks in the coming season-"Dragnet," "Crusader," "General "Star Stage" of last season.

sidiary of 20th Century-Fox, has operation also. Beginning with its show, "The 20th Century - Fox Hour,," it added "My Friend Flicka" and just recently "Broken Arrow."

Four Star Films

Four Star Films, which suffered "Zane Grey Theater."

to a Million." Talent Associates the the rewards are large. lost "Apointment With Adventure," and "Philco-Goodyear Playhouse." Goodyear continues with an NBCpackaged show.

(Continued on page 18) the network packaging scene are this page.

clude "Hiram Holiday," "Impact," "Stanley," Steve Allen and Tennessee Ernie. CBS-TV has added "Jim Bowie."

Most of these network packages of the 77th Bengal Lancers"-both are produced in conjunction with produced by Herbert Leonard, who important producers who have got also produces "Rin Tin Tin" for network financing to enable them Screen Gems. In addition, the pack- to develop, the properties and proager will continue to present "Ford duce pilot films. Lou Edelman, who scored last season with "Wyatt two of its longer running vehicles. Earp," will also have "Jim Bowie" under his wing. The always-active agers, MCA-TV, has managed to Don Sharpe has come up with a withstand the competition. MCA new one in "Wire Service." "Stanley" is a Max Liebman production.

But the networks continue to Electric Theater," Jane Wyman, rely heavily on talent packages for "Alfred Hitchcock Presents," their programming material. NBC "Schlitz Playhouse of Stars" and has Bob Hope, Steve Allen, Ten-'On Trial," a replacement for its nessee Ernie and the new hour-long

Dinah Shore stanza. The new talent TCF-TV Productions, the sub- package CBS has is Herb Shriner. The networks have also produced managed to extend its packaging a record number of pilots which they have been unable to sell. They alternate-week, hour-long dramatic include such shows as NBC's "Johnny Moccasin" and CBS "Whirleybirds" and "Cavalry Patrol." These shows still have a TV potential and may be sold to sponsors in the future.

It has been a record season for a blow when its "Four Star Play- unsuccessful pilot production. A house" was ousted, has replaced minimum of 165 half-hour pilots that series with two new ones- were produced. Twenty-nine new "Hey, Jeannie" and Dick Powell's shows have been sold to TV, not all on network, Lut among these Among the packagers whose are at least eight that are an hour properties have been casualties dur- or longer. This would indicate ing the past season are Goodson- that the odds against selling a Todman, Ed Wolff and Talent As- show on network is eight to one sociates. Goodson - Todman lost or worse, considering the num-"The Name's the Same" and "Two ber of pilots produced but not for the Money." Wolff lost "Penny reported. It is a hazardous business,

For a complete rundown on which packagers control next season's evening network presentations, see the list headed "Who Among two of the newcomers on Owns the Programs," appearing on

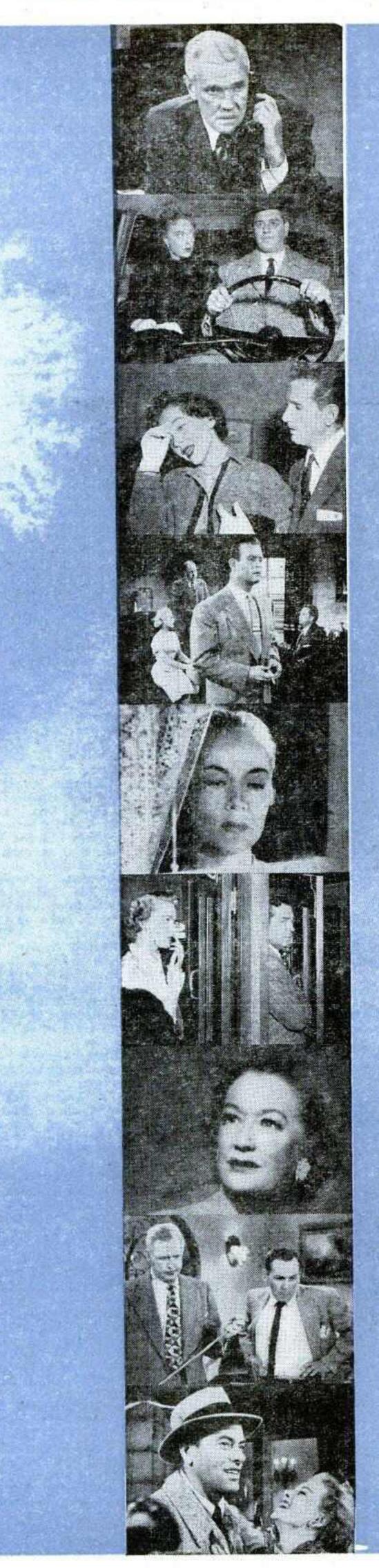


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LEWISLOR PRODUCTIONS The Loretta Young Show (F) LESSER-DOUGLAS Bold Journey* (F) WARNER BROS. Warner Bros. Presents (F) HARRY SALTER-ASHLEY-STEINER Name That Tune JACK WRATHER The Lone Ranger (F) RADIOZARK **Ozark** Jubilee TRENDLE-CAMPBELL Sergeant Preston (F) BERNARD SCHUBERT Crossroads (F) JANTONE (JAN MURRAY) Treasure Hunt* DANZIGER BROTHERS The Vise (F) **JOHN GIBBS** Schlitz Playhouse (thru Meridian Productions) **Robert Montgomery Presents** (together with Montgomery)

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Amateur Hour

Great Opportunities in Rerun

By GENE PLOTNIK steadily in the past five years. In showcase so favorable. 1956 the syndication market probtions to its anthology supply.

Long a fruitful source of station available to syndication customers. run in syndication. The rest had programming, the rerun dramas By "anthology" is meant a series have lately been finding eager cus- that does not have a fixed charactomers among top multi-market ter or performer in every episode, at the outset, some of the best sponsors. In the past year anthol- that it may have a fixed point of ogy deals have been made with view, as in "Science Fiction The-General Electric, Bulova Watch, ater." Socony Mobil, Esso Standard Oil and Slenderella International. Re- in 32 packages handled by 13 disgional deals for new, first-run dra- tributors. The quality ranges from matic films were made with Fal- \$10,000 to \$35,000-or-more prostaff Beer and Standard Oil of ductions. The vintage ranges from California, deals that will eventual- 1950 to productions still before

ly contribute still further to the re- the cameras. The syndication price The industry's stockpile of half- run opportunities of those stations hour drama on film has grown and sponsors that find this type of vintage and quality.

There are at present, according ably received the greatest contribu- to a careful estimate, a total of comprising 12 of these packages 1,935 anthology dramatic films and part of a 13th, had their first

These 1,935 films are contained

list is a semi-accurate guide to the

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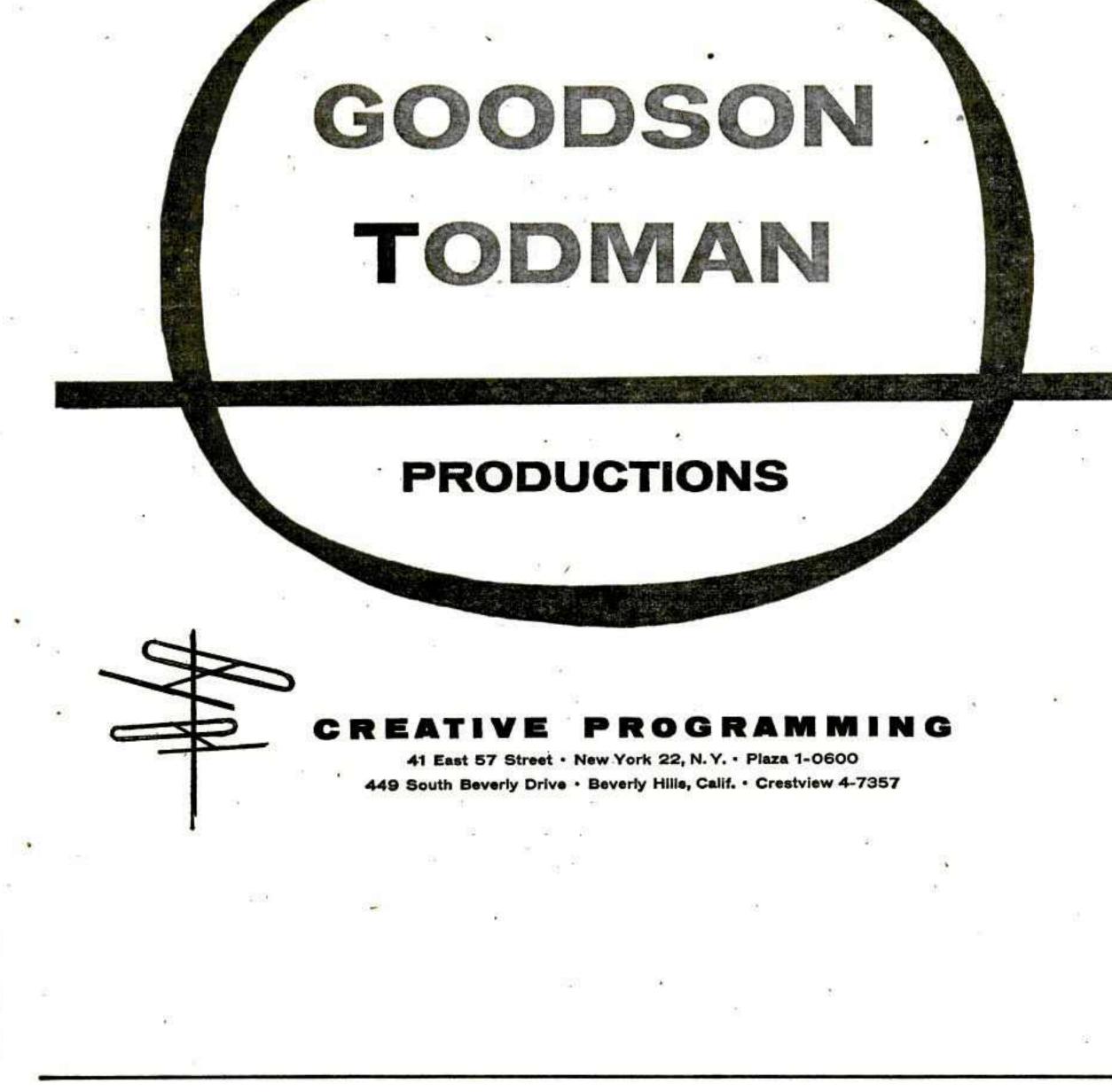
Of the 1,935 films, about 650, their first run on network.

Of those that went syndication came on the market this year. A total of 182 films contained in five series have made their debuts in 1956. Two of those series, "Douglas Fairbanks Presents" and "Science Fiction Theater," are offering subsequent year production in 1956. The other three series, "Celebrity Playhouse," "Stage 7" and "Lilli Paimer Theater," made their first appearance in 1956 or in the closing days of 1955.

The anthology stockpile was also enormously enriched with network reissues this year. Four distributors have brought six groups containing a total of 361 former network dramas into syndication in 1956. Three of these groups were continuations of old reliable dramatic series. Screen Gems put another year's worth of "Ford Theater" into its "All Star Theater." ABC Film Syndication put together another 52 reruns of "Schlitz Playhouse of Stars" for syndication as "Herald Playhouse." And the Thompson-Koch agency put in another 39 reruns of "The Vice."

New Reissues

But probably more significant are the former network dramatic shows that made their debut in syndication this year, particularly "Four Star Playhouse," which forms the bulk of Official Films' "Star Performance" package of 153 dramas. This series, whose main stars include Dick Powell, Charles Boyer and David Niven, has within five months of selling been placed in 130 markets and has landed three multi-market sponsors in the 10 to 50-market class. Two other former network series have gone into syndication this year, "Cavalcade of America," 39 films of which make up Official Films' "American Legend," and "Damon Runyon Theater," which Screen Gems is just putting into syndication. Thus, in 1956 so far the drama stockpile in syndication has been enlarged to the tune of 543 films, which is 26 per cent of the total current supply.



Biggest Supplies

The largest single collection of dramatic films is, as ever, that of MCA-TV. Its "Famous Playhouse" group, for which it claims 300 films, is a larger supply of drama than any other distributor has. In addition, MCA has the "Curtain Call" series.

The second largest supplier of syndicated drama is Screen Gems with 278, the largest part being "All-Star Theater."

Third is Official Films, which jumped into this position this year when it put "Star Performance" and "American Legend" into syn-dication. Official has a total of 231 dramas.

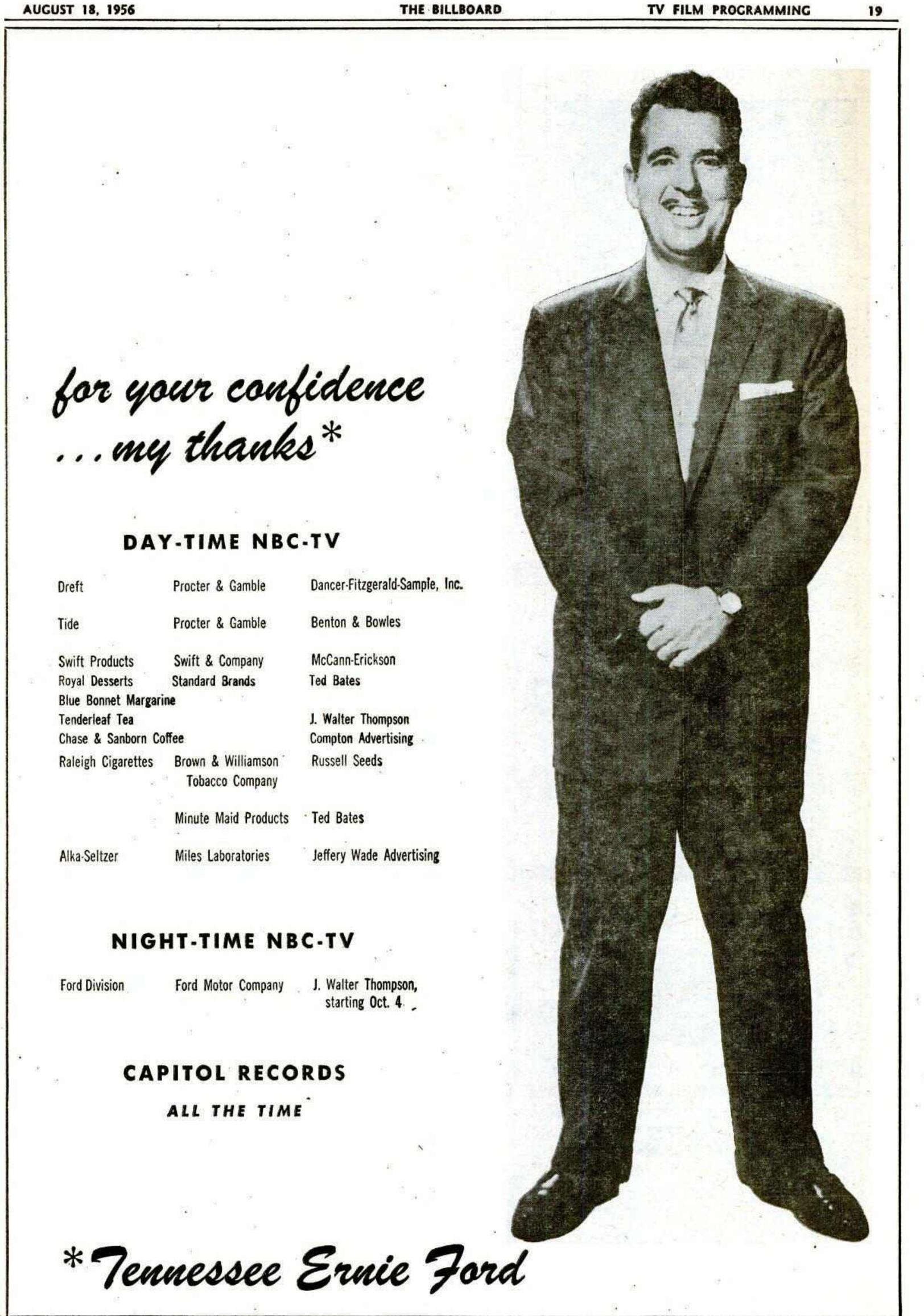
Ziv-TV, over the years, has also put 231 half-hour dramas into syndication, including its currently first run "Science Fiction Theater." But Ziv has turned its reruns over to Economee TV, which thus has 153 dramas.

So actually the fourth largest supply is that of ABC Film Syndication, which, with "The Play-house," "Herald Playhouse" and "Douglas Fairbanks Presents" has a total of 221 dramas.

Those are the five distributors that have at least 100 half-hour dramas in stock.

The growth potential of the drama stockpile in syndication is (Continued on page 29)







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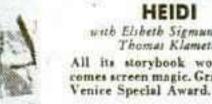


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Foremost Dairies Switches \$1.5 Mil. Account to BBD&O

Dairies, third largest dairy company fices in all of the dairy's marketing in the United States, last week areas, well as in foreign countries switched its account from Guild, in which Foremost is expanding. Bascom & Bonfigli of San Fran- GB&B had been handling the comcisco to BBD&O. Approximately pany's national business, but 14 or \$1.5 million in billings was in- 15 other agencies had been emvolved.

largest national spot sponsors in TV now be integrated under BBD&O. kets.

it and the switch in agencies.

BBD&O was picked, he de- airwaves heavily.

HOLLYWOOD -- Foremost clared, because it has branch ofployed on a local basis thruout Foremost became one of the the country. All of this activity will

this spring when it bought the According to Volkwein, no de-Rosemary Clooney show from cision has yet been made as to fu-MCA-TV for some 60-odd mar- ture TV plans, but sales results obtained from the medium so far have E. L. Volkwein, the firm's ad- been extremely good. BBD&O, vertising manager, said that Fore- also, is an agency which has almost has been very happy with the ways stressed television, with sevjob the program has done, and that eral regional, e.g., Standard Oil there was no connection between Company, Burgermeister, as well as national accounts utilizing the

TOP SHOW PLUGGERS

A Weekly Digest of an Outstanding Audience Promotion Campaign Entered in The Billboard's 18th Annual Promotion Competition

MCA-TV: "Dr. Hudson's Secret Journal"

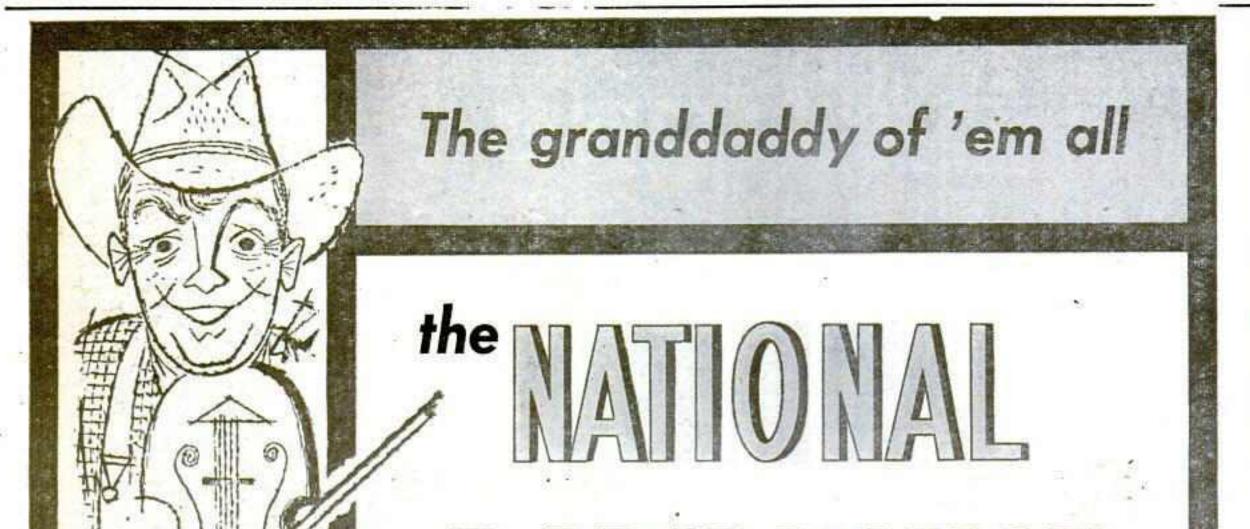
THE BILLBOARD

To launch this unusual syndicated show, MCA-TV and the producers, Gene Solow and Brewster Morgan, conceived "TV's greatest talent hunt." They got TV Guide to sponsor it. They were looking for a lad, 17 to 21 years old, to play the role of Tim Watson. The TV Guide of July 30 printed a portion of the pilot script, titled "The Tim Story." The contestants were asked to record their readings of the role and send in the recording with a photo and biography. Local TV stations were asked to cooperate. A 60-second trailer on the contest was sent to every TV station that signed for the show.

As the board of judges, MCA and Solow-Margan picked Jane Wyman, Ray Milland and George Stevens.

Five finalists were picked, each of them getting a big local write-up. They were flown to Hollywood and met at the airport by John Howard and Frances Mercer, stars of "Dr. Hudson."

On October 6, MCA-TV announced the winner, 19-year-old Joe Walker of Houston, a discovery of the late Margo Jones. (Next week: WICU-TV, Erie, Pa.)



Half-Hr. Series Put Into Synd. So Far in '56 14 of 23 Programs On 1st Run Basis; 9 Web Reissues

AUGUST 18, 1956

Following is a list of the halfhour film series that have been put into, syndication so far in 1956. There are a total of 23 shows on the list, of which 14 went into syndication on a firstrun basis and nine were network reissues.

The list consists of seven adventure series, seven dramatic series, two situation comedies, two Westerns, one musical, three mysteries and one miscellaneous series.

PLACED ON SALE JANUARY, 1956

The Goldbergs-Guild Films Co. Drama, First Run, 39 films,

Federal Men-MCA-TV Adventure, Network Reissue of "T-Men in Action," 39 films,

Crunch and Des-NBC Television Films Adventure, First Run, 39 films,

PLACED ON SALE FEBRUARY, 1956

Three Musketeers-ABC Film Syndication

Adventure, First Run, 26 films, Rosemary Clooney-MCA-TV Musical, First Run, 39 films, Adventures of Dr. Fu Manchu-Hollywood TV Service

Mystery, First Run, 13 films.

PLACED ON SALE MARCH, 1956

Under the Sun-CBS-TV Film Sales Miscellancous, Network Reissue, 26 films,

Combat Sergeant-National Telefilm Associates

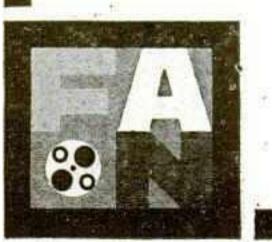
First Run, 13 films.

The American Legend-Official Films

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Drama, Network Reissue of cade of America," 39 films, Herald Playhouse-ABC Film Syndication

- Drama, Network Reissue of "Schlitz Playhouse," 34 films,
- Stage 7-Television Programs of America
- Drama, First Run, 39 films, Star Performance-Official Films Drama, Network Reissue of "Four Star Playhouse," 153 films.

PLACED ON SALE APRIL, 1956

Code 3-ABC Film Syndication Adventure, First Run, 39 films. Theater With Lilli Palmer-National Teletilm Associates Drama, First Run, 26 films,

PLACED ON SALE MAY, 1956

Brave Eagle-CBS Film Sales Western, Network Reissue, 26 films. State Trooper-MCA-TV Adventure, First Run, 39 films Dr. Christian-Ziv-TV Drama, First Run, 39 films Byline-Steve Wilson-M&A Alexander Ad enture, Network Reissues of "Big Town," 39 films.

PLACED ON SALE JUNE, 1956

Frontier Doctor-Hollywood TV Service Western, First Run, 26 films. Stryker of Scotland Yard-Hollywood

TV Service Mystery, First Run, 26 films Damon Runyon Theater-Screen Gems Comedy, Network Reissue, 3º films.

PLACED ON SALE JULY, 1956

The Mickey Rooney Show-Screencraft Pictures

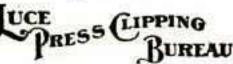
Comedy, Network Reissue, 33 films. Sheriff of Cochise-National Telefilm Associates

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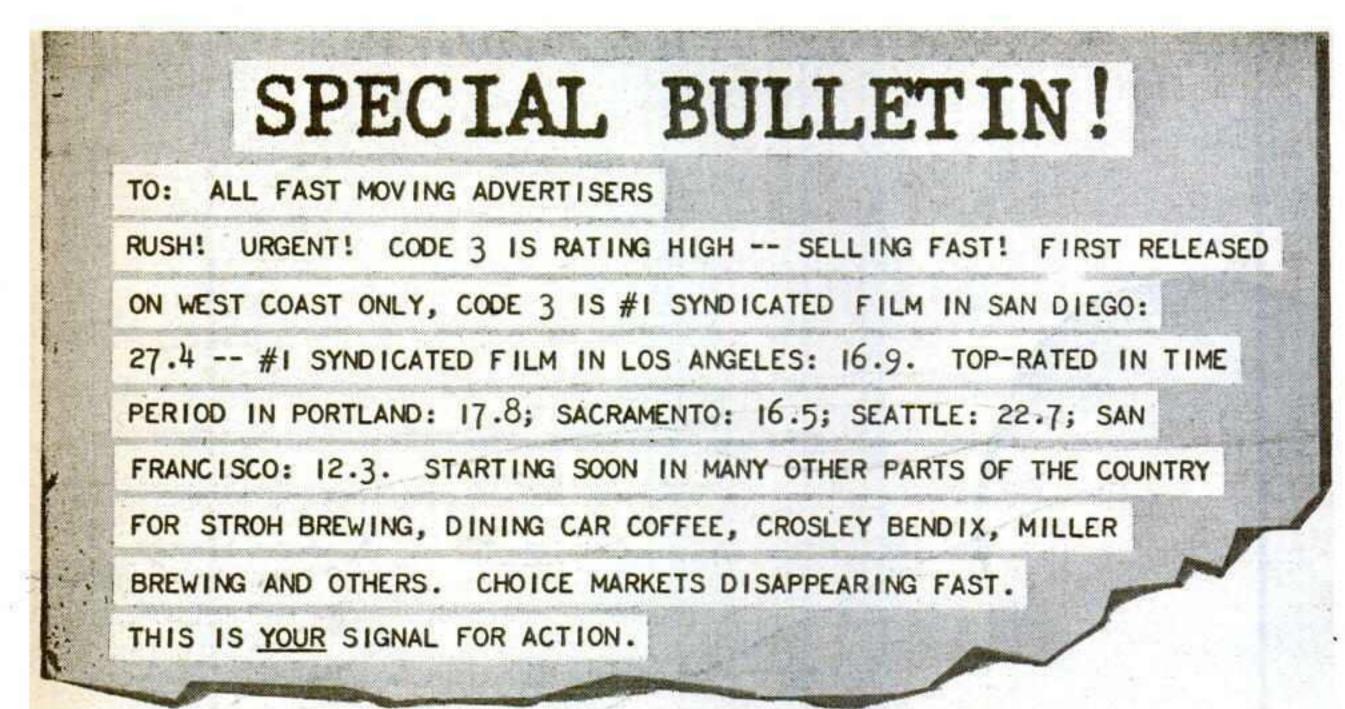
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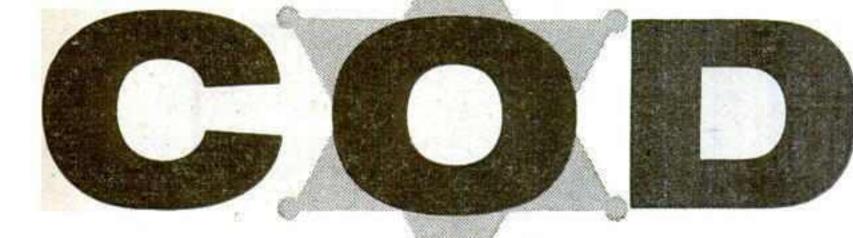
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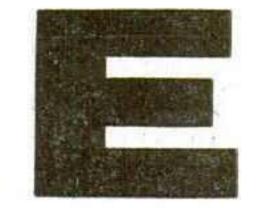
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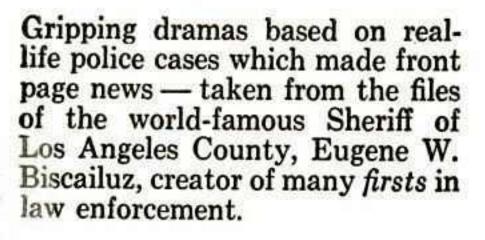
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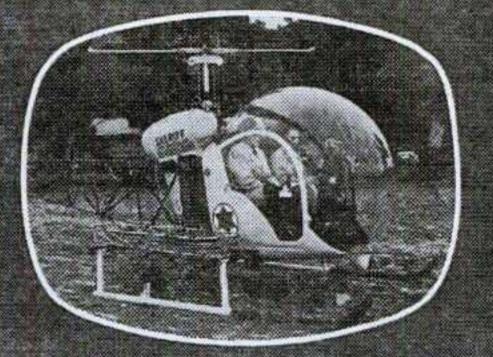
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films and Sterling's new sales

schemes on its various and ever-in-

creasing library of dramas and

shorts, all these developments of

the past year give stations a choice

of over 5,600 subjects to choose

from. And that's not all. The distri-

bution of the Warner and M-G-M

These films challenge the sta-

tion's programming ingenuity, their ability to produce an effective live

setting in which to showcase this

material. Some place in the follow-

ing list is surely at least one more

success like "Little Rascals." Al-

ready a couple of stations have

chalked up rapid sales on some of

this product, and a few sponsors

shorts are still in the offing.

Britain Nixes 21/4-Mil Grant To Comm. TV

LONDON-A big shock for the Independent Television Authority this week was the government's refusal to allow them the expected \$2,250,000 grant to sponsor the more serious type of program over the commercial TV stations. Altho with enough culture.

To the program contractors the the general money-squeeze being applied here, Chancellor MacMil-Jan vetoed the plan.

This now exposes ITA to a charge of contravening the terms of its charter by not including sufficient serious-type shows and has resurrected the old Socialist cry to scrap commercial television and give the BBC-TV the second channel it keeps asking for.

Feldman Named Veep Of Sales at Du Art Lab

NEW YORK --- Louis (Doc) Feldman has been named vicepresident in charge of sales for Du Art Film Laboratories, Inc. Feldman has been with Du Art since 1933, serving for the past seven years as sales manager be-

MISCELLANY OF SHORTS

A Program Feast: 5,600 Odds-Ends

Within the past year a wealth and Paramount shorts, the Warner of miscellaneous film has been brought into TV or re-packaged so that it is easy for stations to handle Often obscured by all the hoopla Independent Television is beating about feature films, these odds and the British Broadcasting Corpora- ends offer stations the opportunity tion's TV by three to two on the to build solid programs of their popularity polls, it is coming in for own, especially for the kiddie audi heavy criticism for not balancing ence that in so many situations has its schedules, as its charter directs, been surrendered to the "Mickey Mouse Club."

Stations fondly remember the adprospect of putting on expensive vent of the sensational sleeper. long-hair type of shows at this "Little Rascals," and the cartoon tricky point in the new service's successes like "Looney Tunes." Algrowth is terrifying. To plug this the the kiddles never seemed to gap the ITA hoped the government mind heavy reruns of these films, would allow them the sum speci- stations nevertheless have had a fied in their charter, but in view of persistent concern about where further such product would come from. Thru the best years the release of short subjects to TV has been sporadic and uncertain.

Scarcity Over

are known to be planning station-Now the days of scarcity are cer- by-station pick-ups of certain tainly over. The release of the RKO packages.

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ASSOCIATED ARTISTS PRODUCTIONS 345 Madison Ave., New York

Warner cartoons, 337

53 Bugs Bunny, 29 Porky Pig, 17 Daffy Duck; 25 other characters, including Tweety, Sniffles and Beaky Buzzard, 119 Animaland, 46 Pokin' Fun and 42 general. 311 of these are in color.

Popeye, 234.

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114 of them in color.

SERIALS AND DRAMA

HYGO TV FILMS

1501 Broadway, New York

Universal-Serials, 31

| Year | Title | Episodes | Cast |
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| 1946-47- | -Mysterious Mr. M. | | |
| 1945-46- | -Royal Mounted Rid | es | |
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| | Scarlet Horseman | | Peter Cookson |
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| 1944-45- | -Mystery of River Be | oat12R | |
| | Jungle Queen | | ois Collier, Ruth Roman |
| | Master Key | | .Alfred La Rue, Jane Wiley |
| 1943-44- | -Adventures of Flyir | ø | June (rine) |
| | Cadets | | . Johnny Downs, Regis Toomey |
| | Great Alaskan Mys | tery13 | |
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| 1912-43- | -Jr. G-Men of Air | | |
| | Overland Mail | | |
| 1941-42- | -Riders of Death Va | lley15 | |
| | Sea Raiders | 12 | Dead End Kids |
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| 1940-41- | -Winners of West | D | |
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STERLING TELEVISION

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Quarter-Hour Dramas, 182

Invitation Playhouse, 26 films; Little Show, 32 films; Little Theater, 52 films; Charles Laughton, 26 films; Tropic Hazard, 13 films; Public Prosecutor, 26 films.

SHORTS

TRANS-LUX TELEVISION

625 Madison Avenue, New York

Encyclopaedia Britannic Films, 22 groups

Adventure in Science, 34 films; Animal Kingdom, 38; Behind the Scenes, 18; Bringing Up Your Baby, 15; Children Love Animals, 30; Children of Many Lands, 18; Children's Stories, 22; Classroom of the Air, 36; Creative Arts, 28; Here's How, 43; Here Is to 47 Now in Chicago Health, 18; Holiday, 11; Life in the U. S. A., 26; March of Science, 44; Medicine Marches On, 20; Open for Business, 19; Our America, 46; Profile, 39; Sports, 14; The World at Large, 50; Video Digest, 21; What's Your Line? 27.

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Paramount shorts, 989

Color-119: 30 two-reel Musical Parades; 6 Musical Romances; 12 Color Cruises; 71 Unusual Occupations.

Black and White-870: 38 Speaking of Animals; 130 one-reel Comedies; 25 Screen Souvenirs; 70 two-reel Mack Sennett; 9 Robert Benchley; 127 Bands and Singers; 6 Symphonic Music; 85 Varieties and Novelties; 6 Hedda Hopper; 24 Pacemakers; 11 Bruce Outdoors; 208 Grantland Rice Sportlights; 109 Pictorials.

RKO Shorts, 989

109 This Is America; 43 Specialties; 36 Headliners; 14 Musicals; 8 Songfests; 8 My Pal; 96 Edgar Kennedy Comedies; 79 Leon Errol Comedies; 20 Comedy Specials; 20 Radio Flash; 17 Clark and McCullough Comedies; 16 Ray Whitely; 164 All-Star Comedies; 208 Sportascopes; 63 Screenliners; 35 Flicker Flashbacks; 26 Reelism; 27 Jamborees and Parades.

N Adapts ie Pattern

YORK--KRON is plante night TV show next at foliows a pattern of ing that's been long esin practically every movie the country.

ation, which recently package of Warner Bros. features, cartoons and short subjects from Associated Artists, plans to use them much the same way that movie houses do. According to reports, the station hopes to program a late night show that will start off with a cartoon, which will then be followed perhaps by a short subject and finally by a feature film.

Niles Productions Adds 8 to Staff;

CHICAGO--Eight new people were added to the Fred A. Niles Productions staff, with one member elevated to the post of creative director, according to Fred Niles, president of the Chicago-Hollywood production firm, bringing the number of staff members to 47 in Chicago.

The new staff members are: Douglas Robertson, supervising editor; Roy Carlsen, assistant editor; Mrs. Gladys May, conformist; Tom Rook, production assistant; Bernard Zalusky, artist; Sally McDonald, assistant to the controller; June Weber, sales and production secretary, and Felix Angelers, editor. Ruth L. Ratny, who has been with the firm since its inception in the role of publicity director, was upped to the post of creative diJames C. Petrillo

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SYNDICATION CROSSROADS

Dozens of Question Marks Blur Road Signs of TV Films' Future

By BOB SPIELMAN

TV film syndication, which came of age in 1952, today apparently stands at the crossroads. Whereas last season saw the most plentiful supply of product in the history of the medium, for the fall of 1956 films by the dozen have been replaced by many question marks. One thing is certain. As of the moment there is the most serious drought of new syndicated product in several years. The result is that many indie stations are turning to the backbone of their program 78 skeds.

only eight new programs on the word "if." If all these "ifs" are syndicated market, compared to 27 answered in the affirmative, by a year ago. The rerun supply is January the vidpix supply may bealso leveling off. In 1955 there come more plentiful, but this will were 11 shows coming off the nets not benefit stations looking for new for the first time (tho some of product in September. these were not latched onto by distributors immediately). In 1956, reasons for the syndication letthree will be available immediately, down? (These are not necessarily with the possibility that two or listed in the order of their importhree more may come on the market in due time.

Perhaps the most significant feature films and reruns to build characteristic of the situation is its uncertainty. The most common word among telefilm distributors

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What are some of the primary tance.)

1. The lapse of time between investment and income for a producer. During this period, bank notes must be carried or. the production, with interest often rising to staggering sums.

2. A paucity of Class A time on stations, making selling more difficult and slowing down the process of financial returns.

3. Rising production costs, not balanced by a concomitant increase in income. This has been aggravated by the upping of residual payments, which affect the syndicated producer to a much greater degree than one making product for national sale.

4. The 40 per cent distribution fee charged by most distributors. Tho syndicators are generally able to justify this, producers claim it knocks the props out from under their financial return.

5. The opening of more network time to sponsors, due to the rise of ABC. This, conversely, tends to cut down on station time availabilities.

6. The trend toward multiple sponsorship. This, again, adds more advertisers to web programs, and deprives syndicators of some possible national spot business. Multiple sponsorship in syndication is still relatively rare because of the problem of getting diverse advertisers to agree on times and markets. 7. Initiating of the practice by the nets of spotting reruns as strip shows during daytime hours. On the other hand, there are some factors that possibly are beginning to shift the scales back in the opposite direction. The Television Bureau of Advertising, in presenting the advantages of spot TV, is making many advertisers spot conscious. For many national and regional sponsors, syndication offers the opportunity to market-tailor their messages, thus to obtain greater value out of their advertising dollar. The rise of production-distribution organizations, built on the Ziv-TV model, makes the distribution fee problem, in those particular cases, an academic one. At the same time, many of the Ziv production shortcuts, which lower costs, are also being adopted. Another stimulant to production are the sales forces themselves. To accomplish saturation selling in syndication, an extensive force is needed, and this has to be kept supplied with product. Foreign filming, such as practiced by Television Programs of America, Official Films, NBC Television Films and others, is a means of cutting costs and circumventing residuals, and may come more and more into vogue for making syndicated programs. Nevertheless, the situation still remains that some leading distributors will not have any new syndicated series for fall, and that others are cutting back their output. This is the new product situation, by distributor, this year as compared to last (programs released in the spring are not included.) Net reissues are indicated by (R), and continuing shows producing new cycles for the fall Ziv-TV: 1956 - "Dr. Christian;" (Continued on page 29)

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Anthologies Big in Rerun

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no telling what might yet be produced for first-run syndication. That would depend on the major regional sponsors, and, with the ticula lush supply of reissues, there is fore. little likelihood that any of them will order a brand new anthology. The chances are that any dramatic series produced specifically for syndication will have a specific type of story, such as "Science Fiction Theater."

But there is still plenty of drama on network that can be expected to land up in syndication sooner or later. And, as usual, MCA-TV stands to get the major share of this supply. Five series that have played the 1955-1956 season on network among them represent a potential increase of about 200 films to MCA-TV Syndication Di- plenty to go around. vision's drama collection: "Star Stage," "Alfred Hitchcock Pre-sents," "General Electric Theater," "Jane Wyman's Fireside Theater" and "The Millionaire." Four of these series will continue on the networks in the 1956-1957 season, and in addition MCA has now taken over production of the "Schlitz Playhouse of Stars," which will thus also redound to its syndication division ultimately.

Two other past and present network dramatic series that have yet to see the light of syndication are the "Loretta Young Show" and "TV Reader's Digest," which between them could add close to another 200 dramatic films to the syndication stockpile.

Good Buys

Anthology drama has always been presumed to have high rerun tolerance. The station can mix them up, put a new title on the series, group them according to story type. The sponsor or station can add its own host. Thus, the

still enormous. There is, of course, series is not immediately recognizable as a rerun. It is only the astute viewer who will spot a particular film as one he has seen be-

> Anthology drama generally draws a broad adult audience, tho it tends to be stronger on women regional deal jells). 1955-"Dr. viewers. In the modern pattern of Hudson's Secret Journal;" "Mayor living, in which husband and wife of the Town;" Ray Milland Show tend to co-operate in family func- (R). tions, including buying decisions, more advertisers are seeking such (probable); one first-run series an audience.

The stockpile of anthology drama in syndication represents a produc- Donovan, Western Marshal." tion investment of over \$40,000,shows ever filmed for TV. It con-

 Continued from page 28 "Highway Patrol" (C). 1955-1(R); "Life With Father" (R). "Highway Patrol," "I Led Three

Lives" (C). MCA-TV: 1956-"Dr. Hudson's Secret Journal," (C); "State Trooper" (January release); "The Sea Hawk," (January release providing "The Goldbergs."

NBC Film: 1956–"Frontier" (R) planned for January sale. 1955-"The Great Gildersleeve;" "Steve tures of Mitch" (probable). 1955-

tion investment of over \$40,000,- CBS Film: 1956 - "Assignment 000. It includes some of the best Foreign Legion;" "Brave Eagle" (R); one or two other series postains numerous buys, and there's sible for January. 1955 - "Long John Silver," "San Francisco Beat" "Three Musketeers."

Guild Films: 1956-None. (Possible January release for "Captain Grief" if regional with Standard Oil Co. of California goes thru.) 1955-"Confidential File;" "I Spy;"

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TPA: 1956-"Last of the Mohicans" (probably, but not definitely set for syndication). "Foreign Legionnaire" (R). 1955-"The Count of Monte . Cristo"; "Susie" (R); "Halls of Ivy" (R).

Official Films: 1956 - "Adven-"The Scarlet Pimpernel" (R); "Trouble With Father" (R); "Willy" (R).

ABC Film: 1956-None. 1955-"Sheena, Queen of the Jungle;"

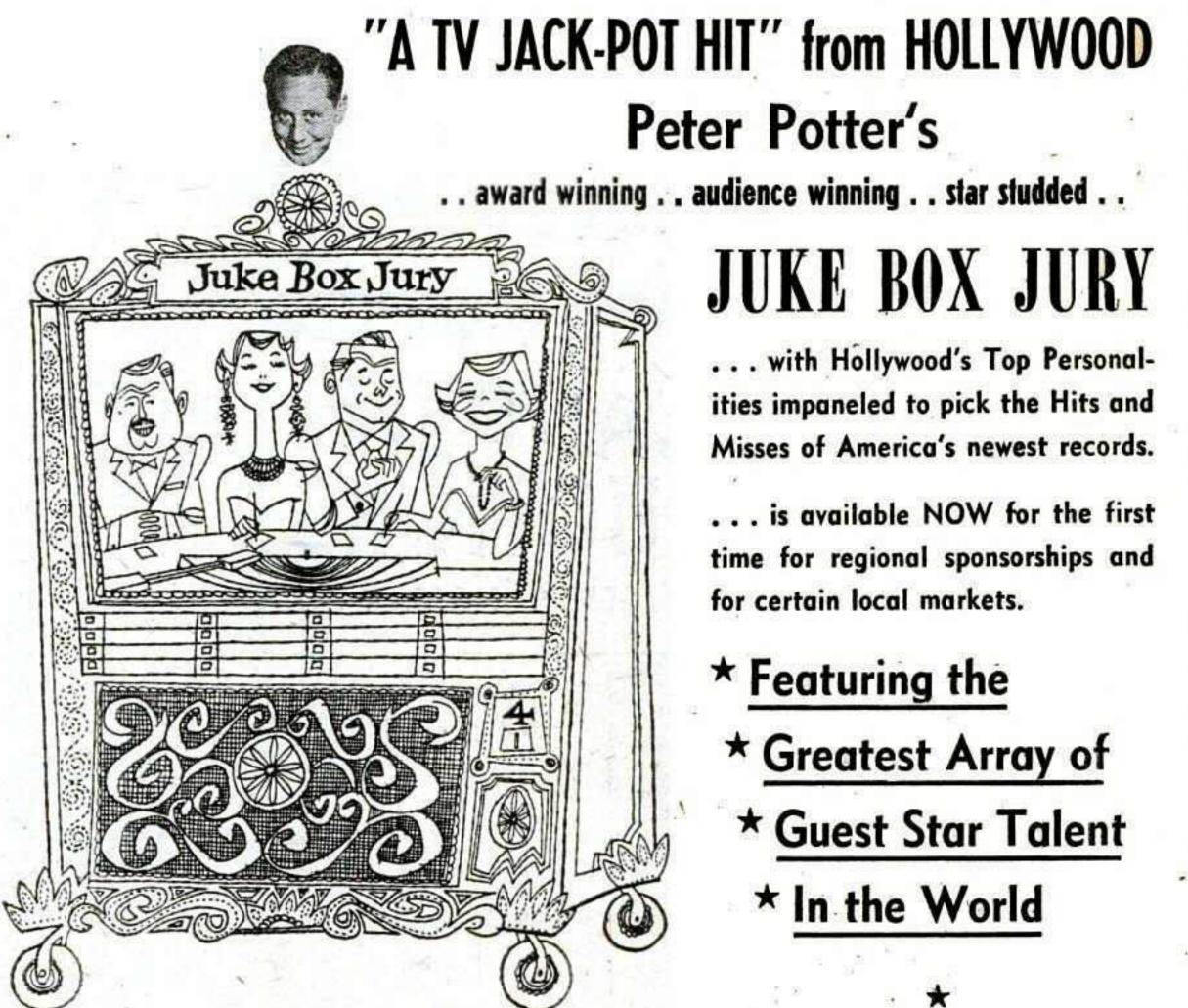
Screen Gems: 1956-"The Web" (providing adequate regional is negotiated); "Tales of the Texas Rangers" (C); anthology reruns. 1955-"Jungle Jim;" "Tales of the Texas Rangers.

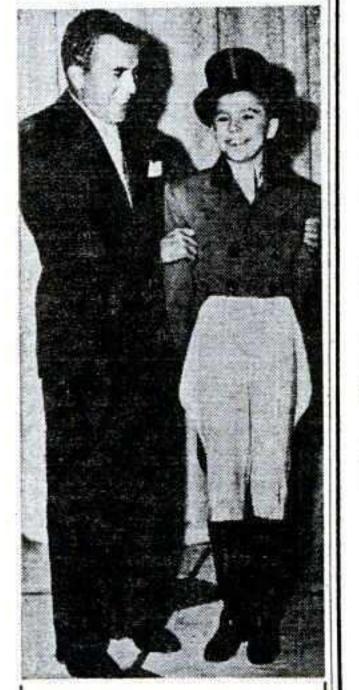
National Telefilm Associates: 1956:-"Sheriff of Cochise;" "Lillie Palmer Theater." 1955 - "Police Call."

Hollywood TV Service: 1956-"Frontier Doctor." 1955-None.

Screencraft: 1956-"Mickey Rooney Show" (R). "Judge Roy Bean." General Teleradio: 1956 - "Big Idea." 1955-"Uncommon Valor; "Gangbusters."

M&A Alexander: 1956-"Byline, Steve Wilson." 1955-None. Vitapix: 1956-"Blondie." 1955-None.





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A Quick Look at the New Net Programs

More than 28 new TV programs will make their debuts on the three networks during weekends and evenings in the fall of 1956. Here are brief previews of most of these new shows:

THE BOING-BOING SHOW, CBS-TV, Sunday, time not set yet.

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The late fall will see the debut of UPA Pictures' all-cartoon show named after and emseed by one of UPA's most famous characters. Gerald McBoing-Boing. There will Fulton and others, and "Musical be five different segments in each Vignettes," consisting of abstract half-hour stanza. One of them will animation to jazz backgrounds. consist of UPA's theatrical subjects | Over 30 original songs have been (except for the Mr. Magoo series). composed for this show. Needless the "Dusty of the Circus" series, ages.

the Twirliger Twins, consisting of gleeful songs and dances; a series of six segments about contemporary artists, including Dufy, Chagall and Miro; "American Inventors," humorous stories about Edison, The rest, all TV originals, include to say, it will be for children of all

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LANDMARK, CBS-TV, Sunday, 5-6 p.m., EST.

Based on the Random House series of history books for kids, the TV show will be hosted by the publisher's boss, Bennett Cerf. Each episode is an alventure on an actual hero or heroic venture in American history. There's one on Ethen Allen and the Green Mountain Boys, relating their capture of Fort Ticonderoga in the opening be portrayed by Phil Carey and days of the Revolutionary War. There's one on the Pony Express. The opening stanza is on John Paul | CIRCUS BOY, NBC-TV,

Jones. Filmed at the 20th Century-Fox studios on the West Coast, 'Landmark" has lots of action, extras and big sets. It's an educationentertainment packag: for the whole family.

ADVENTURES OF THE 77th BENGAL LANCERS, NBC-TV,

Sunday, 7-7:30 p.m., EST.

decade when England's colonial the early 1900's. Noah Beery will empire was being held together by play Joey, the clown, who is a the might of its overseas forces, combination of father and buddy is the setting of this new costume to the boy. Robert Lowery plays adventure series being produced Big Tim Champion, the owner of by Screen Gems. Bert Leonard, the circus. Also an important who also is turning out "Rin Tin member of the regular cast is Tin" and "Circus Boy," is the Bimbo, a baby elephant, the boy's creator and producer of this show. pet. Focal point of the series is the adventures of two members of the THE ADVENTURES OF SIR LANCELOT, 77th Bengal Lancers. They will Warren Stevens.

Sunday, 7:30-8 p.m., EST

The same team that came up with the successful "Rin Tin Tin" series is responsible for "Circus Boy," a Screen Gems property. Bert Leonard will be the producer and Robert Walker the director of the new show, which stars a young newcomer, Mickey Braddock, in the role of an orphan boy who is India in the 1880's, a turbulent "adopted" by a traveling circus in

NBC-TV,

Monday, 8-8:30 p.m., EST.

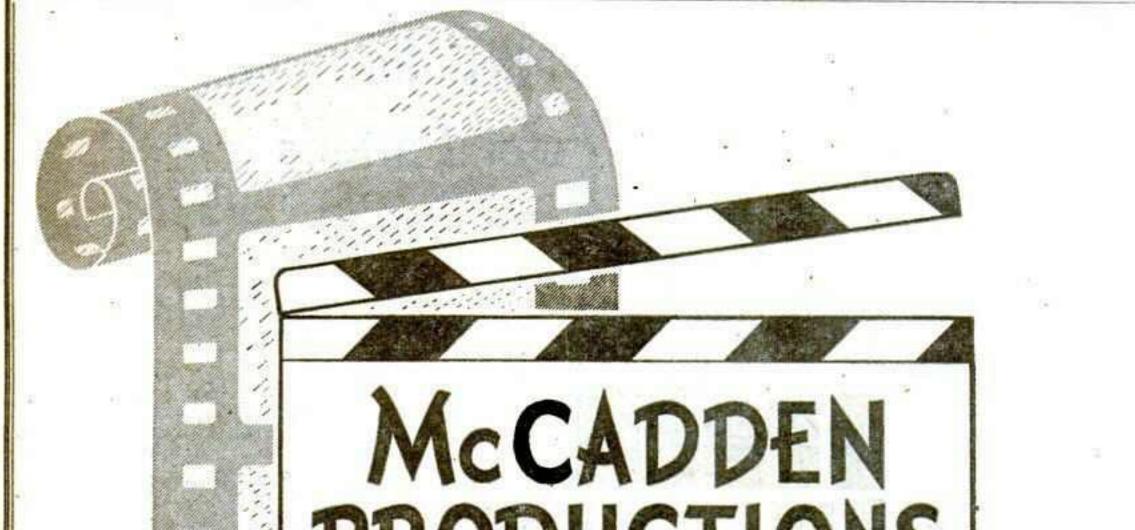
King Arthur and the knights of the round table figure in this adventure series about Merrie Olde England. The show will attempt to recapture the color and action of medieval chivalry, with ducls, jousts and authentic castles. The stories are all originals. The leading man, William Russell, is described as a new Laurence Olivier. Filmed in England, "Lancelot" is an attempt by Hannah Weinstein's Sapphire Films to repeat the success of its "Robin Hood" series.

STANLEY, NBC-TV, Monday, 8:30-9 p.m., EST.

"Stanley" will present a new personality to the American TV scene -Buddy Hackett. The rotund comedian will play the manager of a newsstand in one of the leading New York hotels. Hackett has been a big-timer on the night club scene, but first sprang into national prominence in the Broadway play "Lunatics and Lovers." Max Liebman will produce and direct.

LAWRENCE WELK SHOW, ABC-TV, Monday, 9:30-10:30 p.m., EST.

Format of the second hour-long Welk stanza on ABC-TV has not been decided yet, with only some basic principles decided on. The program will be patterned along the lines of the Saturday Welk show, but will be beamed at a teen-age audience. Talent and guest performers will be young people. At the same time new personalities will be given a chance to break in, with the possibility that a talent search will be conducted among colleges in conjunction with the program.



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THE BROTHERS, CBS-TV, Tuesday, 8:30-9 p.m., EST

One of the few new situation comedies to make its appearance next season, "The Brothers" will star Gale Gordon and Bob Sweeney as two brothers who are partners in a photo studio in San Francisco. Romantic interest will be provided by Ann Marvis, who plays a lady doctor and girl friend of Gordon, and Nancy Hadley, who plays the part of Sweeney's girl friend. An-other regular is Frank Orth, who plays the father of the brothers. An unusual character it the show is Andy, a darkroom worker who never appears on screen but whose caustic comments are frequently heard.

HERB SHRINER SHOW, CBS-TV, Tuesday, 9-9:30 p.m., EST.

Tho initially planned as an hourlong show, the new Herb Shriner program will hit the air as a half (Continued on page 32)





RERUN RATINGS

There was a time in the TV business when "rerun" was a dirty word, and, indeed, in some outlying quarters it probably still is. But the experiences of recent years have pretty much dispelled the once widely held predjudice against reruns, which was based on the theory that the second run of a film program will of necessity get a smaller audience and an unsatisfactory rating.

It is occasionally necessary to document the performance of rerun films. The following chart gives a generous sampling of rerun ratings registered over the past couple of years. "Rerun" actually can refer to anyone of several different phenomena. The chart gives examples of five different types of rerun situations.

All the information in the following chart was provided by the distributors of the shows listed. Naturally, they all tell pretty good stories. There is no implication here that some reruns-like anything else-do not do so well. But the following facts are numerous, and they are true.

I. Network Rerun-Same Year

Title: RAY MILLAND SHOW Sponsor: General Electric Network: CBS, Thurs., 8-8:30 p.m. Distributor: MCA-TV Ratings: A. C. Nielsen

FIRST RUN

| Year: Sept. '54-June '55 | | Year: July '55-Oct. '55 | | |
|--|--|---|----------|--|
| Nileisen Report 2d Sept. 1st Oct. 2d Oct. 1st Nov. 2d Nov. 1st Dec. 2d Dec. 1st Jan. 2d Jan. 1st Feb. 1st Feb. | | 2d July 1st Aug. 2d Aug. 1st Sept. 2d Sept. | 13.5 | |
| 2d Mar. 1st Apr. 2d Apr. | | | 8 | |
| 1st May 2d May 1st June 2d June | | 0 | 0.00 | |

SECOND RUN

| STARS | | PLAYHOUS | E | |
|--|----------|--|---------|------------|
| Sponsor: Jos. Schlitz Brewing | | Sponsors: Pet Milk and S. C. Johnson. | | |
| 12 | | Distributor: AB | C Fil | m Syndica- |
| | | Ratings: A. C. N | Vielsen | a |
| FIRST RUN . | | RERUN | | |
| Network: CBS, Fri., 9:30-19 Year: Dec. '53-Nov. '54 | | Network: CBS, Tuo Year: June '55-Sep | | 6-10 |
| | 1st Run | Ist Run | Rerua | Rerun |
| Episode | Date | Rating | Date | Rating |
| Four Things He'd Do | | 28.0 | | 20.1 |
| The Net Draws Tight | 10/ 8/54 | 25.1 | 6/28 | 22.0 |
| Something Wonderful | 4/16/54 | 29.7 | 7/ 5 | 19.2 |
| Some Delay at Fort Bess | 9/ 3/54 | | 7/12 | 26.2 |
| Decision at Sea | 4/30/54 | 28.3 | | 22.7 |
| At the Natchez Inn | | | | not rated |
| The Long Trail | | | | 21.8 |
| The Black Mate | 6/18/54 | 22.5 | | 25.0 |
| Little War in San Dede | | not rated | | 21.4 |

1st Run Title: PLAYHOUSE Rerun Title: SPOTLIGHT

..... 19.2 26.2 22.7 ...not rated 21.8 25.0 21.4 The Pearl Handled Gun 1/15/54 18.4 8/30 23.5 The Roman and the Renegade 8/ 6/54 18.4 8/30 23.5 The Closed Door...... 11/27/53 ... not rated 9/13 31.1

III. First Year Syndication-26 and 26

Title: ANNIE OAKLEY

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II. Network Summer Replacement

Distributor: CBS-TV Film Sales

Ratings: TelePulse

| City, Station, Time | Run | Dates | A verage Rating | Homes Reached |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|-------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| Baltimore WBAL, Sat., 5:3 | | Feb. June, 1954. | | 82,837 |
| | | Aug. Dec., 1954. | | 124,905 |
| Kassas City KCMO, Sun., 5-3 | 5:30 | Feb. April, 1954. | | |
| | 2nd | Aug. Dec., 1954. | | 85,799 |
| Los Angeles KTTV, Tues., 7- | 7:30 | FebJune, 1954. | 007200 | |
| | 2nd | AugDec., 1954. | | 245,908 |
| Minneapolis WTCN, Sun., 5-3 | | Feb June, 1954. | | 56,743 |
| 2000 2000 00 Pro- 20 20 Pro- | 2nd | Aug -Dec., 1954. | | 70,176 |
| Rochester, N. Y. WHAM, Thurs., | 6-6:30 | Mar. April, 1954 | | |
| | 2nd | OctDec., 1954. | | 69,044 |
| Scattle KOMO-KING, M | lon. 7-7:30 | FebJune, 1954. | | |
| | 2nd | AugDec., 1954. | | 65,746 |
| | | ((| Continued on | page 32) |

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Technicolor **Buys Pavelle**

NEW YJRK-The Technicolor Corporation has bought the assets and business of Pavelle Color, Inc., independent processor of amateur color film. Pavell products and services are marketed nationally, with concentrated distribution in 22 major U. S. markets.

This purchase makes Technicolor the world's largest independent processor of amateur color film. Services include processing of 35mm. Kodachrome, Anscochrome and Ektachrome. Their Hollywood plant will be the first to besin processing 8-mm. and 16-mm. Kodachrome movie film in early 1957. Financial details are not yet prepared for publication.

KONO Buys NTA Catalog

SAN ANTONIO --- Purchase was made last week by KONO-TV. of all of the National Telefilm Association catalog of film with the exception of the "Sheriff of Cochise" half-hour series and thelibrary of Paramount Pictures short subjects and cartoons.

Price paid for the NTA product is reportedly about \$150,000. The purchase covers such packages as the 20th Century-Fox features, the Selznick features, the Lilli Palmer series, the TNT package of features and the "China Smith" series among others. Product hits the air in January.

| PROGRAMMING- | 9 - 19 |
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IV. Subsequent-Year Syndication-39 and 39

Title. STEVE DONOVAN, WESTERN MARSHAL

Distributor: NBC Television Films Sponsor: Langendorf United Bakeries 1st Run Dates: April-Dec., 1955 2d Run Dates: Jan.-June, 1956 Ratings: American Research Bureau

| City Bakersfield, Calif | Run | Average Rating |
|--|-----|-------------------|
| and the second s | 2nd | |
| Fresno, Calif | | |
| Los Angeles | 1st | 4.0 |
| Portland, Ore | | 5.3 |
| 163 16 110 | | 19.5 |

2nd.....12.3 2nd.....14.4 San Francisco1st.......11.7 2nd..... 9.2

Run

Average

Rating

Title: ELLERY OUEEN

Distributor: Television Programs of America Ratings: Videodex

| 75 | Runs | | Period | | Dates | | | 100 | Rafings |
|--------|-----------|------|---------|-----------|-------|--------|--------|------|---------|
| Boston | 1st | WNAC | Sun., | 10:30-11A | Aug., | 1954-1 | March, | 1955 | 19.5 |
| | 2nd | WNAC | Sun., | 10:30-11A | April | July, | 1955 | | 27,0 |
| | and & 3rd | WNAC | . Fri., | 10:30-11N | Vov., | 1955 | July, | 1956 | 22.0 |

City

Network Reissue

Title: DRAGNET-BADGE 714-Series C

Distributor: NBC Television Films

Ratings: American Research Bureau

| City | Run | Station | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | Average |
|--------------------------|-------|---------|---------------------------------------|---|
| | | | Time | Rating |
| Albuquerque | .1st | КОВ | Thur., 7-7:30 | |
| | 2nd . | | Mon., 8-8:30 | |
| Bakersfield, Calif | .1st | | Thur., 9-9:30 | |
| THE MANY | 2nd | | Sat., 9-9:30 | |
| Birmingham | .1st | WABT | Thur., 8-8:30 | |
| | 2nd . | WBRC | Fri., 10-10:30 | |
| Detroit | .1st | WWJ | Thur., 8-8:30. | |
| | 2nd | | Sun., 10-10:30 | |
| 8 8 | | | Sun., 7-7:30 . | |
| San Francisco | .1st | | Thur., 9-9:30 | |
| The second second second | 2nd . | | Wed., 9-9:30 | |
| Grand Rapids, Kalamazoo | 1st | WOOD | Thur., 9-9:30 | |
| West-West-west | 2nd | WKZBO | Tue., 9-9:30 . | |
| Seattle-Tacoma | .1st | | | 333256555566565655555555555555555555555 |
| (a) (b) | | | Thur., 8-8:30 | |
| 9 2 3 8 8 8 | 2nd . | | Fri., 9:30-10 . | |
| Toledo | .1st | WSPD | Thur., 9-9:30 | |
| | 2nd | WSPD | Thur., 8-8:30 | |
| | | | | |

NETWORK PROGRAMS THE NEW

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perhaps, it may be expanded to hour-long form. In addition to name guest entertainers, Shriner each week will rotate various standing features. In one, he will b. the narrator of a dramatic skit. Other features include musical interpretations by a harmonica band, led by Shriner, and the presentation of home movies. Alan Sherman is the producer.

BROKEN ARROW, ABC-TV,

Tuesday, 9-9:30 p.m., EST.

John Lupton plays the lead, the role of an Indian agent, in this series based on the book "Blood Brothers," by Elliott Arnold. It takes place in the 1870's, during a tense truce between the white men and the Apaches. Lupton, as the agent, has arranged the peace with the Indian chief, Cochise. But sundry evil characters continue to provoke the Indians and risk another outbreak of hostilities. The adult Western is being filmed for General Electric by TCF TV Productions.

GIANT STEP, CBS-TV,

Wednesday, 7:30-8 p.m., EST.

CBS-TV is banking on the theory that the same elements that make quiz shows popular with adults will appeal to kids, provided they are presented to youngsters in a manner designed especially for them. It's going to test this theory in its new "Giant Step," which will compete against "Disneyland." The new show, which will be aimed at an all-family audience of adults and kids, is being packaged by Entertainment Productions, creators of

hour next season because of time "\$64,000 Question." "\$64,000 availability problems. Next year, Challenge" and "The Big Surprise." "Step" will feature children in the role of contestants. The high value awards will not be cash but will be prizes that small fry can enjoy. The major awards will be designed to be of tangible value to a youngster's future, such as a college education.

HIRAM HOLIDAY, NBC-TV, Wednesday, 8-8:30 p.m., EST.

Adapted from the short stories by Paul Gallico, "Hiram Holiday' is a new halt-hour vidfilm series starring Wally Cox. The springboard of this situation comedy is his portrayal of a globe-girdling PLAYHOUSE 90, CBS-TV, journalist. Hiram's unique talent is his ability to accomplish effortlessly what would frighten a platoon of soldiers. Thus in the first show, he casually detonates a time bomb aboard a ship. Phil Rapp is producer.

TWENTY ONE, NBC-TV, Wednesday, 10:30-11 p.m., EST.

"Twenty One," a new quiz program, will give contestants a chance to win a virtually unlimited amount of money. The game will be played by two contestants who will compete for 21 points by answering questions from an assigned category. The categories will be the same for both contestants but will change after each set of questions-thus putting a premium on comprehensive rather than specialized knowledge. Jack Barry will emsee this Barry-Enright package.

WIRE SERVICE, ABC-TV, Thursday, 9-10 p.m., EST:

Most adventure series are half-

"\$64,000 hour shows, but ABC-TV is coming up with an innovation next . season in the form of this hour-long weekly adventure program. Tho many of its scenes will be shot on location, most will be produced by Desilu Productions in Hollywood. Don Sharpe and Warren Lewis are producers of the series, which will star three rotating actors-George Brent, Dane Clark and another star. Each of them plays the role of a wire service newspaperman. Often the star himself will play the leading role in the drama, but sometimes he will merely act as narrator of one of his buddy's adventures.

Thursday, 9:30-11 p.m., EST.

This is considered in many quarters to be the most important new program of the new season. The first weekly 90-minute dramatic show ever to be scheduled by a network, "Playhouse 90" will be closely watched by the entire industry and, if successful, may well set a new trend in programming. Format calls for CBS to telecast live shows from Hollywood three weeks out of four. The fourth week's show will be on film produced by Screen Gems. Carey Wilson is executive producer, Martin Manulis is producer and Vincent Donehue is directory of the live telecasts.

TENNESSEE ERNIE, NBC-TV,

Thursday, 9:30-10 p.m., EST.

After making good on daytime TV last season, Tennessee Ernie Ford gets his nighttime chance next fall. The program will be primarily variety, with some concentration on sketch writing to allow Ernie's talent for comedy free play. Chances are he will be using Jack Fascinato from his daytime show as musical director of the nighttime half hour. Cal Kuhl will produce.

N. Y.

JIM BOWIE, ABC-TV, Friday, 8-8:30 p.m., EST.

Slanted at an adult audience, this is a Western laid in the country between New Orleans and Texas in the 1830's. Stories are based on a book "The Tempered Blade," by Monte Barrett. The central character of Bowie is played by Scott Forbes. The program will ring in many historical characters such as Sam Huston and Jean Lafitte, the pirate, and will make use of colorful New Orleans settings. No love interest is envisioned in the early episodes, tho one may be brought in later. Lou Edelman is the producer.

WEST POINT, CBS-TV,

Friday, 8-8:30 p.m., EST.

The U.S. Military Academy provides the frame of reference for the new dramatic anthology Ziv-TV is producing for Ger eral Foods. Each episode will involve training, sports, maneuvers, a personal problem or career problem in the life of a cadet, faculty member or employee of the Point. One completed film is about a cadet from the back woods who is embarrassed by the arrival of his notso-fancy parents for his graduation. While he is trying to keep the old folks out of the way, his classmates discover his plight, give him a roasting for playing the snob and convince him that mom and pop are really fine people.

ZANE GREY THEATER, CBS-TV, Friday, 8:30-9 p.m., EST.

Definitely aimed at the skirted viewers as well as the males, this anthology Western produced by Four Star Films will employ Dick Powell as host. In addition, it will feature fairly well-known play-(Continued on page 33)

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Network Ratings of The 1956 Reissues

A dozen network programs-past and present-have been earmarked for syndication in 1956 so far. In considering purchase of a film series thus reissued, the buyer has the advantage of hindsight. He can find out how the series did during its network run.

Herewith are samplings of network ratings drawn by most of the series going into reissue syndication in 1956.

FEDERAL MEN-MCA-TV

As "Treasury Men in Action" this series played NBC-TV, Thursday, 8:30-9 p.m., from April, 1951, thru March, 1954. It moved to ABC-TV, Thursday, 8:30-9 p.m., in October, 1954, running there until April, 1955. That summer, June thru September, 1955, it plaved ABC-TV, Friday, 8:30-9 p.m.

Some ratings (American Research Bureau):

| NEW YORK | PHILADELPHIA |
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| April-May, 1951 | April-May, 1951 |
| SeptOct., 1951 | SeptOct., 1951 |
| NovDec., 1951 | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |
| April-May, 195231.8 | JanFeb., 1953 |
| SeptOct., 1952 | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |
| JanFeb., 1953 | NovDec., 1953 |
| SeptOct., 1953 | March, 1954 |

THE AMERICAN LEGEND—Official Films

The 39 films in this series are out of "Cavalcade of America," which played for three years, first on NBC-TV, then on ABC-TV, Tuesday, 7:30-8 p.m., until it was replaced in the fall of 1955 by "Cavalcade Theater." Following are some American Research Bureau ratings it received in its last season. In the market covered it was the top show in the period thruout the season, during which its competition consisted of Dinah Shore, Jo Stafford, Douglas Edwards and John Cameron Swayze.

PHILADELPHIA

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| Contraction of the second | | June, 195510.3 |

BYLINE-STEVE WILSON-M. & A. Alexander Productions

Ran as "Big Town" this past season, on NBC-TV, Tuesday, 10:30-11 p.m.

Its ratings (American Research Bureau):

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ers in the lead roles, with Powell doing one or two, and others set for Ralph Bellamy, Jack Lemmon, et. al. The plan is to present offthe-beaten track shows taken from the hundreds of Zane Grey stories. There will usually be strong love interests. Producer is Hal Hudson.

WALTER WINCHELL, NBC-TV, Friday, 9-9:30 p.m., EST.

A fixture on radio and TV for many years, Walter Winchell will be seen next fall in a new rolethat of host of a variety show. The format is still being worked on to see what improvements Winchell can make to give it his own flavor. Concentration will be on names. There is also a possibility that Winchell may set aside a few minutes in the show for his gossipy news flashes.

TREASURE HUNT, ABC-TV,

Friday, 9-9:30 p.m., EST.

Jan Murray is the creator and ALDA as Major William emsee of this new quiz show, which Morgan, intelligence ofis replacing "Dollar a Second" for Mogen David wine. The new program will follow some of the lines cities of the world to asinitially established by "\$64,000 sure its authenticity. Question." It will carry contestants over from one week to the next to give them an opportunity to decide .whether or not to continue in the race for more valuable prizes. The final round will see a contestant 4 having to choose one of many boxes placed before him on the stage. Each box contains some sort of prize, ranging from a head of cabbage to \$25,000 in cash. If the contestant chooses well, he stands to gain a lot. If he doesn't-well, it's just too bad.

THE BUCCANEERS, CBS-TV, 20.4

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| Toledo 40.3 (4 station market) | Opposite "Loretta Young" (10.6) | FILMS, INC. |
| Evansville •43.2 (3 station market) | Opposite "Liber- ace" (26.8) | 1501 Broadway, New York, N: Y. |
| Muncie 36.8 (3 station market) | Opposite "Ethel Barrymore Thea- tre" (12.3) | LOngacre 3-6187 CONTACT YOUR NEAREST REPRESENTATIVE |
| Indianapolis 32.2 (3 station market) | Opposite "Decem- ber Bride" (22.7) | Ben Barry John Ettlinger Barry-Grafman Assoc, 6000 Sunset Blvd. |
| Terre Haute 32.1 (4 station market) | Opposite "I've Got a Secret" (27.1) | 203 N. Wabash Ave. Hollywood, Calif. Chicago, Ill. |
| Columbus 23.4 (3 station market) | Opposite "Eddia Cantor (18.4) | Mike Baden Adelphia Booking |

Robert Gabriel

NBC-TV

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| Dec., | 1955 | April, 195617.4 |
| | | May, 195617.9 |

MICKEY ROONEY SHOW—Screencraft Pictures

The series of 33 films ran under the same title on NBC-TV, Saturday, 8-8:30 p.m., from September, 1954, thru May, 1955, competing against the first half of the Jackie Gleason show. The Rooney show's average rating over that run was reported at 20.8.

STAR PERFORMANCE-Official Films

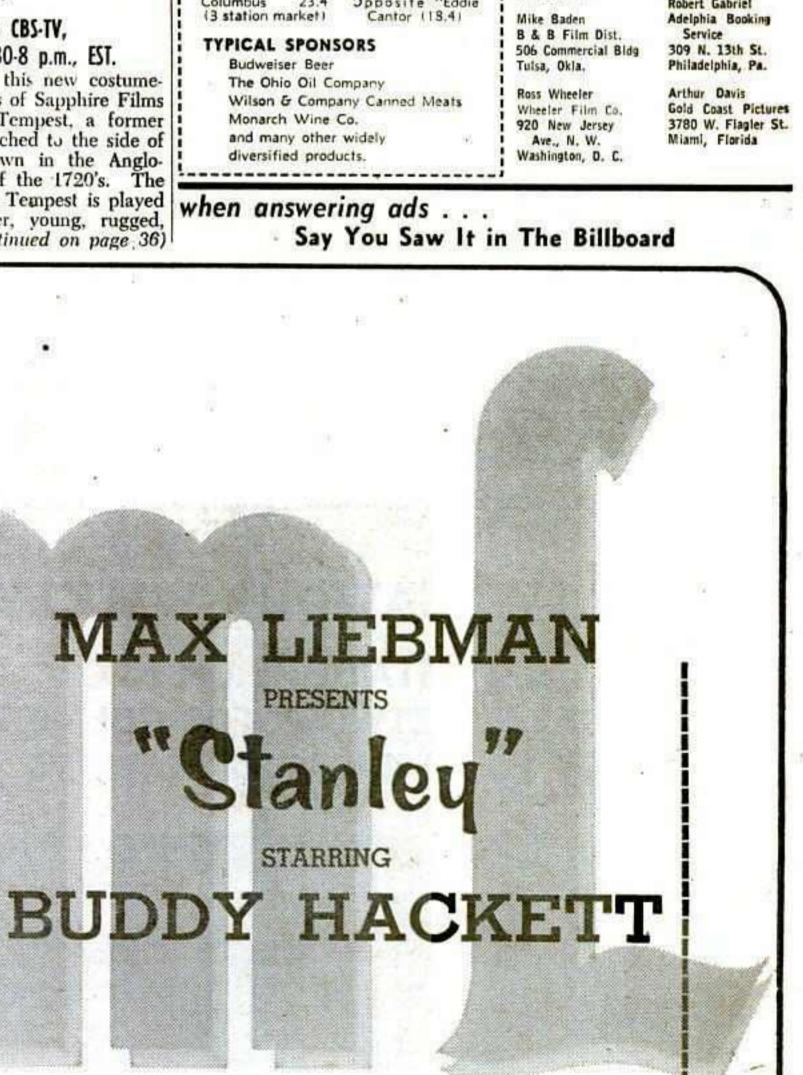
The bulk (129) of the 153 films in this package are reruns of "Four Star Playhouse," which ran for four years on CBS-TV, Thursday, 9:30-10 p.m.

Some recent "Four Star" ratings (American Research Bureau):

| CHICAGO |
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| Jan., 1956 |
| Feb., 1956 |
| CLEVELAND |
| Jan., 1956 |
| March, 1956 |
| DENVER |
| Jan., 1956 |
| March, 1956 |
| ST. LOUIS |
| Jan., 1956 |
| March, 1956 |
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Saturday, 7:30-8 p.m., EST. The hero of this new costumeadventure series of Sapphire Films is Capt. Dan Tempest, a former pirate who switched to the side of the British crown in the Anglo-Spanish wars of the 1720's. The role of Captain Tempest is played by a newcomer, young, rugged, (Continued on page 36)





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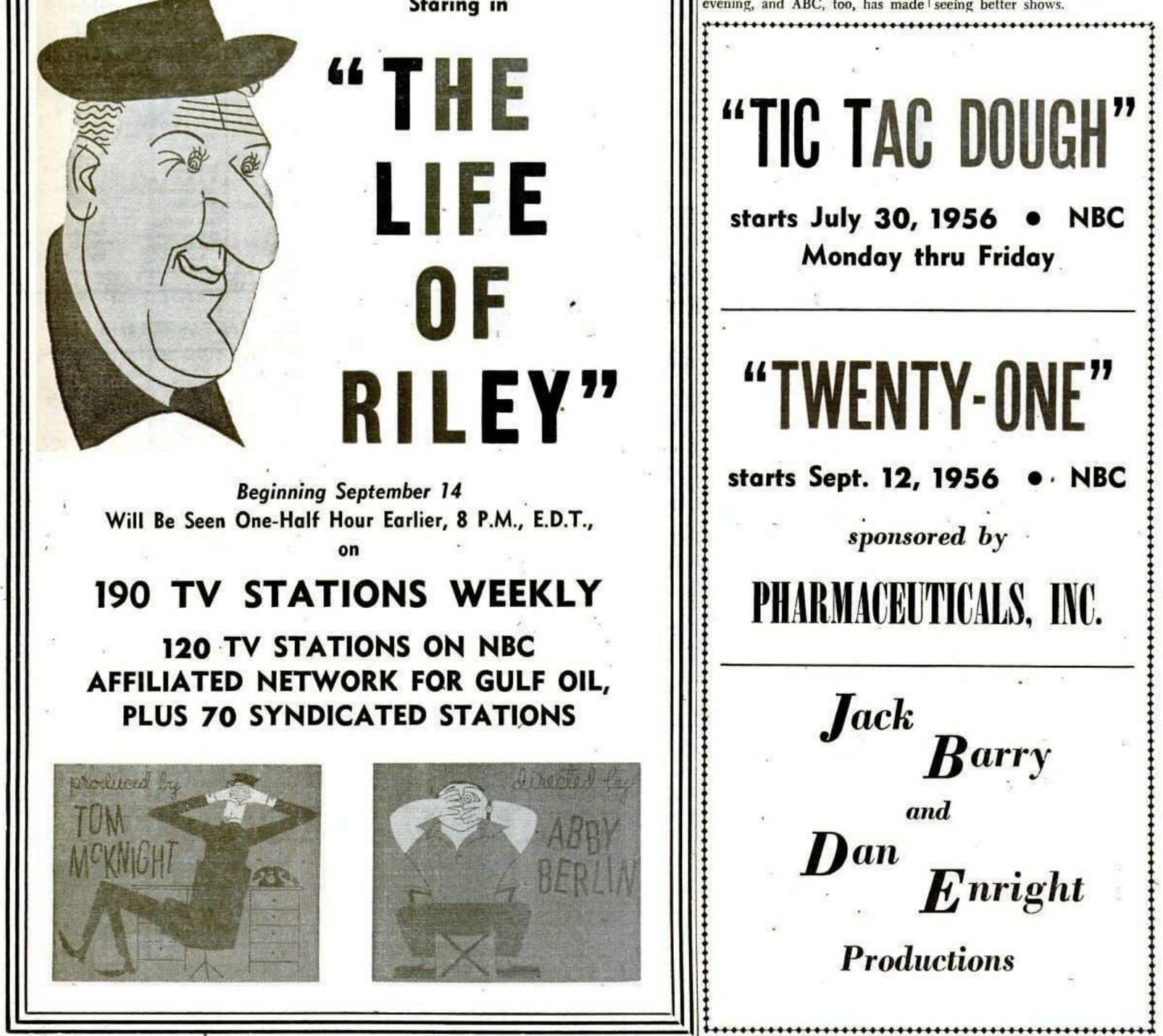
Viewers to Win Program Battle

with success. NBC should do better between 7 and 8 p.m., where it will present two new Screen Gems' shows, "The Adventures of the 77th Bengal Lancers" and "Circus Boy." Steve Allen figures to improve his rating against Ed Sullivan at 8-9, and Bob Hope, who goes once-monthly in the 9-10 slot, should present a greater threat to

ABC's new Sunday night offering is "Omnibus," 9-10:30 p.m. The hour-and-a-half stanza will probably increase sets-in-use, instead of taking viewers away from

"Amateur Hour," which has been moved up to 7:30-8:30, will be up not do as well as last season, tho

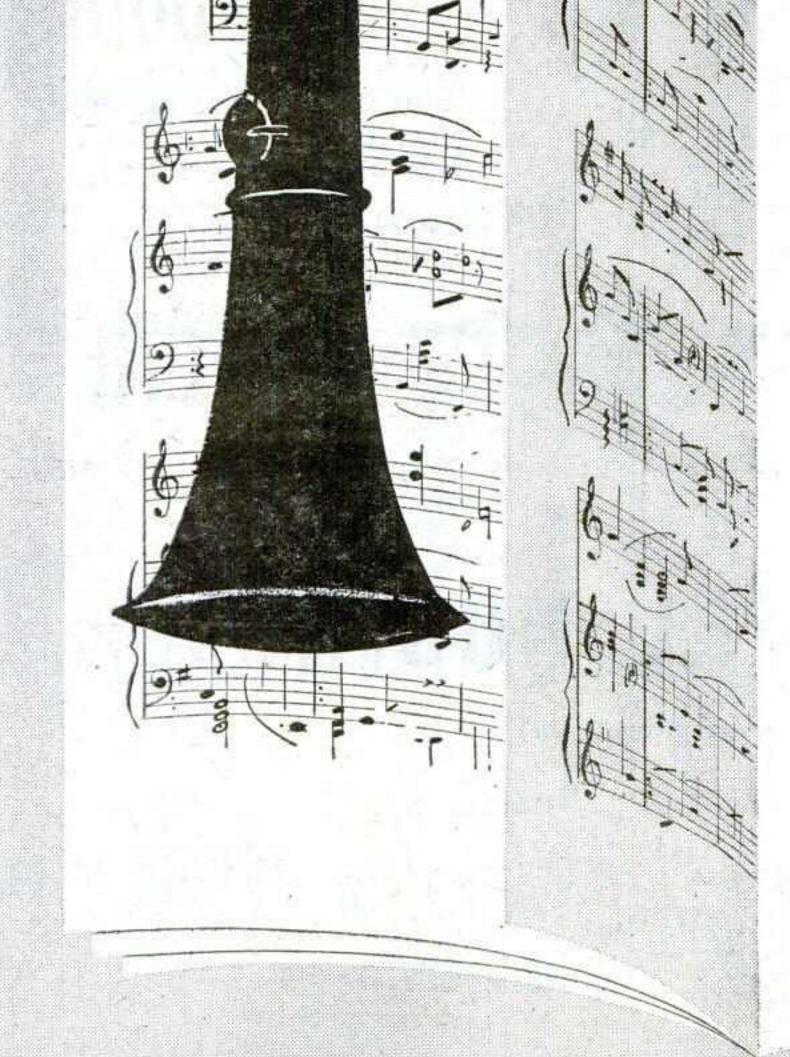
The big question marks for NBC





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swashbuckler Robert Shaw. The original stories will tell how Tempest fought to defend Nassau in the Bahamas against pirates and Spaniards. Sapphire is filming the series off the coast of Cornwall. Tempest's galleon, the Dilipa, is a renovation of the ship that played the Pequod in John Huston's "Moby Dick."

JACKIE GLEASON SHOW, CBS-TV, Saturday, 8-9 p.m., EST.

The "new" Jackie Gleasor show this coming season will be more than a little reminiscent of the Gleason show of the season before last. In fact, Gleason is reverting pretty much to the same format he utilized at that time. "The Honeymooners," of course, will be one of the features. Also returning will be the humorous sketches featuring the caricatures he made famous, Reggie Van Gleason III, the Poor CHAMPION-CBS TV Film Sales Soul and the Loudmouth. The June Taylor Dancers will also be back, as will Ray Bloch and his orchestra.

OH! SUSANNA, CBS-TV, Saturday, 9-9:30 p.m., EST

A comedy starring Gale Storm, this program will utilize Miss Storm's talents to combine dancing and singing with the yocks. Set aboard a luxury liner, the heroine plays the social directress, thus offering a wide scope of material. It's intended to have the ship put in at ports all over the world. Exteriors are being filmed on the S.S. Cleveland. Additional regular characters of the series are portrayed by ZaZu Pitts and Roy Roberts.

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BRAVE EAGLE-CBS TV Film Sales

Ran under the same title during the 1955-'56 season on CBS-TV, Wednesday, 7:30-8 p.m., where its chief competition was "Disneyland."

Its ratings (American Research Bureau):

| Oct | ., 1955 | Feb., 195611.8 |
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| Nov | ., 1955 | March, 195611.2 |
| Dec | ., 1955 8.0 | April, 195612.0 |
| Jan. | , 1956 | May, 1956 8.7 |

DAMON RUNYON THEATER—Screen Gems

Ran under the same title during the 1955-'56 season on CBS-TV, Saturday, 10:30-11 p.m., where its competition was "Your Hit Parade.'

Its ratings (American Research Bureau):

| Oct., | 1955 | 16.1 | Dec., | 195515. | 4 |
|-------|-------|------|-------|---------|----|
| Nov., | 1955 | 18.3 | Jan., | 1956 | 6 |
| | Feb., | 1956 | | 17.3 | 11 |

Ran under the same title from September, 1955, to March, 1956, on CBS-TV, Friday, 7:30-8 p.m.

| Its ratings (| American | Research | Bureau): | |
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| Oct., | 1955 | 9.2 | Dec., | 1955 | . 7.4 |
|-------|------------|-----|-------|------|-------|
| Nov., | 1955 | 7.6 | Jan., | 1956 | .11.9 |
| .38 | Feb., 1956 | | | 8.2 | 9 |

ALL STAR THEATER—Screen Gems

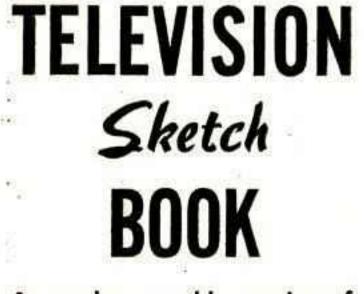
The fourth group of "Ford Theater" dramas to be reissued played network during the 1955-'56 season, on NBC-TV, Thursday, 9:30-10 p.m., drawing an average Nielsen for the season of 33.9. Some of its individual ratings (Nielsen TV Index):

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| Oct. 6, 1955 | March 1, 1956 |
| Nov. 10, 1955 | April 19, 1956 |
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HEADLINE-MCA-TV

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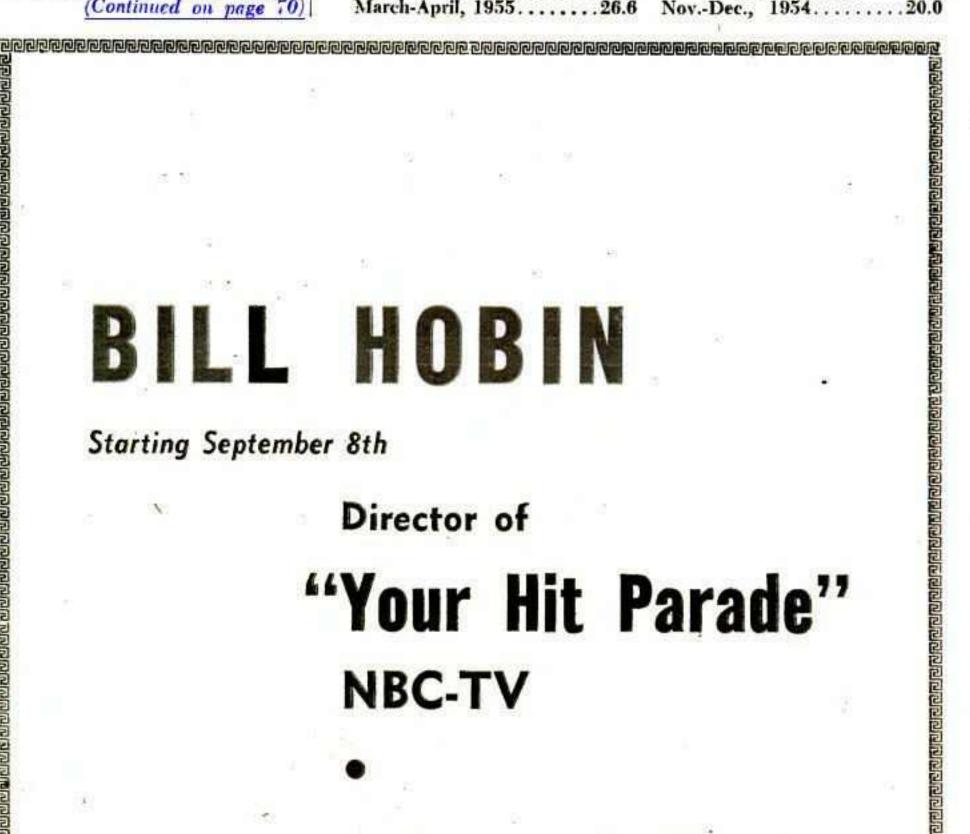
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HEY, JEANNIE! CBS-TV, Saturday, 9:30-10 p.m., EST.

Starring comedienne Jeannie Carson, this is a situation comedy dealing with the tribulation of an English gal just arrived in the United States. Because she's not acquainted with American customs, all sorts of imbroglios result. In order to make use of Miss Carson's (Continued on page 70)

Some of its ratings (American Research Bureau), almost all of them on delayed broadcasts:

| ATLANTA | CHICAGO | | | |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|--|--|--|
| NovDec., 1954 | JanFeb., 1955 | | | |
| March-April, 1955 | March-April, 195527.0 | | | |
| BOSTON NovDec., 1954 | CLEVELAND | | | |
| JanFeb., 1955 | NovDec., 1954 | | | |
| SEATTLE-TACOMA | March-April, 1955 | | | |
| NovDec., 1954 | | | | |
| JanFeb., 1955 | SAN FRANCISCO | | | |
| March-April, 1955 | NovDec., 1954 | | | |





NOSTALGIA AT PARAMOUNT: FRANK & TOMMY TEAM AGAIN

NEW YORK --- Swinging shades of yesterday will be swooning down the aisles of the Paramount Theater here Wednesday (15) when Frank Sinatra and Tommy Dorsey team up on-stage for the first time since 1942, the year "The Voice" left Dorsey and went out on his own.

Sinatra is playing a week at the Paramount to help kick off his new movie "Johnny Concho" on the screen. The film, his first Western, marks the debut of his new film company, Kent Productions, Inc. In addition to Sinatra and the Dorsey Brothers band, the bill will feature comedian Joey Bishop.

The date is of particular interest to the trade, which has been speculating on Sinatra's chances of duplicating his smash Paramount Theater date here some 14 years ago.

His current film and record popularity is all in his favor, but the final decision rests on whether or not the rock and roll generation is willing to shell out cash to see him in person. Recent appearances by Bob Hope and Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis at the Paramount (to plug their new movies) were somewhat disappointing box-office-wise.

Meanwhile, in honor of the nostalgic, on-stage reunion of Sinatra and Dorsey, deejay Bill Randle is making plans to do his entire WERE, Cleveland, Show (2-7 p.m.) from backstage at the Paramount Theater Wednesday. The local show will be aired from here, via a special remote broadcast set-up, at a cost to the station of around \$1,600.

NBC'S NEW PITCH **Pubbing Plans Set** Brill Bldg. Spinning record racks. The racks will stock LP's and 45's-but very few, if any, 78's. Racks are being installed invariately in A &P. stores here

sic publishing operation (The Bill- on Spec scores. board, August 11) will include a BMI as well as an ASCAP com- publishing field has caused some pany.

NEW YORK--NBC's new mu-1 have exclusive publishing rights

Meanwhile NBC's move into the consternation and changes around Both firms were originally set the Brill Building, since many pubup by Martin Stone's Kagran Cor- lishers have been active on the poration, and NBC actually ac- network scene. Spec producers, quired them when the web took Max Liebman, for instance, who over Kagran (now tagged California set up a firm with E. H. Morris a few months ago to publish scores Altho NBC plans to put scores on certain of his NBC Spec musifrom its future spectaculars and cals, is dropping out of the pub-The trade also is speculating on said the music companies under no what effect, if any, the move may of American music will be adcircumstances would print or sell have on certain artists who own vanced by repealing the cabaret sheet music. Instead, the web plans publishing firms of their own. Sev- tax." That was the opinion exto make some kind of deal with ma- eral of these have published scores pressed by Rep. Frank Thompson jor publishers for selling rights on introduced on NBC. Frank Sinatra's Jr. (D., N. J.), last week (9) when tunes which show any action or on Barton Music, for instance, pub- he proposed a cultural plank for lished the score from NBC's TV the Democratic platform. Once the NBC publishing out- musical version of "Our Town," fits get rolling, the web plans to which also starred the singer, while hire an exec to handle both firms. Kay Starr's Starstan Music is pub-However, there are no immediate lishing the tunes featured on her plans in this direction; nor are forthcoming NBC Spectacular with any details set on how the web's Louis Armstrong. Other NBC stars deals with outside publishers would active in the music publishing field are Perry Como, Sid Caesar, Steve

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A&P Superm'kts Go All-Out For Retail Disk Racks Move a Likely Sparkplug for Lesser Chains to Climb Platter Bandwagon

By JUNE BUNDY

NEW YORK--The Atlantic & Pacific grocery store chain, purportedly largest in the U.S., with thousands of retail outlets across the country, is putting record racks into all of its stores from Coast to Coast, thereby opening up a tremendous new market for platters and leading the way to full acceptance of disk racks by the powerful grocery chain industry.

The A.&P. chain has been conducting tests on disk racks in various cities, including Pittsburgh, Chicago and Columbus, O., over the past few months, and on the basis of these tests decided the operation could be a profitable one for its entire chain.

Rack jobbers currently servicing. A.&P. stores with drugs in each city will be handed the plum assignment of servicing the A.&P. record racks. The racks will stock LP's and 45's but very few, if any, 78's. Backs are being installed immediately in A.&P. stores here and in upstate New York, Boston and Pittsburgh, with outlets in

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suit as soon as possible.

record racks indicates that an earlier trade forecast that rack jobbing sales would hit an annual volume of \$12,000,000 (see The Billboard, April 26) in 1956 was far too conservative. In line with this, a record turnout of disks manufactured is expected at the National Supermarket Non-Food Exhibit, Inc.'s show at the Coliseum here September 10-13 to plug their products with the rack Shop chain in Boston. jobbers.

Earlier this summer, (see The Billboard, June 16) Grand Union

Decca Records

HOLLYWOOD --- Decca Records added further emphasis to its music publishing activities last week, with the acquisition of a 50 per cent interest in the Jimmy Wakely music firms, Riverside Mu-

Wakely Firms

other key cities scheduled to follow | and Penn Fruit-two large supermarket chains - pointed up the The A.&P.'s decision to put in growing importance of disks in the grocery field when both chains inaugurated bargain record promotions. Grand Union, which has 344 stores in the Northeast, opened up a push on 12-inch 99-cent LP's, labeled "The Paris International Music Appreciation Library," while Penn Fruit started promoting the RCA Victor Encyclopedia of Recorded Jazz, which was kicked off in April by the Stop and

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The growth of record racks in the supermarket field also spotlights a new outlet for disk plugs, via the use of FM as a background music medium in the stores. Storecast Corporation of America currently provides recorded music for more than 1,000 supermarkets from Chicago to New England. The Storecast system uses the facilities of the Rural Radio Network in central New York, as well as the FM outlet of WHOM, N. Y.; WMMW, Meriden, Conn.; WFMF in Chicago, and WIBG, Philadelphia.



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National Productions) last year.

film properties in both firms, C. N. lishing field on an active basis. P. exec Alan Livingston this week scores with obvious hit potential.

be set up.

NBC's BMI firm, formerly Allen and Dinah Shore. tagged Children's Songs, Inc., has been rechristened Lively Music, while its ASCAP firm, formerly named Kagran Films, Inc., is now titled Spectacular Music. Lively, heretofore strictly a kiddle tune outfit, has about 100 properties in its current catalog-mostly Howdy Doody songs. Henceforth, tho, NBC will put all types of material in the firm, including Spectacular scores. The NBC-ASCAP firm's title doesn't necessarily mean it will



songs.

a welcome surprise to British rec- band, also was pacted. f r both companies.

Epic Pacts New Talent in **Singles Field**

NEW YORK - Epic Records, currently accellerating its push in the pop singles field, signed a new group of artists last week. Heading the list are the veteran vocalists Eileen Barton and Ralph Young. Miss Barton had been with Coral for the past few years, and Young most recently was with Decca.

Marv Holtzman, artists and LONDON --- Following Mel repertoire director for the Colum-Torme smash success on radio and bia subsidiary label, also inked in concerts here, two British com- J. C. Hill, of Cleveland, described panies are bidding for the rights to as a rockabilly warbler-guitarist, Bethlehem is for LP's only came as who has just organized his own five scattered markets.

mediate offers to the singer for and albums with the newly organ- process, is a perforated heavy card Corporation.

K. O. Urged By Thompson

WASHINGTON --- "The cause

Representative Thompson, long-time champion of music and the arts, recommended that the Democratic party strive to have Congress pass bills designed to 'give official recognition to the importance of the arts and crafts and other cultural activities," and to reduce taxes which are "burdensome."

Proposals made by Representative Thompson would remove the fine arts, concerts, lectures and the living theater from admissions taxes and establish an American National Theater and Music Cenwould provide for an assistant secretary of state for international cultural relations and a federal advisory council on the arts.

sic (ASCAP) and Jimmy Wakely Songs (BMI).

Negotiations, which began approximately one year ago, were recently concluded between Wakely and Decca President Milton Rackmil.

Decca's own Northern Music represented by Bill Downer in New York and Larry Shane here, takes over active management of the two firms immediately. Downer and Shane will continue in the operation of Northern Music, adding responsibilities in the operation of the two new companies. Deal strengthens Decca's importance in the country and western field, with in excess of one hundred tunes previously owned by Wakely involved in the purchase.

Columbia, and by Wakely with Karen Chandler on Decca. Tune is in Wakely's BMI firm. It's exfurther expand its publishing op-In addition to the above mentioned companies, Decca also owns Champion Music (BMI), an inactive firm.

As \$2 Pistol **On Fall Air**

NEW YORK -- Fred Waring will be all over the place come this fall. In addition to his regular daily NBC radio show, the orchestra leader has made a deal to do a daily transcribed half-hour radio series for Ziv. At the same time, Waring's manager, Murray Luth, is winding up negotiations for the band leader to switch from Decca to Capitol.

In line with Waring's move to step up his activities in both radio and TV this fall, he is currently readying a six-week personal appearance tour, which will feature his entire company, including the 60-member glee club. Meanwhile, Pact includes the acquisition of Waring has been pacted by NBCthe current top c.&cw. song, "Crazy TV for a series of special video Arms," recorded by Ray Price on shows, following his recent 90minute stint for the web.

The Ziv series, in which Waring retains a part-ownership, will be pected that Decca may eventually sold to stations on a local and regional basis. Ziv's radio general ter in Washington. Other proposals eration via the acquistion of a manager, Ben Philley, has set an rhythm and blues publishing firm. all-out promotional campaign in motion to sell the strip show this month for fall release.

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NEW YORK--Columbia Transscriptions, the custom disk produc- nature at present, using just voice ing wing of Columbia Records has and sound effects. It's being aimed make for-Britain-only disks of his and Faith Winthrop, a jass thrush developed a new type of disk at pre-school and lower-grade from California. Jimmy Sedler, product, which will be launched tots. According to the transcrip-News that Torme's contract with the former Johnny Long vocalist, this week on a test basis in four or tion outfit, the product is to be

ord firms-two of which made im- Holtzman plans to record singles use of the company's aurivision supermarkets. single releases to be confined to ized Neal Hefti jazz quartet, which which breaks down into four one- lab since aurivision was introthis country only. Currently, Torme will feature Hefti's frau, Frances sided full-color picture records. duced last October in the premium is weighing offers from Philips and Wayne, on vocals. The new pack- experimental releases are designed field, has been designed for good Pye-Nixa, and is expected to make age, incidentally, will be booked strictly for children, and will prob- sound and durability. Its future his decision after trial recordings by Joe Glaser's Associated Booking ably be tried out at a 59-cent list may be determined after one price.

The material is of a non-musical tested in a variety of outlets, in-The development, which makes cluding chains, record stores and

The item, which has been in the month of testing.

MICKEY MANTLE TAKES A SWING ON THE DISKS

HOLLYWOOD --- Ever since ex-Brooklyn Dodger hurler Ralph Branca swooned a ballad or two on disks some years ago, the record business has been without a name major leaguer on wax.

The dry spell is over, with the New York Yankees' Mickey Mantle at bat in a duet with chirp Teresa Brewer on a Coral etching titled "I Love Mickey." Miss Brewer and Mantle were scheduled to share the spotlight on the Ed Sullivan teleshow (12), when the tune was to be introduced.

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Victor Breaks 'Best Buy' **Album Pitch for Fall**

Offers Two Samplers Discounts, Bread And Butter Rep in Fancy Dress Packages

NEW YORK --- RCA Victor | operas, and several more are multi- | able on six selected packages. pulled out several trump cards last disk groupings. week in the launching of its annual The sampler will retail for fered at a 25 per cent discount,

September Best Buy album pro- \$1.49 each. The classical sampler with dealers insured their full gram to its distributors. Dubbed will feature 13 highlights from the the "Showcase in Sound," the Best Buy packages, plus introducpitch leads off with two 12-inch tions of each selection by the artist Edition," the "Glenn Miller Army sampler disks on which dealers, for himself. The pop sampler will ofthe first time, will be allowed their fer 12 highlights from the individnormal profit margin.

will be extra discount, dating, 100 per cent exchange privilege on selected packages, and a group of six The LP samplers will cost the catalog items to be sold at 25 per dealer 92 cents. cent discount. Discounts, dating and exchanges are being left to the discretion of each individual distributor.

The body of the program is a group of 28 new LP packages, 14 of which are classical and 14 pop, plus 21 new big-name sets on the \$1.98 Camden label. Of the regular Victor sets, three are complete

AM-PAR Gives Distribs Extra 10% Discount

NEW YORK --- Am-Par is extending an extra 10 per cent discount on its entire LP catalog to August.

ual disks. The 45 EP edition of "The Popular Gershwin" Additional features of the push this will be a two-disk set, with disks), "Romeo and Juliet" (two eight selections. It will list for 98 disks) and Harry Geller's "New

> Each sampler will include a coupon worth up to \$20.44 on LP and up to \$15.46 on EP, redeem-

mark-up. They are: the fiverecord "Benny Goodman Limited Air Force Band"-another five-disk deal "Richard III" (three disks) (two cents, and cost the dealer 61 cents. York, New York." Time limit for purchasing these specials will be between September 1 and December 31.

These sets, in effect, will be of-

An eight-page full-color catalog listing the September Best Buys and also 130 classical and 301 pop best sellers will be included with each sampler, with all material packed in a heavy, transparent plastic sleeve.

Three Operas

Heading a list of high-powered "bread - and - butter" merchandise, are the three operas. The complete "Boheme" (two disks) is packages going on the market the new production conducted by Sir Thomas Beecham, and starring The new releases include two such names as Merrill, Bjoerling,

atic highlights, two jazz LP's, one senet's "Manon" (four disks) stars Monteux also is the conductor of (Continued on page 44)

ELVIS DEBUT GETS WEST END FLAVOR

LONDON-The reactions of our British cousins to Elvis Presley were filmed here last week by a CBS-TV film unit and rushed to New York for screening over the web's "Morning" show two days later.

The films were made in the new self-service record room, the Browsery, of the Gramophone Company, Ltd., where a group of English teen-agers were assembled for a "test" listening session of Presley platters.

Meanwhile-"back in the States"-the Presley controversy continues unabated. One jockey, Bob Rickman, of WPGC, Washington, has formed a "Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Elvis Presley," while another, Norman Prescott, WBZ, Boston, is offering six authentic strands plucked from the rock and roll warbler's sideburns as grand prize in a letter-writing contest.

FORE! Pluggers Frolic on

The Greens

NEW YORK--The annual outleasing one of its \$4.98 LP Pro- "Traviata" (three disks), which ing of the Music Publishers Condistributors during July and fessional Engineering Series, which stars Warren, Carteri and Valletti tact Employees' Union held Thurswill be marketed at the rate of with the Rome Opera Company. day (9), was proclaimed a roaring version of "Gertrude Stein Readsuccess. Approximately 90 song- ing." Masters by the late authoress sunny day of golf, swimming, schmoosing, loafing and eating. Only at the Peatman office was of John Donne" by the film actor, business conducted as usual. In the golf tourney, Tommy ("Mr. Wonderful") Valando carried off first prize with a low net of 67. He hit an 80 with a 13 handicap. Kelly Camarata earded the low gross with a 78. In the net scoring, he came in third after Mack Goldman. Mike Sukin was fourth. In the special contests, nearest-to-pin was won by Joe Linhart, with George Furness second. Driving contest was won by Kelly Camarata, and putting by Julie Stearns. Among the guests, low net was carded by Arthur Gutterman, and low gross by Mario del Guercio, with Dr. Massucco fourth. In the specials, Mario del Guercio won nearest-to-pin. Putting contest resulted in a tie between Nat Brand-Ray Charles Singers in "Winter Music Distributors, replaces How- wynne and Art Gutterman. Lou D Guercio won the driving contest.

AUTUMN WORDS Caedmon to Launch Big Prose P'kge

NEW YORK--Caedmon Records, specialist in spoken word disks, has prepared several highpowered specials to kick off the fall season. Several top dramatic stars are involved.

Before the end of this month, the company will release a combination package, entitled "The Cambridge Treasury of English Prose," a set of five records and book retailing for about \$31.50. The first record will be made available separately with the book for about \$7.95. The book itself is being issued this season by the bridge University Press, and the disk deal was set up thru the British Consulate here. The readings, "from Mallory to Samuel Butler," were taped by a group of dons (professors) at Cambridge.

In October the company will issue two sets in its projected Bible series: "Old Testament Psalms and the Tale of David" by Judith Anderson, and "The Book of Judith and Book of Ruth" read by Miss Anderson and Claire Bloom,

The popularity of actor Vincent Price, hypoed by his recent appearances on the "\$64,000 Challenge" TV show, has keved a September release for his readings of "Poetry of Shelley." Also coming in September will be a remastered pluggers and guests made the trip were purchased from Dorian Recup to the Harrison (N. Y.) Country ords. The same release will in-Club, and enjoyed a beautiful, clude portions of James Joyce's "Ullyses" by Siobhan McKenna and E. G. Marshall, and "Sermons Herbert Marshall. Caedmon inked several new distributors last week. New Sound has the line in Portland, Wash., and Hartstone's Stone Distributing in San Francisco. In Grandhaven, Mich., Midwest Recordings has taken the line exclusively for sales to religious supply stores.



is readying 50 new LP's for release this fall and winter, with 10 September 10.

ballet music packages, two oper- Tozzi and de Los Angeles. Masmood music set, a Strauss album Victoria de Los Angeles, and is and an LP recital by pianist Karl conducted by Pierre Monteux. Schnable. The label is also re-

the regular distributor discount, is applicable on all ABC-Paramount LP's purchased during the twomonth period, including those slated for release before September 1.

Meanwhile, Am-Par prexy Sam Clark reports two new distributor changes. The line has been switched from Mangold to Arnold Distributing Corporation in Charlotte, N. C., and from Universal to David Rosen in Philadelphia. Rosen handled Mercury until that label set up its own distributing branch in the city of brotherly effect now thru October 15. love this month.

Capitol Snags 'Giant' Rights

HOLLYWOOD --- Capitol Records closed its fifth motion picture soundtrack album deal of the year last week, completing negotiations for the rights to the Warner Bros, film, "Giant." Unusual aspect involved is that the agreement was reached without Capitol having heard the score, which is yet to be completed by Dimitri Tiomkin.

Album agreement also calls for the release of a number of pop singles, penned by Tiomkin and Paul Francis Webster, with these reportedly set for recording by Les Baxter.

Previous movie soundtrack packages this season were "Oklahoma, "Carousel," "King & I" and "High Society."

Rogers Gets Assistant Director Post at Dot

HOLLYWOOD -- Milton Rogers, veteran arranger and vocal coach on the West Coast, has been named to the post of assistant musical director at Dot Records. Long bond King" with Kathryn Grayson) identified with singer Gale Storm by Orestes and Ceorgia Shaw. and a number of other prominent iately.

The 10 per cent, in addition to one LP each month from now on.

M-G-M Sticks to 'Baker's Dozen' Pitch for Fall Sales

.NEW YORK--M-G-M Records | Low," with the George Shearing has launched its fall selling pro- Quintet; a set of Hank Williams gram, based on its previously suc- slicings titled "Moanin' the Blues"; cessful "Baker's Dozen" strategy. |"Madrid After Dark," with Fred-The plan involves a free LP or EP erick Lamore and ork; Leroy set for dealers and distributors for Holmes and his ork in a collecevery dozen disks of the new mer- tion of mood material, and more chandise ordered. Deal will be in mood sounds by Roger Roger and

carry full color covers, include Shearing set have complete ver-"Gommbay Carnival," a Calypso sions available in EP form. set, disked in Nassau; a David In line with the campaign Rose album of motion picture mu- M-G-M has moved to strengthen sic; a Dick Hyman trio package; its distribution. In Pittsburgh, "Concerto for Lovers," featuring Forbes Record Distributors has relight classical mood music; tunes placed the Sanborn Music Comby Robert Maxwell with his harp pany, while in Dallas, Daily Brothand ork; a package with Sam ers replace Dobbs Distributors. In "The Man" Taylor and strings; the Chicago, Irving Kirschbaum, of Wonderland"; "When Lights Are ard Budlow as sales manager.

his ork in a package titled "Be-The new entries, all of which youd the Set." All packages but the

Webman Joins **Decca Staff**

NEW YORK --- Hal Webman, one-time Billboard music staffer, has joined the New York artists and repertoire staff of Decca Records under the diskery's a.&r. chief, Milt Gabler.

A one-time editor of Downbeat, Webman had been active recently in a music pubbery with Benny Goodman and later had his own firm, Margarita Music. He has also been in the talent management field and formerly handled Neal Hefti and Broc Peters. Webman joins Paul Cohen, Leonard Joy, Jack Pleis and Is Horowitz on the diskery's New York a.&r. team.

Ager & Meyer Off SPA Council

NEW YORK--Milton Ager and George Meyer have resigned from the Council of the Songwriters A big push on DeSylva, Brown Protective Association. Ager has lived on the West Coast for the past year, while Meyer is moving there to make his permanent home in two weeks. The two have been

Disk-Film Tie-Ups Promote Mutual, Hefty, Dog-Day Hypo

NEW YORK - Promotion of leste Holm duet on "Who Wants to | films are due to be revived this films via records and vice versa is be a Millionaire," Crosby and Grace better than ever this summer, with Kelly team on "True Love." Sia flock of film themes-vocals, in- natra solos on "Mind If I Make strumentals, revivals and new tunes Love to You," and Crosby and -dominating the current singles release schedules of the major labels.

Among the film themes released on wax last week (with more covers following) are "The Bus Stop Song" (from Marilyn Monroe's new | been covered by Nick Nobel, Sampicture) sliced by the Four Lads; "War and Peace" by Vic Damone; "This Same Heart" (from the forthcoming new version of "The Vaga-

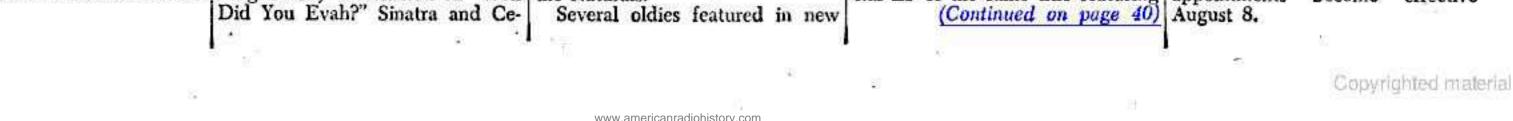
Capitol splurged by releasing vocalists, Rogers will report to three new singles from its "High music director Billy Vaughan, with Society" LP - Frank Sinatra and include sides by Kay Brown and Free." Capitol is readying a spe- Lane and Pinky Herman, whose his appointment effective immed- Bing Crosby are teamed on "Well the Naturals. Did You Evah?" Sinatra and Ce-

Louis Armstrong are featured on "High Society Calypso" and "Now You Has Jazz." Sinatra also has another single out from the film-"You're Sensational," which has also my Davis Jr. and the Kings IV.

The new Dean Martin-Jerry Lewis movie "Pardners" is well covered by Alan Dale, who has waxed the theme tune (with Buddy Hackett) and "Me 'n' You 'n' the Moon," also from the picture. Other versions of the latter ballad

month. Joan Crawford's new film "Autumn Leaves" has sparked a revival of the title tune by Nat (King) Cole (who sings it in the picture) and an instrumental by Wild Bill Davis, with others to follow. "The King and I" has inspired a similar dusting off of catalog sides, with Rosemary Clooney and Margaret Whiting among those presently available on wax with tunes from the film.

and Henderson oldies will start this month, in conjunction with the release of 20th Century-Fox's new bio film on the three songwriters, "The Best Things in Life Are replaced on the Council by Burton cial LP of the same title featuring appointments become effective



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Irving Mills Eyes Debut in Classic Field

HOLLYWOOD --- Irving Mills, veteran music figure and president of the music publishing firm that bears his name, has run the gamut in music from jazz to the classics.

His debut in the latter field, a personal project and not associated with Mills Music, is to be made shortly via the formation of California Pictures, Inc., for the distribution of a lengthly series of films made by the nation's top longhair artists.

Film series will at the outset be limited for showing in music halls, hospitals, churchs, schools, prisons and civic and fraternal clubhouses. Plan is to line up a series of booking dates for the film concerts, with the first dates tentatively set including the Academy of Music, Brooklyn, and the Greek Theater, Los Angeles. Talent featured in the films include LeRoy Anderson, Jascha Heifetz, Artur Rubenstein, Gregor Piatagorsky, Joe Iturbi, Andre Segovia, Jan Peerce, the Coolidge String Quartet, Nadine Conner, Rafael Mendez, the Hollywood String Quartet, and the New York Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Mitropolous.

Films were acquired by Mills from independent producers here and abroad, with Mills owning foreign rights and television rights in some cases. First showings are expected to be set this September under the title, "Irving Mills Pre- these weeks signing its recording sents."

Hi-Fi Starts Fall Campaign



Records distributors were thrown into a mild panic this week, when dealers started to call in orders for the Platters "new release."

As far as the distributors knew, chere wasn't any new Platters' platter. The mystery was finally solved when it was learned that Southern Music had sent out duds of the Platters' waxing of "I'm Sorry" (from their current LP) to jockeys, and that the deejays were introducing the disk on the air as "a new Platters' release."

If Mercury is forced to bring out another side from the Platters' new album, the group may not have to record any new material until 1957. Both sides of their present single hit are from the album and Mercurv has 16 unreleased new sides by the Platters still in the can.

Mills Pacts Three Deals With Decca

NEW YORK --- Mills Music, now that it has pulled out of the commercial disk business, is busy artists with active major labels. ton. Three term deals were set last week with Decca.

Thrush Kaycee Jones and the Sunnysiders, both of whom had recorded for Mills' American Re- Keeps 'Bells' cording Artists' Diskery, were signed to three-year deals with Decca, and 10 sides by each act Album Rights Decca, and 10 sides by each act were turned over to the major. Four sides by the Sunnysiders, including their hit, "Mr. Banjo," had boom on LP's has stepped up packbeen sold previously to Kapp Records. In Hollywood, Decca inked trumpet star Rafael Mendez via Mills, and again acquired a series of sides cut by the publishing lease of organ recordings and which house. The deal also calls for Mills to record additional material million in volume in its first year in by Mendez for subsequent distribution by Decca. Both singles and albums are on the agenda.

Canada Firm **Distribs Many** Indie Labels

TORONTO --- Phonodise, Ltd., Canadian record firm organized by Don McKim in April of this year, has expanded rapidly and has concluded lease agreements with many American indie labels. These include Kapp, Modern, RPM, Melba, Federal and others.

President McKim attributes July's upsurge in business to fast-selling Kapp albums, plus such singles as the Cadets' "Stranded in the Jungle" on Modern, Little Richard's "Rip It Up" on Specialty, the Magnificents' "Up on the Mountain" on Vee-Jay-all of which appear under Phonodisc's Regency label in Canada.

Operating as headquarters for indie American labels, Phonodisc controls its own sale: organization in Eastern Canada and operates with an "inventory on wheels." Salesmen carry stock in their cars so they can both sell and deliver on the spot. McKim states this method has resulted in at least a 30 per cent increase in individual orders because a good part of the dealer's reluctance to order in quantity is his uncertainty about the time lapse between date of order and delivery. "This," says McKim, "fits the pattern of the record business here." Firm operates out of its offices in Toronto, Montreal and Winnipeg, with distribution in the Far West effected by Van Dusen Brothers, Edmon-



MOTHBALL BONANZAS

Vault Wax Melts To Reissue Gold

By REN GREVATT

NEW YORK-Long dead and dusty wax, once considered permanent vault material by diskeries, Vee-Jay, Specialty, Josie, De Luxe, has proved it can rise up and turn

to gold. That a hit single or album can spark profitable reissues by an artist's former labels is being demonstrated time and again in the gal hit big on the Fraternity the current disk market.

Top current example is the emergence on The Billboard's Best Selling Pop Singles chart of Eddie Hunter disking of his own tune, Heywood on two different labels, with a subsequent release of a Heywood disking on yet another Boone. label.

Heywood's "Soft Summer Breeze" chart entry on the Mercury label was cut just prior to his cent single hit, "April in Paris," and pacting by RCA Victor. On the latter label, he has his second hit, "Canadian Sunset," with Hugo the fall will see re-issues of Basie Winterhalter. Decca has brought out "The Continental" by Heywood, from its catalog, while Coral has set an album of material formerly cut by the piano man for the Signature label.

Ever since the kickoff of Lawrence Welk's ABC-TV show, the maestro's Coral albums invariably have been profitable packages. Recently Epic and Decca both issued Welk albums, and Decca has set another issue of vaulted Welk material as part of its fall release.

Prior to his revival via the pic, "From Here to Eternity," Frank Sinatra cut many sides for Columbia with relatively moderate results. Sinatra's name now is magic in the disk business, particularly at the package level, and Columbia Philharmonic" transcribed show, has re-issued old slicings by the believed to be the first all-jazz e.t. singer and is pushing them hard seg offered, will be released to stato compete with his current Capi- tion subscribers next month by tol entries. (Sinatra can also be RCA thesaurus. heard on his earliest days via a current two-LP RCA Victor package of old Tommy Dorsey Aircheck material.) Al Hibbler, with a current Decca hit single and album, is represented with albums of older fare on Verve, Atlantic and Aladdin labels. Ella Fitzgerald, always a healthy seller, has been on the market with old but solid slicings from Decca as well as the hit Cole Porter package on Verve. Coral Records also turns to its vaults for its fall LP program. The

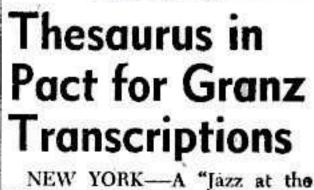
label has set an Ames Brothers package which will compete with a new LP on RCA Victor and ride the tide of Ames single clicks on the latter label.

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In the singles field, Coral recently brought out of the mothballs a Cathy Carr recording, when label with "Ivory Tower." M-G-M Records followed the same pattern with an eight-year-old Ivory loc "I Almost Lost My Mind," now a hit on the Dot label with Pat

Count Basie is another artist who has continually sold well on a variety of labels. His most rea string of successful album sellers have been on the Clef label, but originals by RCA Victor and Coral. Epic has also put a heavy push behind its four packages of Basie re-issues.

Tony Martin, with a recent bestseller, "Walk Hand in Hand," on the Victor label, has sparked a package of old material this fall from Decca. Mercury also has Martin packages on the market to (Continued on page 98)



HOLLYWOOD--High Fidelity Records, Inc., kicks off its fall merchandising program this week with the release of six new 12-inch LP's for August and September, in accordance with the company's plan to double its catalog by the end of the year.

The Coast indie, which until now has specialized somewhat in the reclaims to have done in excess of \$1 business, will augment its repertoire, adding vocal and other instrumental recordings. Two albums by English vocalist Dorothy Carless will be released this month. Four albums titled "Swingin' Harpsichord" by Bruce Prince-Joseph; "A Bruce Prince-Joseph Organ Recital at Columbia University"; "George Wright Plays the Electronic Organ," and a Stan Selzer album of piano music will be issued during September.

Richard Vaughn, president of the label, averred that he will continue to record unique and off-beat material while enlarging the scope of repertoire. Line is also made available on monoral, binaural and stereophonic tape.

MIT Show Pull Best Since '49

CHICAGO --- The 1956 Music Industry Trade Show, held last month in New York, pulled 8,911 persons, top attendance since 1949. Of these, 4,850 were listed 1955.

William R. Gard, executive secretary of the National Association of Music Merchants, which sponsors the annual convention, said that the 1957 show has al-House here, July 15 thru 18.

in New York only once in four rather than July.

Kavan Gets New Col. Post

NEW YORK--Stan Kavin, Columbia Records' national sales manager for albums, this week will assume additional executive duties following his appointment as coordinator, popular albums artists and repertoire. The position has been newly created by Columbia president, Goddard Lieberson.

In the new capacity, Kavan will report directly to Lieberson and will act as the link between album a.&r. and the market, keeping the creative end informed re acceptance of the diskery's various properties and packages. He will continue in his sales post as well, reporting to Hal Cook, vice-president in charge of sales.

With the New York office staff currently in the throes of an expansion' program, Columbia has named John Lothrop manager of as buyers, 1,132 more than in office services, and Alberta Keilbach as supervisor of filing and stenographic services.

years, but Card indicated that an exhibitor poll will soon be taken on the possibility of making the ready been set for the Palmer Manhattan outing once in three years and moving the proposed Traditionally, the show is held 1959 New York show to June

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age merchandising to the point that album rights now involve potential big-money returns.

Meanwhile, the trade is waiting to see what-if any-action will be taken by backers of "The Bells Are Ringing." Altho the show was originally financed under the oldstyle contracts (with album rights included) backers have now been informed that they must either sign a new contract (sans album rights) or take their money back.

Earlier this month, Miss Comden, Green and Styne set up their own American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers publishing firm, Stratford Music, with "The Bells Are Ringing" score set as their first publishing venture. Buddy Robbins is professional manager of the new Stratford firm.

'EARTH ANGEL' FLIES AGAIN

NEW YORK --- The surprise success of the controversial "Flying Saucer" platter has revived sales interest in at least one of the old rock and roll disk hits featured on the record.

Local Alpha distributors, for instance, report that the Penguins' Dootone waxing of "Earth Angel" (a best-seller more than a year ago) has suddenly picked up in sales, and the firm is currently backordered on the disk. Sales on some of the other "Flying Saucer" tunes (Little Richard's "Long, Tall Sally") reportedly have also spurted ahead since the disk hit the market.

All in all, it looks as tho the trade's facetious description of the record as "the latest pop sampler" may have some basis in fact.

Modern Pacts King Again

HOLLYWOOD-Indie Modern Records renewed its contract with veteran rhythm and blues singer B. B. King here last week, signing King to a new three-year pact. Firm will release a series of King albums, in addition to the normal complement of singles.

Modern was named defendant in an action by singer Richard Berry, also under contract, in Los Angeles Superior Court here last week. Berry asks for an accounting of royalties allegedly due him.

RCA Repacts Joe Carlton

NEW YORK --- Joe Carlton, head of popular artists and repertoire for RCA Victor, last week signed a new two-year contract with the diskery.

Carlton, one-time music editor of The Billboard, has clicked with 14 gold records in his six years as an a.&r. man, first with Mercury, and during the past four years Betty Miller and Julia Lee, the with Victor.

Thesaurus exec, Ben Selvin, recently signed a deal with JATP impresario Norman Branz, whereby the transcription outfit gains access to many of the recordings cut by Granz for his Clef, Norgran, Verve and Down Home labels. These include platters by such as Count Basie, Ella Fitzgerald, Stan Cetz, Oscar Peterson, Art Tatum, Roy Eldridge, Cene Krupa and many others.

Granz himself was in town last week to tape voice tracks which will be packaged on three separate platters and shipped to stations along with seven 12-inch LP musio disks. These have been cut in a manner that will enable local disk jockeys to conduct a realistic interview with Granz, with the aid of a timed script. His commentary is informative and often candid and provocative.

The talk is also available in patterns that will enable a station to run a complete jazz show with Granz serving as emsee.

Davis & Sandusky Team on New Diskery

KANSAS CITY, Mo .--- Blevins Davis and John Sandusky have joined forces here to form Foremost Records. Affiliated with the diskery will be Sandusky Publishing Company (Broadcast Music, Inc.) and Jennings Publishing Company (American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers.)

Initia, releases will include disks by Monty Matthews' Foggy River Boys, stars of ABC-TV's "Ozark Jubilee." Talent line-up includes Jon and Sondra Steel, organist Eddie Dunstedter, jazz pianist jazz thrush.



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Haber Heads N. Y. Mercer Office . . .

Johnny Mercer's publishing firm, Commander Publications, is opening a New York office this week. Bert Haber, formerly with Hill & Range is in charge, reporting to General Manager Marshall Robbins on the Coast. Firm's upcoming push is on the Mercer-Gene de Paul legit score for "Li'l Abner," due on Broadway in November. Principals cast so far are Edith Adams and Stubby Kaye.

'Fashions in Rhythm' Score to B. F. Wood . . .

Score of 14 songs for "Fashions in Rhythm," a revue staged at the Versailles here, has been picked up by B. F. Wood Music, a subsidiary Publisher Nat Tannen sold two of Mills Music. Music is by Jane Douglass White, with lyrics by Syd Shaw. Count Basie ork with vocalist Joe Williams is set to cut one Hardrock Gunter. of the tunes, "Do It Yourself," at] the crew's next disking session.

New York

of the Woody Herman band, was married Sunday (29) to Cindy Richmond, former Copa girl. The couple left on a two-month honeymoon. . . . Phineas Newborn Jr., young jazz piano find who reportedly is signing with RCA Victor, has been booked into the Cafe Bohemia for two weeks starting August 17 and for another two weeks starting October 5. . . Walter Hyde, agent formerly with William Morris, Shaw Artists and the Gale Agency, and most recently with Universal Attractions, has left last week from an European visit, next week, with plans for two more the business to become a partner in ... Al Brackman, of the Cromwell already in the making. ... Norgran

Maurer have formed Russell Repre- | Ben Selvin, of RCA Camden disks, sentatives, Inc., a talent management firm.

A new member has been added to the Kapp family. Dave Kapp, chief of the label bearing his name, told us last week that his son, Michael and Michael's wife, Elizabeth, are the proud parent of a girl, Laurie Louise. She is Dave Kapp's second grandchild.

Thrush Della Reese, whose first LP came out on Jubilee last week, appears on the CBS-TV "Stage Show" August 18, then opens at El Moroccc, Montreal, August 20 Mode and Scope Music firms, left for a "Bandstand, U.S.A." spot. last weekend for a three-week trip to the Coast, where he will promote his several disk releases. . . masters to Sam Phillips of Sun Records last week. Top side is "Juke Box, Help Me Find My Baby," by

Victor thrush Martha Carson wife of Xavier Cosse, gave birth to a son recently, Infant's name is Rene Paul Cosse. . . . McConkey Abe Turchin, long-time manager Artists, out to fight the lull in the cocktail music field, has hired Dick Gersh in a public relations capacity. Outfit recently went into the jazz field also. . . . Red Matthews has joined Holiday Records, of Memphis, Tenn., as head of artists and repertoire and also distribution. Previously he was with Ekko Records. . . . Bethe Douglas, American thrush who recently created some excitement in England, cut a session for Fraternity Records last week, then hopped a plane for a club booking in Madrid, Spain.

Publisher Ben Bloom returned the 211 Cafe, next door to Basin and Hollis firms, is back from a and Down Home Records added combined business and vacation Malverne Dist. in New York and trip across the country. . . . Her- All State Distributors in Newark, man Lubinsky, Savoy-Regent disk N. J., last week. . . . Greig Mctopper, has fallen into a bonanza Ritchie will do a jazz album for with his \$2.98 Regent LP line. Zephyr Records titled "Easy Jazz With half his staff on vacation on a Fish Beat Bass," with only last week, the Newark mahoff had brass and rhythm sections used. . . . his hands full filling orders. . . . Zephyr firm has already inked sing-Lou Stallman, writer of "Treasure ers Laurie Loman and Paul Frees. of Love," has signed with Colum- ... Singer Julie London set to warbia Records as a warbler. He's ble two songs in the United Artists managed by Danny Kessler. . . . | production "Drango." . . . Ray

has cut "Top Hits" disks with Connie Haines and also with pianist Bill Snyder. Both will be out later this month on 79-cent EP's.

The Crew Cuts opened Thursday (9) at the new Fazio's Supper Club in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. . . Count Basie and warbler Joe Williams are at the Dunes, Las Vegas, following Jerry Gray's ork. . . Charlie Janoff, Frank Music staffer, became father of a son last Sunday (29), his second child. . . . Club Bohemia, local jazz spot, is now being picked up by the for a week. . . . Bob Lissauer, of Mutual web every Saturday night

Hollywood

Bowery Records appointed three new distributors last week, naming Sunland Music in Los Angeles; St. Louis Music Company, St. Louis, and Lesco Distributors, Philadelphia.... Publisher Mickey Goldsen will handle the selling and foreign rights to "A Casual Look." . . . Singer Mimi Martel signed by CBS-TV to costar with Red Rowe in a new afternoon show. . . . June Sanantonio, formerly with Decca Records here, has joined Irwin Zucker as a publicity assistant. . . . Model Carole Conn, writer Ben Orkland and publisher Mike Gould toured the disk jockeys last week, plugging "Cool Tango." Miss Conn wore a bathing suit, while the gents donned Bermuda shorts for the stunt. . . . Pepper and Spooky, new disk duo on Coral, are actually Paula Kelly and Hal Dickinson of the Modernaires. . . . Harry Belafonte winds up recording his upcoming RCA album here

Heindorf takes over for Paul Baron as music director on "Toward the Unknown." . . . Columbia sales topper Hal Cook here last week for local dealer meetings. . . . Jimmy Wakely subs for Red Foley on the latter's ABC-TV "Ozark Jubilee" show, then goes on to New York where he will confer with Decca a.&r. chief Milt Gabler anent his new "Westerner" package. . . . Pat Boone returned to New York for an NBC network guest shot after recording 16 sides for Dot last week.

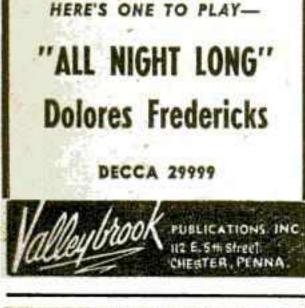
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Street.

The Penguins are re-recording their first big hit, "Earth Angel," for Mercury to cash in on the "Flying Saucer" craze. A segment of the group's original waxing of the song on the Dootone label is heard on the Luniverse disk. . . . Mercury's Japanese canary Myoshie Uneki has been signed to play the fem lead, a Geisha girl, opposite William Holden in the new "Sayonara" film being made in Japan. . . Mercury's rhythm and blues artist and repertoire chief Bob Shad returned to Manhattan this week from Europe. . . . A California manufacturer is marketing "Flying Saucer" T-shirts, featuring pictures DeSylva in the film), while Rush Regis and Sam Taylor. Dick Jaof the disk and artists Buchanan Adams already has the title song cobs has a platter out this week and Goodman on the front and

Flack Henry Okun will handle promotion for the new Art Mooney vival stories is that of "East of M-G-M disk of the themes from the Eden," a movie which introduced James Dean pix, "Rebel Without a the late James Dean last year. A Cause" and "East of Eden." . . .



Disk-Film Tie-Ups Promote

Continued from page 38

on the M-G-M label.

Dean Tribute

One of the most interesting reposthumous clamoring for info on Thomas Russell and Maurice Dean by his fans has prompted Art Mooney and Dick Jacobs to record the tune, while Decca is scheduling a reissue of Victor Holmes; "Solid Gold Cadillac" (the Young's old waxing of the song. new Judy Holliday film), cut by Mooney has also recorded the Pearl Bailey and Morris Stoloff; theme from another old Dean "Away All Boats," recorded by movie, "Rebel Without a Cause," and M-G-M is pushing the two Searchers" (the John Wayne film), sides as a "Tribute to James Dean" cut by Danny Knight, Tex Ritter, package.

material this month. The theme from the French film, "Rififi," has been cut by Larry Adler, the Trio fane," sliced by George Cates and Reisner and Leo Diamond. Two Jack Smith. sound track sides by Henry Leca's orchestra are available on themes Story" movie is still being shown from another French picture, "The in theaters across the country, Proud and the Beautiful." The thereby sparking more plays for title song from the new Italian film, disks featuring oldies from that "La Strada," has been recorded by film. Even the new film version Paul Weston and Michel LeGrand. of "Moby Dick" (with Gregory "Lola's Theme" from "Trapeze" Peck) has been covered by Victor (the Burt Lancaster-Gina Lollo- with a sound track LP, and, altho brigida movie) has been sliced by it's not in the picture, the new Ralph Marterie, Steve Allen, and "Flying Saucer" novelty is un-Muir Mathieson (the sound track doubtedly doing a lot of good for version). "A Kiss Before Dying" the new Paramount picture "Earth has a flock of covers, including Vs. the Flying Saucers."

Gordon MacRae (who plays Buddy disks by Dolores Hawkins, Billy on the title theme from the new Cinerama movie, "Seven Wonders of the World." Perry Como and the Cross Roads Quartet have cut "Somebody Up There Likes Me" from the new M-G-M film bio on Rocky Craziano of the same title.

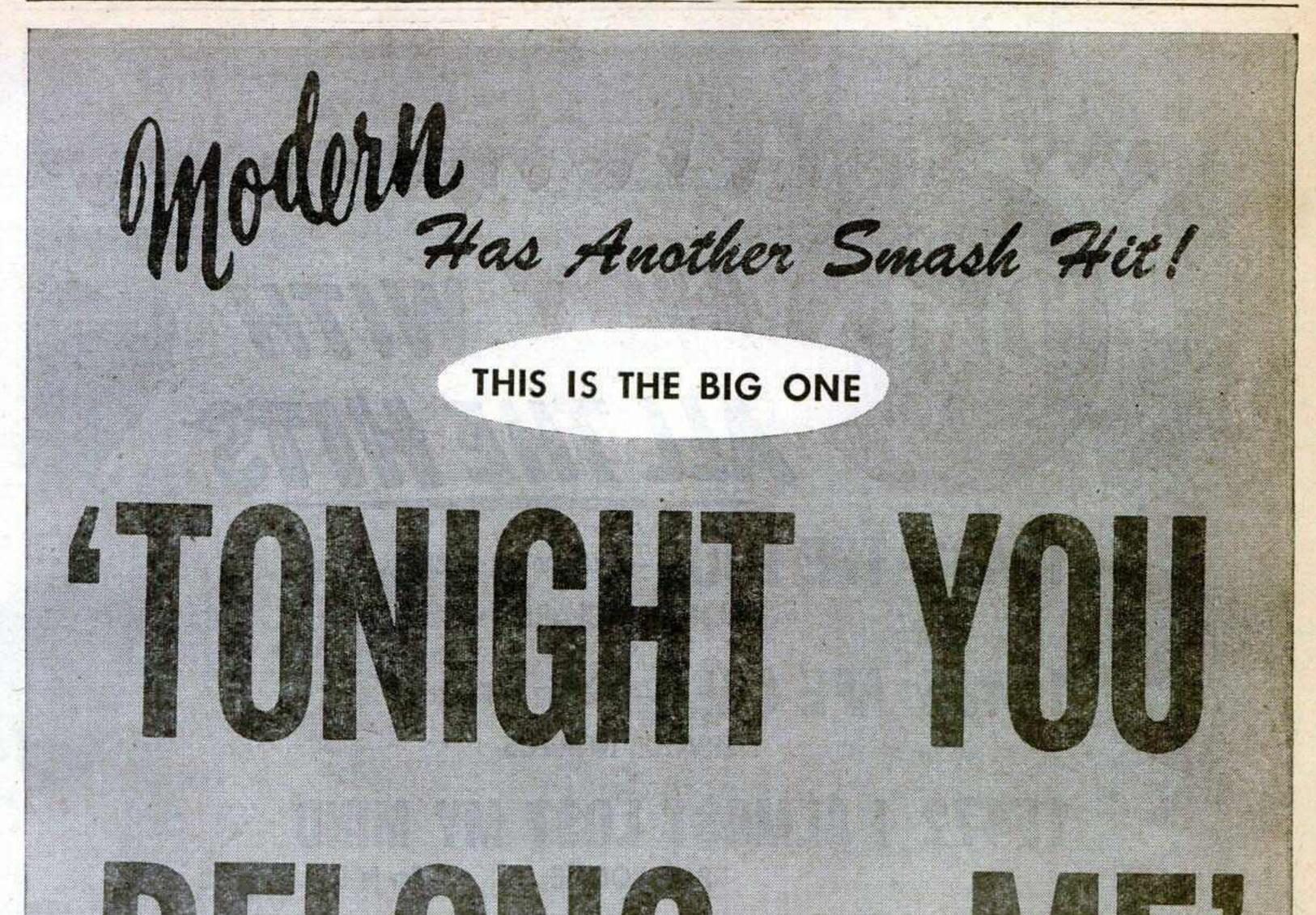
More Pic Themes

Other current movie themes include "The Last Wagon" by Leroy George Cates and Al Hibbler; "The and the Sons of the Pioneers; "Toy The new foreign movies have Tiger," by Frank De Vol; "The also been a rich source of disk Proud Ones," Nelson Riddle,

Meanwhile "The Eddy Duchin

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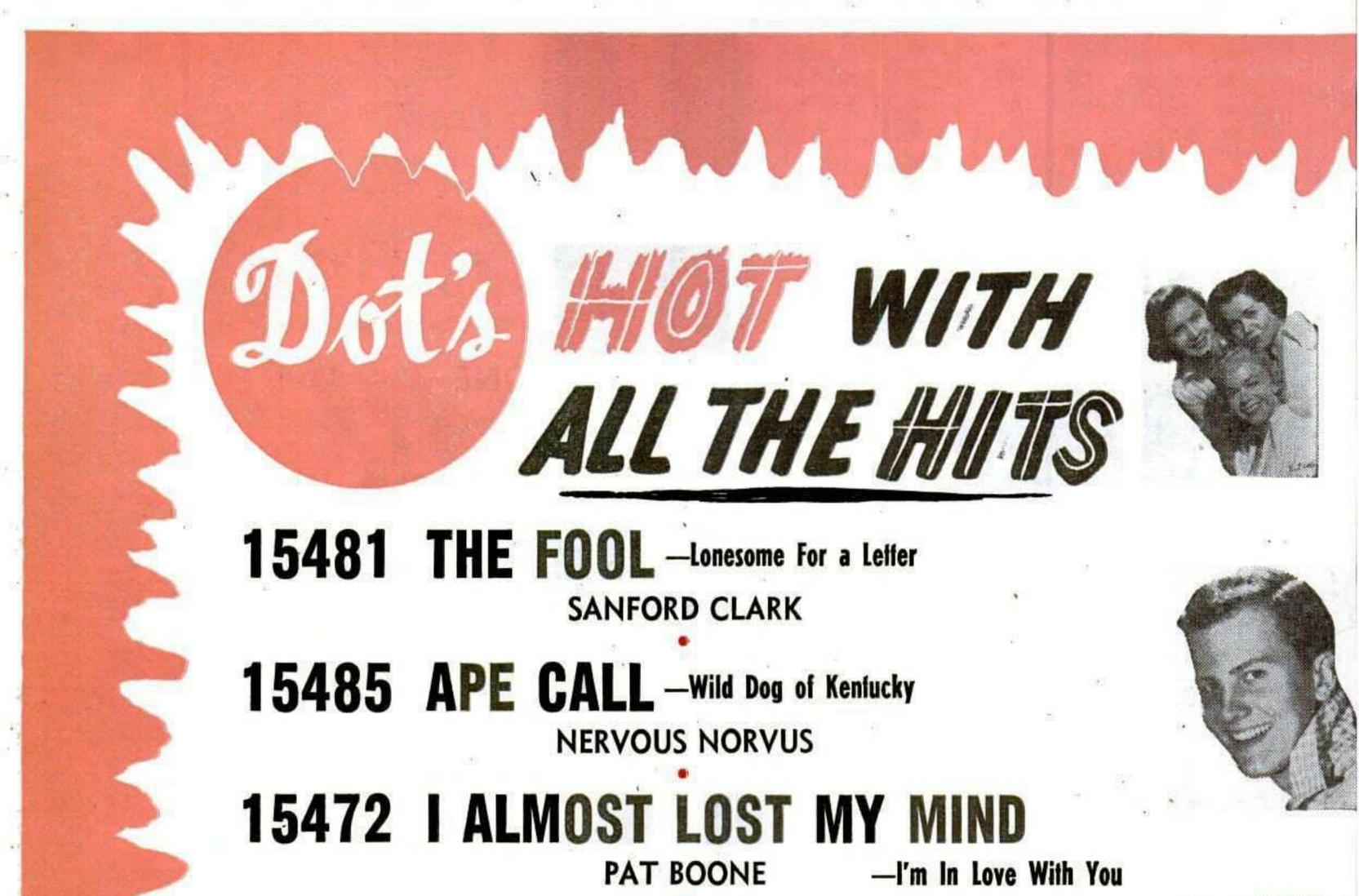
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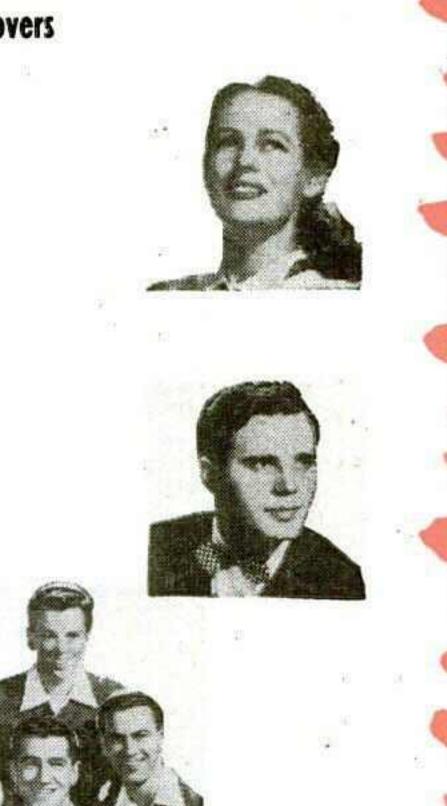
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Big Break for Dealers Via More & Bigger Hi-Fi Shows Chicago Org Skeds 18 Exhibits

In Major Cities Coast to Coast

equipment dealers will get their will serve to iron out much of the showings slated for Los Angeles, best merchandising break yet during the coming season via the medium of more and bigger hi-fi shows than ever before.

Plans are now complete to stage 18 such shows in cities coast to coast between now and May, 1957. Sparkplug for the series of threeday open-to-the-public conclaves is a Chicago organization known as Rigo Enterprises, headed up by Henry Goldsmith, S. I. Nieman, who has operated the International Sight and Sound show in Chicago in the past, is handling all promotion thru his firm, Public Relations Affiliates.

In all cities (18) where firm deals have been made, the local hi-fi show is being staged with the co-operation of local distributors, newspapers and radio stations. Heavy promotion in both media, including saturation spot radio announcements, will precede each show, and all dealers within the market area will reportedly be provided with special display material by local distributors with partial set for 1957: January 4 thru 6, hypoing the event.

hotels, and rooms for exhibits will jor diskeries, Goldsmith said, fol- Seattle; February 15 thru 17, - carry six different price tags rang- lowing experience of the first few Portland, Ore.; March 1 thru 3, ing from \$90 to \$360. This fee shows. includes room rental, a sign, 24hour guard service and all gratuities for hotel employees.

stitute of High Fidelity Manufacturers, Goldsmith said that the Institute had declined to indorse the shows but that he had at least 15 members of the Institute already signed up as exhibitors.

the equipment exhibits via display and Philadelphia. mouth to customers.

nature of its organization, has al- Show. The affair is set for Noways stressed component hi-fi vember 2 thru 5 at the Palmer equipment in its showings, Gold- House. smith and Nieman feel that their Dates and contracted hotel loshows will be even of more value to cations for the Rigo-sponsored dealers because of the broad rep- events for the balance of this year resentation of major hi-fi package include: August 17 thru 19, Deshmanufacturers now contracted for ler Hilton Hotel, Columbus, O.; exhibits.

now in the fold, several have ar- Louis. ranged for exhibits to be manned financing from the manufacturer. Milwaukee; January 18 thru 20, All the sessions will be staged in A strong pitch will be made to ma- Minneapolis; February 1 thru 3,

New York Area

Reises, former operator of the Au- City; April 19 thru 21, Pittsburgh; to reproduce the most complex pas-Asked about any relationships dio Fair, will operate a hi-fi show- April 26 thru 28, Cleveland, and sages without coloration or clipping between these shows and the In- ing in conjunction with a 10-day May 3 thru 5, Detroit. "Diamond Jubilee of the Record Goldsmith and Nieman both em-Industry" celebration at the Coli- phasized the Rigo group is ready seum starting September 7, while to co-operate with local distributhe IHFM exhibition will be staged tors, newspapers and radio stations at the New York Trade Show Hall, in any market area to set up a September 27-30. The Institute is hi-fi show. Victor Sets 'Best Buy' Album

NEW YORK-Hi-fi and sound rewards in extra hi-fi sales. Shows also the guiding spirit behind the fuzzy ideas the general public has February 6 thru 9, 1957, and for about hi fi and what it really is. San Francisco, February 15 thru Any dealers handling equipment 18, 1957. It is understood that should get behind the show near- the Institute will sponsor biennial est his area by calling attention to shows starting in 1957 in Boston

> material in his store and word of Nieman will again conduct the Chicago hi-fi show, formerly the Altho the IHFM, because of the International Sight and Sound

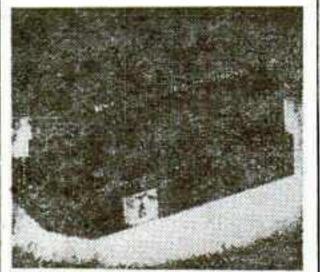
> August 28 and 29, Sheraton Gib-Among the packaged unit firms, son Hotel, Cincinnati; September Philco, RCA Victor, Zenith, Motor- 14 thru 16, Henry Grady Hotel, ola, Admiral, V-M, Webcor and Atlanta; October 12 thru 14, Hotel Majestic-Grundig have all been McAllister, Miami; October 25 signed for exhibits. Component thru 27, Hotel Roosevelt, New Orparts firms too will be heavily rep- leans; November 16 thru 18, Hotel resented, it was stressed. Altho no Adolphus, Dallas, and November major record manufacturers are 23 thru 25, Hotel Statler, St.

The following dates have been Kansas City, Mo.; March 15 thru Fisher Radio has developed this new 17, Omaha, March 29 thru 31, 55-watt Laboratory, Standard ampli-In the New York area, Harry Denver; April 5 thru 7, Salt Lake fier, model 55-A. The unit is said

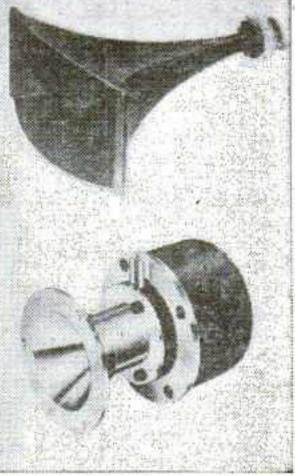
NEW EQUIPMENT



Mich., has developed this System Selector (Model 522) as a dealer merchandising aid. The unit enables the dealer to demonstrate 36 different speaker systems while employing only five of these switching units.



and can handle power peaks of 110



New Goodman loud-speakers introduced include the Midax middle-range and high-frequency speaker with flared horn (top) and the Trebax tweeter with built-in horn. Retail prices are \$58.80 and \$27 respectively.



Dealer Rewards

With these 18 shows set and others being planned by the Goldsmith group, and a New York . Continued from page 38 show sponsored by the Institute itself set to open in late September, dealers stand to reap tremendous

Tempo Distrib for Stromberg Products

WASHINGTON--Tempo Electronics has been named exclusive distributor for all Stromberg Carlsen sound products in the Capitol area, effective August 26. In the sound equipment business here for eight years, the firm is also local distrib for Muzak.

Carlson, a subsidiary of General Dynamics, includes engineered sound systems for schools, hospitals, hotels, motels and industry, as well as packaged hi-fi equipment for home use.

Dallas Dealers Set Distrib Co-Op Deal

DALLAS --- The new formed Dallas Record Dealers' Association has set up associate memberships for local distributors to promote dealer-distributor co-operation.

In addition to discussing plans for better record and phono merchandising, the group has in the works with the distribs, a co-op ad program, calling for weekly clude new packages by Frankie music publications. Disk jockeys ing firms. Both men are BMI newspaper ads promoting "The 12- Carle, organist Ray Bohr, the Bird- will receive special album service writers. Inch Record of the Week." Dealers land jazz stars, Coleman Hawkins, programs. Other pitches will be on will all share in the cost on a pro- Julius La Rosa, the Melachrino radio and TV, and direct mail artists under exclusive writer pacts, rata basis and will list all their ork, Perez Prado, Henri Rene pieces will be sent to Save-on- including Friedrich Gulda and store names in the ad. Help is (with Jayne Mansfield on the cov- Records subscribers. being sought from radio stations er), the Walter Schuman Voices. Dealers will be supplied with a penned "Things I Didn't Do," to give exposure to the feature Hollywood Presbyterian Church three-piece display kit, plus a full "Give Me record of the week.

watts. Designed for laboratory as well as home use, the unit sells for \$169.50.

Gadget Gives **Hi-Fi Speaker** Demonstration

BUCHANAN, Mich -- Electro-Voice, nanufacturer of hi-fi speak-The Camden \$1.98 disks include ers, has unveiled an easy-to-use speaker system selector for demonstrating to customers the difference between single and multi-speaker hi-fi sets.

The unit, which measures 14¹/₂ by 13¹2 by 4¹2 inches, stands Most of the new Victor covers atop speaker enclosures and takes By turning a single knob, a buyer While each distrib is expected can hear, for example, a full

The Systems Selector is fur-

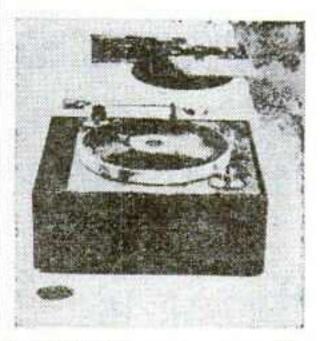
The firm is also offering an informative booklet titled, "Guide to High Fidelity Loudspeaker Sysa Theme by Paganini." Another they order a minimum of \$250 tems," with facts on how to choose a system to suit specific tastes and budgets. The booklet is available for 25 cents from Electro-Voice,

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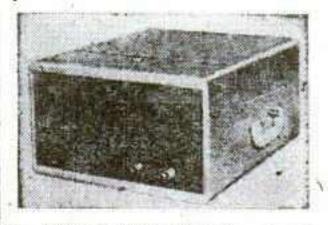
NEW YORK--Phil Kahl has Yorker, Saturday Review, Harper's, signed Vic Abrams and Irving Atlantic Monthly, plus co-op ads Reed to an exclusive two-year The pop and jazz releases in- and others in regular record and pact for his Patricia-KaM publish-

> Kahl already has several jazz Ernie Wilkins. Abrams and Reed Your Love" and "Napoleon."

The Spartan Division of the Magnavox Company has brought out the "Wayfarer" portable phono model 25150. Unit carries two tubes including rectifier and has tone and volume controls and an eight-inch speaker. Introduced at the same time, the model 35300 table radio-phono comes with five tubes, including rectifier. The sets retail at \$39.50 and \$49.50 respectively. Duplicate units with exactly the same specifications have been also brought out under the tag of the parent firm, Magnavox, as models TP232 and TP233.



Reck-O-Kut Company now provides this high fashion base for its Rondine and Rondine de luxe turntables. Handrubbed walnut or natural Korina woods are offered and the base is mounted on rubber ball feet. Suggested retail price is \$26.95.



The "Melody Master" is the newest member of the Magnavox hi-fi group. The three-watt portable unit comes in a variety of lightweight finishes and features a six-inch and a four-inch speaker, with Collaro three-speed changer. Retail price is \$\$9.50.

additional cost, is the inclusion of Paris." the complete text of Dunas' novel, 'Camille," on which the Verdi work is based.

"Getting Friendly With Music" beside the music disk, a special LP David Whitehall ork. of informal talk about classical which is thrown in free. "The chroma process photos. Virtuoso Orchestra," by the Boston

works are Rachmaninoff's Second, catalog. In New York City, dealillustrated booklet goes with it.

Other sets feature Morton Gould, the Boston Pops, Vladimir Horo- scheduled for the program. It will witz, the Boston and Chicago Sym- include a pop and jazz pitch in phonies and the Robert Shaw Life, Red Seal ads in the New Chorale.

Pop and Jazz

Choir, George Williams ork, and color counter merchandiser.

A special feature of this set, at no one based on "The Follies of

sets with the Boston Pops, Toscanini, Paderewski, Harold Bauer, Henri Rene, the Delta Rhythm is a package of light concert music Boys, Guy Lupar, Freddy Martin, by the Boston Pops which contains, Tex Beneke, Al Goodman, and the

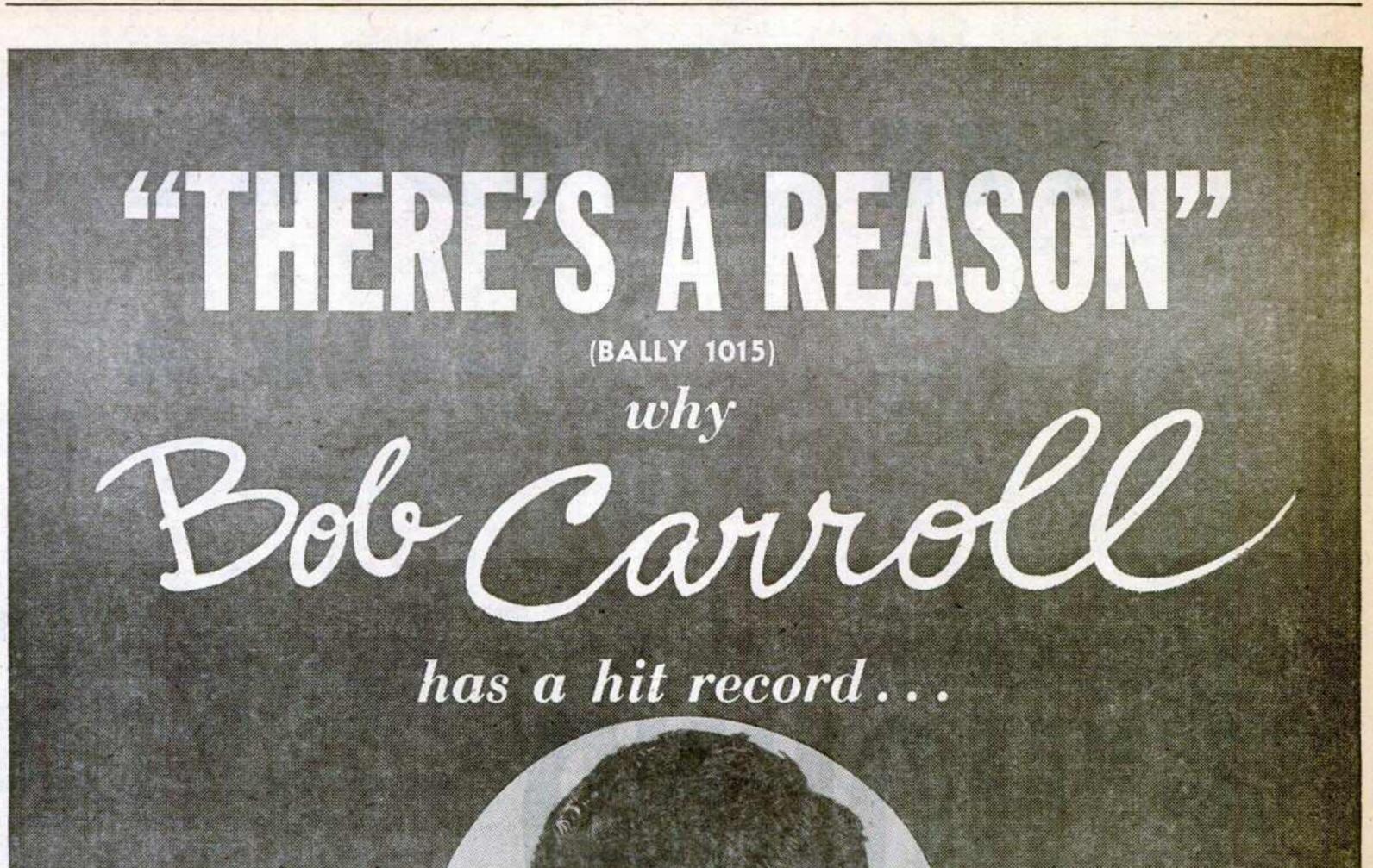
music- by TV's Dave Garroway, are full-color jobs, with Ekta- up a minimum amount of space.

Symphony, which was the July to make his own terms in his baili- range coaxial speaker, then a coax Save-on-Records \$2.98 coupon wick, it's probable that most deal- speaker plus a tweeter, then the special, is on regular release here. ers will be offered a 10 per cent speaker with a mid-range horn, Several of the diskery's best- additional discount on the Septem- and finally, the complete system. The franchise for Stromberg selling concerti, played by Artur ber specials, with 30-60-90 days Rubenstein, were re-taped during billing. Most dealers will be of nished free to dealers with orders the pianist's recent New York con- fered 100 per cent exchange on of two or more different speaker certo recital series, and four of the new releases, and in some demonstrators and includes comthese are issued in a two-disk set territories they will get this offer plete cost data for each compoentitled "The Concerto." The on all items listed in the sampler nent. Liszt's First, the Grieg Concerto, ers are being offered 10 per cent and Rachmaninoff's "Rhapsody on on the new stuff, and, provided survey, on three disks, is "The worth, they can match that amount Tone Poem," which includes 10 with purchases from the old catafavorites interpreted by five top log and avail themselves of 10 per conductors. A special artistically cent extra discount on those items Inc. also.

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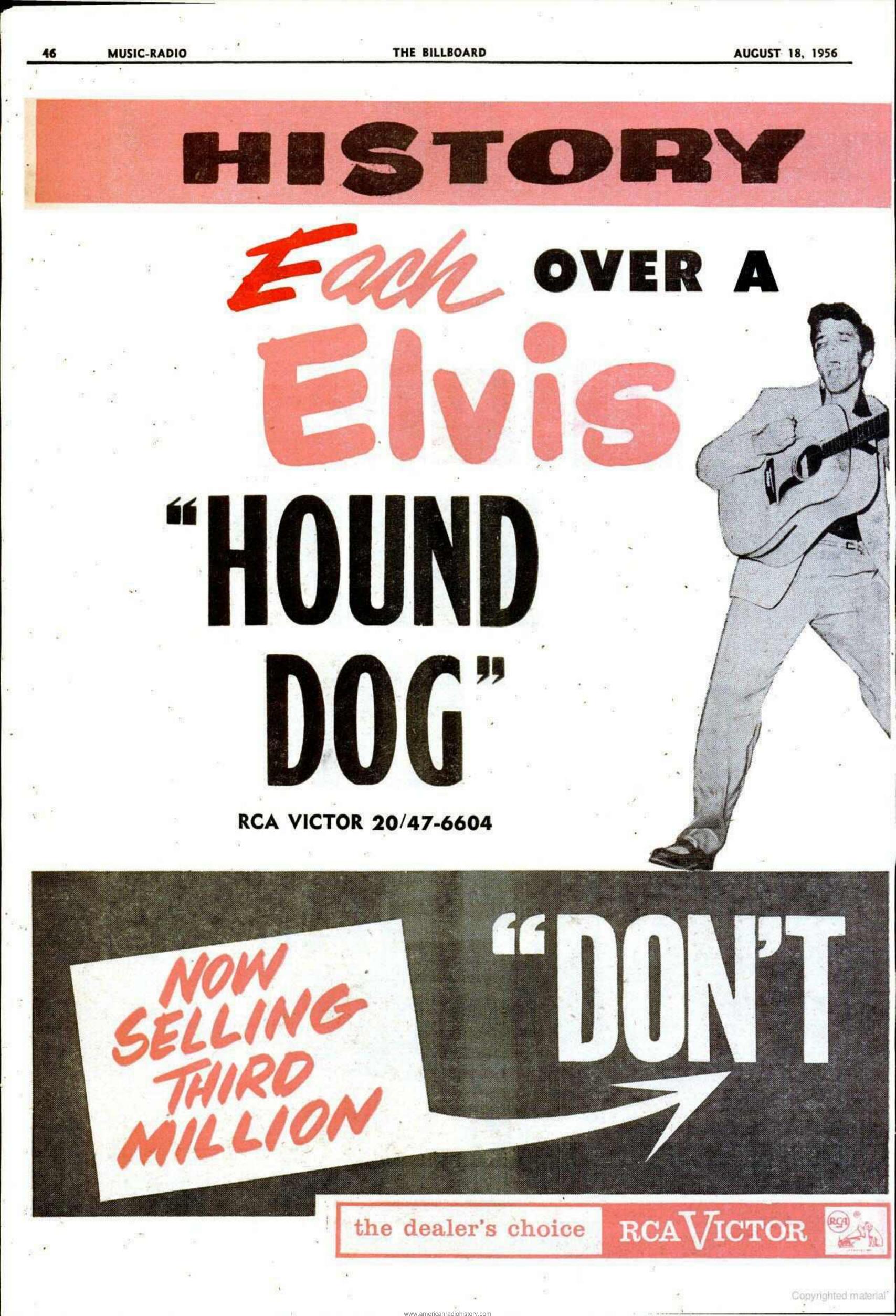


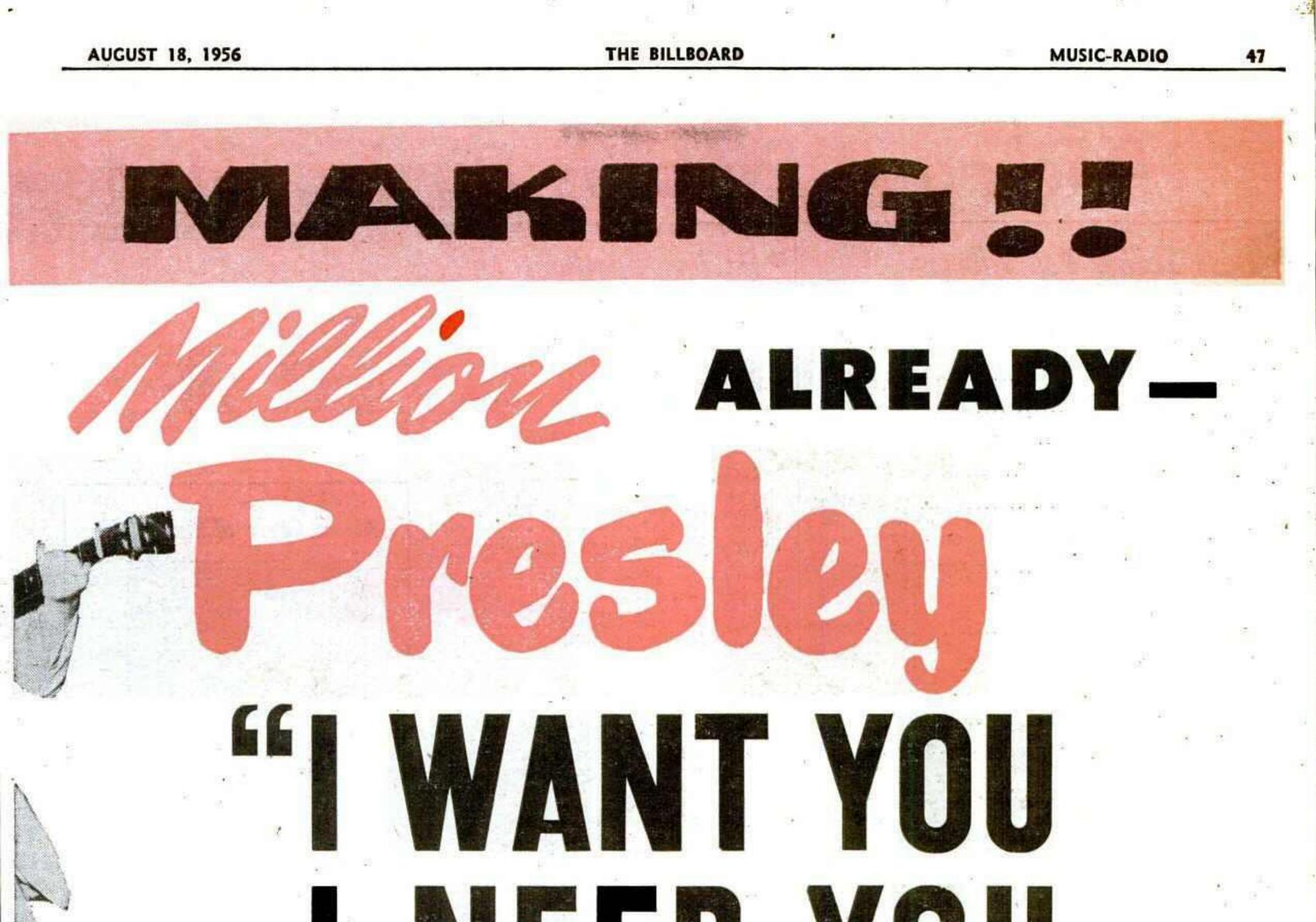
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Best Selling Pop Albums

Albums are ranked in order of their national sales strength at the retail level according to The Billboard's weekly survey of top dealers in all key markets. -

| 1. MY FAIR LADY-Original Cast. | Columbia OL 5090 |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 2. CALYPSO-Harry Belafonte | RCA Victor LPM 1284 |
| 3. ELVIS PRESLEY | RCA Victor LPM 1254 |
| 4. THE KING AND I-Sound Track | kCapitol W 740 |
| 5. CAROUSEL-Sound Track | Capitol W 694 |
| 6. THE EDDY DUCHIN STORY- | Sound TrackDecca DL 8289 |
| 7. BELAFONTE-Harry Belafonte. | RCA Victor LPM 1150 |
| 8. SONGS FOR SW.NGIN' LOVER | RS-Frank Sinatra Capitol W 653 |
| 9. OKLAHOMA!-Sound Track | Capitol SAO 595 |
| 10. THE PLATTERS | Mercury MG 20146 |
| II. THE MOST HAPPY FELLA-O | riginal Cast Columbia OL 5118 |
| 12. PICNIC-Sound Track | Decca DL 8320 |
| 13. SAY IT WITH MUSIC-Lawren | ce WelkCoral CRL 57041 |
| 14. BUBBLES IN THE WINE-Law | rence WelkCoral CRL 57038 |
| 15. FOUR FRESHMEN AND FIVE | TROMBONESCapitol T 683 |

Pop Albums Coming Up Strong

Review Spotlight on...

Jazz Albums

FRIEDRICH GULDA AT BIRDLAND (1-12")-**RCA Victor LPM 1355**

Jazznicks who caught Gilda and his fine group at Birdland or at the Newport Jazz Festival have been awaiting this set eagerly. All of the publicity about this concert pianist-turnedjazzman will undoubtedly pay off, especially since the music lives up to the hoopla. Gulda writes well for the combo, which includes, such brilliant modern soloists as Phil Woods, Jimmy Cleveland, Seldon Powell and the underrated Idrees Sulieman on trumpet. He himself plays a deep-down-in-the-keys piano and demonstrates a refreshing concern for dynamic variation.

ERROLL GARNER CONCERT BY THE SEA (1-12")-Columbia CL 883

This package is the first Garner LP recorded while he was playing before a concert audience (at Carmel, Calif.). The pianist's brilliant jazz technique and tender touch are showcased on a group of standards and originals-"I'll Remember April," "Teach Me Tonight," "Mambo Carmel," etc. Cover, an eye-catching photo of a Carmel seascape, is perfectly keyed to the title theme. Excellent for jazz jocks and romantic segs on pop shows.

Folk Albums

FOLK SONCE OF THE OLD WORLD (2.19")-

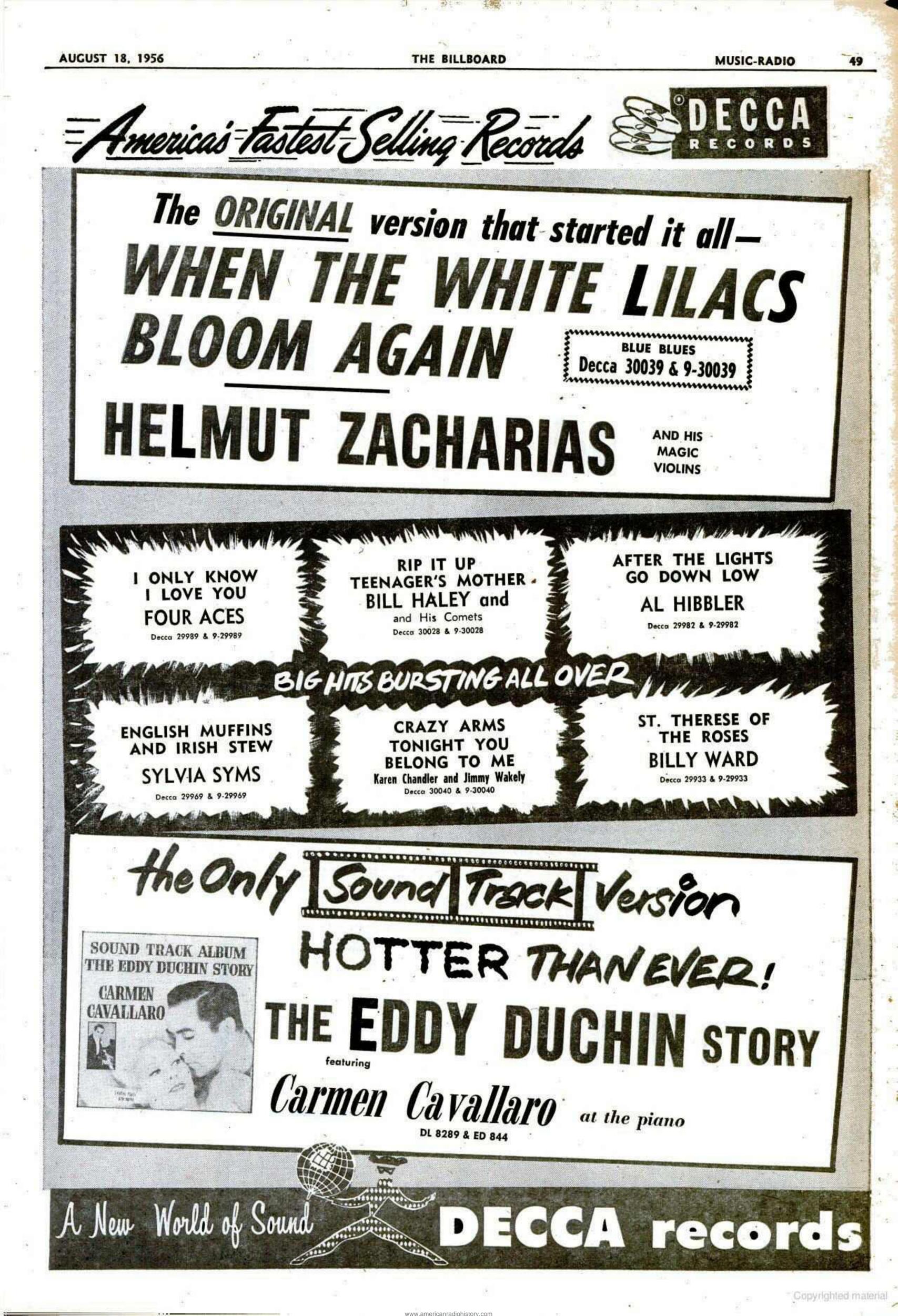
cerity, extreme good taste and with a fine appreciation of the flavors and nuances of the many styles of folk material. A dozen countries are represented in the collection and readings total over 30. Stephen Longstreet's notes make interesting reading and they include complete lyrics to all the songs. An important entry in its field which deserves plenty of dealer attention.



CONCERT BY THE SEA - ERROLL GARNER, Columbia CL 883. The raging sea pounding on the rocky shore, always a powerful eye-catcher, is the attractive theme for this cover. The photograph, done in

| A listing of newer pop albums a | showing strong trade action, compiled s. These albums figure strongly as lest selling pop albums chart | FOLK SONGS OF THE OLD We Roger Wagner Chorale. Capito This de luxe two-LP set mak package, both inside and out. The the Robert Wagner chorale are | I PBR 8345shades ofes a handsomefor displayThe readings byinterval | or, with the title standing out in orange and lavender, is a natural |
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| 1. High Society | Capitol W 750 | • Reviews and | Ratinas of New | Albums |
| 2. Passport to Romand | cePercy Faith Columbia CL 880 | | Classical | Jazz |
| 3. Lonely Girl | Julie London Liberty LRP 3012 | | BRAHMS: SYMPHONY NO. 1 IN C MINOR (1-12")—Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra; William Steinberg, Cond. Capitol P 8349 | new disk that features Rogers in a |
| | RCA Victor LPM 1249 | and Latin-American themes—eight of them his own compositions. Recorded by three different orchestral groups— small, medium and large—the tunes range in beat from cha-cha-cha, | able only in the multi-disk album of all Brahms' orchestral works, which leaves this excellent new version a broad field. There is plenty of name competition, but Steinberg's meticulous, affectionate and | variety of groupings. In only one is the entire nine-man "Giants" crew featured, but there is a lot of satisfy- ing listening in the quintet and septet line-ups as well as the group featuring a four-man trumpet ensemble, backed |
| 5. Starring Al Hibbler | Decca DL 8328 | trade-marked mambo style. Puente's | well-recorded reading is a good bet to hit the best-selling lists. Cover is smart and different. PROKOFIEV: LIEUTENANT KUE SUITE; KODALY: HARY JANOS SUITE (1-12") — Philharmonic-Sym- phony Orchestra of New York; Dimitri | with rhythm. Solid performers in- clude the Candolis, Fagerquist, Kessel, Manne, Edison, Vineggar, Pena and, of course, Rogers himself on trumpet and flugiehorn. A highly commercial jazz package with an imaginative cover worth plenty of display. |
| • Other Records Released This Week | • Number of Releases This Week | RODGERS VISITED | Mitropoulos, Cond. Columbia ML 5101 | HERE IS PHINEAS |
| Popular | Label Pop C&W R&B ALADDIN 1 - 1 1 ARIES 2 - - - - | mental album, featuring Cy Walter's tasteful and expressive planistics on a group of Richard Rodgers composi- | as the double-barrelled coupling, uni- formly great sound, price and name value make this a good sales bet for the aver- age longhair disk dealer. For the con- | beled one of the most promising of new musicians on the jazz scene. The technique is superior and the ideas illustrated here are original and ex- |
| Bella Mora; Besame Morenita - Pablo Beltran Ork, Victor 6609 The Continental (You Kiss While You're Dancing); Jasmine-Eddie Heywood Ork, Decca 30007 | ATCO 1 1 BALLAD 2 1 | oldies as "Slaughter on Tenth Ave- nue," "Lover," and "This Can't Be Love," Fine mood music for discrim- inating pop jocks. The LP spotlights | RACHMANINOFF: PIANO CONCERTO NO. 2 (1-12")-Clifford Curzon, Plano; | citing, both in the brilliantly fast right hand and the fully utilized left hand. There are several familiar tunes among the selection of eight, |
| I Got It Bad and That Ain't Good; Don't Take Your Love From Me—Al Hibbler, Aladdin 3328 Mind If I Make Love to You; Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? — Frank Sinatra, | COLUMBIA 2 2 - CORAL 5 - - - DECCA 8 1 - - | and Walters, along with highly literate liner notes by composer Alec Wilder. | London Philharmonic Orchestra; Adrian Boult, Cond. London LL 1424 | but familiar or new, Newborn gives them all a distinctly personal ap- proach. Dealers should not be afraid to recommend this one to their jazz customers. It's quality thruout. |
| Capitol 3508 New You Has Jazz; High Society Calypso- Bing Crosby and Louis Armstrong, Capitol 3506 | DIG | FRANK SINATRA CONDUCTS THE MUSIC OF ALEC WILDER72 Alec Wilder Octet (1-12") | this perennial favorite. Curzon's new reading is of such a quality that the cus- tomer's choice becomes all the more difficult. The organization and clarity of Curzon's approach indicate his respect | MINGUS AT THE BOHEMIA |
| Moon-Art and Dotty Todd, Diamond 3007 | HARMONY 1 KENT 1 | Columbia is reissuing six sides (featuring Sinatra conducting Wilder's music) which were made about a year | and innate feeling for this work. As a hi-fi product, this disk is of the first rank; the balance of soloist and orchestra is admirable. The rough competitive situ- | Mingus, an extraordinary bass player and a composer-instigator of the avant-garde, continues to make his experiments- palatable to the average |
| Country & Western | KEY 1 KING 1 1 | ago. The liner notes frankly admit that the public was less than enthusi- | ation notwithstanding, this LP will carve a highly respectable niche for itself com- | jazz fan by his musical sense of humor and his intriguing inventions. |
| Cockroach; Big Houston-Link Davis, Sarg | MERCURY 6 2 | astic over them at that time, but predict the world is ready for them | mercially, | For example, he combines "Septem- ber in the Rain" with "Tenderly" |
| Don't Feel Guilty (For Stealing My Heart); Tell Me How Long-Ruth Talley, M-G-M 12307 | OLD TOWN 5 3 - PEACOCK - - 1 SARG - 1 - | now. The sides (spotlighting Mitch Miller on oboe and English horn) are lovely in a grave, semi-classical fash- ion, but it's doubtful if many Sinatra | MILSTEIN MINIATURES (1-12") | row, Mal Waldron and Willie Jones |
| Rhythm & Blues | SUNSET 1 | fans will be in the market for this type of package. The flip features | violin encore pieces by Milstein. This should sell readily to all fiddle fanciers | can swing with a deep-down feeling. "Percussion Discussion" is a remark- |
| Country Boogle; Country Home-Preston Love Ork, Dig 116 | VIK 2 TOTAL 49 13 14 | originals by the old Alec Wilder Octet | and to many buyers of the lighter clas- sics. Program includes such as Smetana's (Continued on page 50) |) able demonstration by Mingus and guest drummer Max Roach. (Continued on page 50) |





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PReviews and Ratings of New Classical Albums

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"From My Homeland," Wieniawski's "Mazurka in D," the "Meditation" from "Thais," "Flight of the Bumble Bee" and several lesser-known, ingratiating bits. Particularly impressive is the muted playing of "Dance of the Spirits" from Gluck's "Orpheus." Can be stocked by any store that handles serious or middlebrow disks.

Of the many sets of contemporary music released this month, this contains some of the most accessible work, some of which was composed for practical use in popular media. The "Theater" music is available for the first time on a "trade" label (it was issued several years ago by a mail-order firm), and the "Radio" music ("Sage of the Prairie") is also a disk first. "Movies," the most satisfying piece, was previously available on the label in another coupling. This uses themes from "The City." "Our Town" and "Of Mice and Men." "Theater" is jazz-inspired in the self-conscious manner of the time, and is not as well-performed as the other works. Copland's more popular pieces, such as "El Salon Mexico" and "Rodeo," have paved the way for moderate sales.

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Reviews and Ratings of

New Jazz Albums

prime target for the zarzuela is the Spanish-speaking music enthusiast, but the rich flow of melodies and sparkling pace of "La Dogaresa" should have more general appeal. A complete Spanish-English libretto is provided. This is light music, but the quality of writing and the standard of performance here are that of "grand opera." Notable are the lead singers, the fine lyric soprano, Pilar Lorengar, and the admirable Manuel Ausensi.

Semi-Classical

A SPANISH GUITAR RECITAL (1-12") --Maria Luisa Anido, Guitar. Capitol

FROM THE ROMANTIC ERA (1-12")-Laurindo Almeida, Guitar. Capitol P

IS ASCAP GIFT OF 'ALLEGIANCE' WAX A 'FIRST?'

WASHINGTON — When . Rep. Joseph Martin (R., Mass.) heard last week that ASCAP was gifting the government with 24,500 copies of the recording, "Pledge Allegiance to the Flag," he asked: "Is this the first time in history that anybody gave anything to the government?"

The resolution accepting the recordings designates 22,000 copies for House use, and 2,500 copies for Senate use. Fifty copies will go to each representative and territorial delegate, while senators will each get 50 copies. Recordings are to be distributed by the lawmakers for nonprofit purposes to radio and television stations in their constituencies and to other groups "deemed appropriate for the purpose of providing the widest possible dissemination of such musical composition."

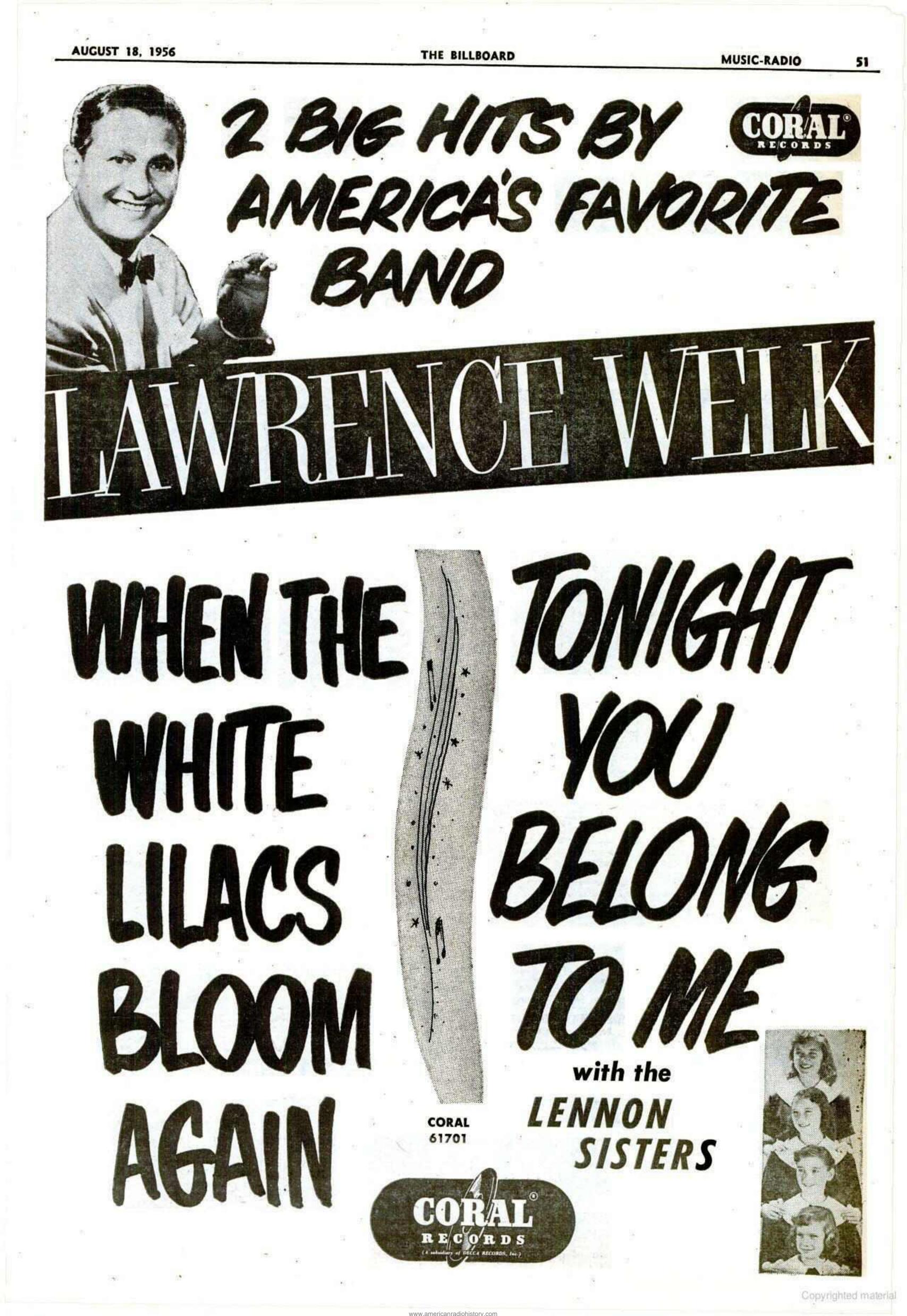
Top 30 Tunes On KLAC, L.A.

HOLLYWOOD—Radio Station KLAC (Los Angeles), last week disclosed a complete change of programming, concurrent with its 10th anniversary, via the issuance of a public warranty pledging the airing of only the "30 top tunes and memories, too."

Programming of "30 top tunes and memories too" came into being as the result of a year's survey un-







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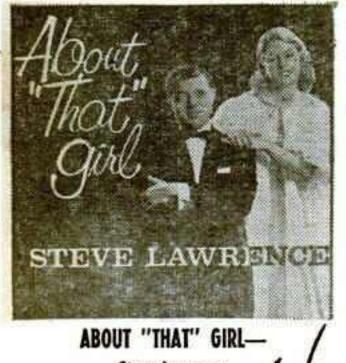


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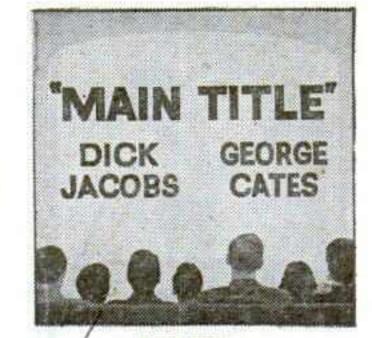
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SOUVENIR D'ITALIE Johnny Desmond CRL 57079/EC 81139



FUN TIME Buddy Hackett, Bob & Ray, Steve Allen, Phil Foster & others CRL 57072



MAIN TITLE— Dick Jacobs & George Cates Outstanding Movie Themes CRL 57065/EC 81142-3



MUSIC FROM LONDON Kevin Forsythe and his Orchestra Recorded in England CRL 57076





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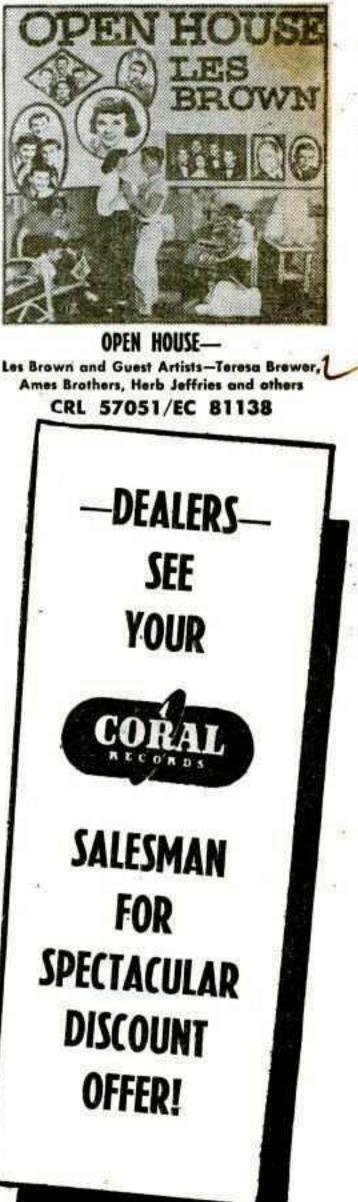


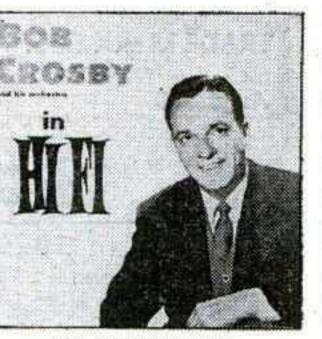


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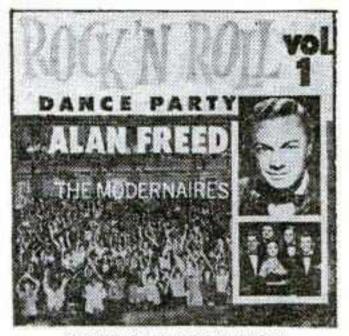


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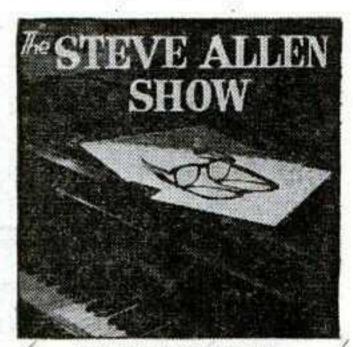


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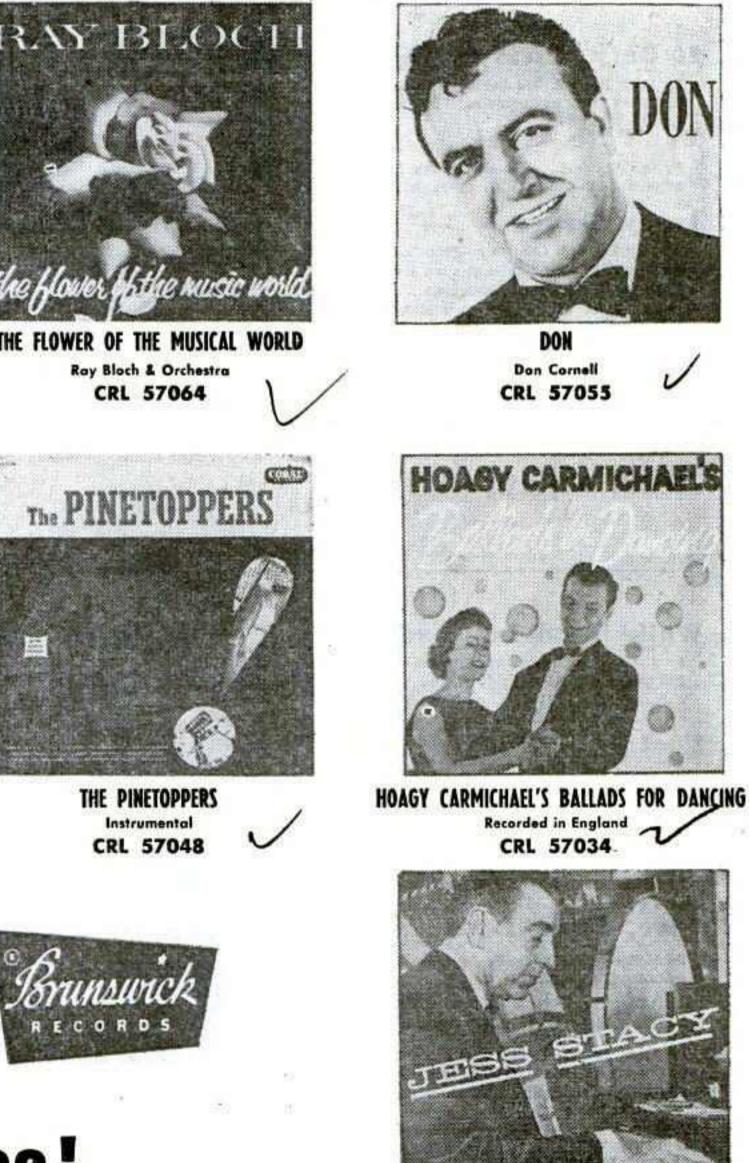


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THE STEVE ALLEN SHOW Starring Steve Allen, Eydie Garme, Stave Lowrence and TV cost CRL 57070/EC 82028



MORE FROM LES Les Brown & his Band Featuring Dave Pell and Don Fagerquist' CRL 57058







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THE NATION'S TOP TUNES For survey week ending August 8

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| 1. | My Prayer By Boulanger & Kennedy-Published by Skidmore (ASCAP) BEST SELLING RECORD: Platters, Mercury 70893, RECORD AVAILABLE: Ink Spots, Dec 29991. | 2 | 6 | 5. Hound Dog By J. Leiber and M. Stoller-Published by Elvis Presley Music & Lion Music (BMI) BEST SELLING RECORD: E. Presley, Vic 20-6604. RECORD AVAILABLE: F. Bell-Bellboys, Mercury 70919. | 0 | 3 |
| 2. | Whatever Will Be Will Be (Que Sera Sera) By Livingston, Evans—Published by Artists Music (ASCAP) BEST SELLING RECORD: Doris Day, Col 40704. RECORD AVAILABLE: E. Howard, Mercury 70881. | 2 | 7 | 7. I Want You, I Need You, I Love You By Maurice Mysels & Ira Kosloff—Published by Elvis Presley Music (BMI) BEST SELLING RECORD: E. Presley, Vic 20-6540. 9. On the Street Where You Live | 00774-8 | 11 |
| 3. | Wayward Wind By Stan Lebousk-Herb Newman—Published by Warman (BMI) BEST SELLING RECORD: G. Grant, Era 1013. RECORDS AVAILABLE: T. Ritter, Cap 3430; J. Valentine, M-G-M 12267. | 1 | 16 | 8. On the Street Where You Live By Lerner & F. Lowe-Published by Chappell (ASCAP) BEST SELLING RECORD: V. Damone, Col 40654. RECORDS AVAILABLE: A. Fiedler, Vic 20-6569; E. Fisher, Vic 20-6529; L. Welk, Coral 61644; F. Wayne, Epic 9153. | • | 19 |
| 4. | I Almost Lost My Mind By Hunter-Published by Hill & Range (BMI) BEST SELLING RECORD: P. Boone, Dot 15472. RECORD AVAILABLE: 1. J. Hunter, M-G-M 10578. | 4 | 11 | 9. Canadian Sunset By Eddie Heywood & Norman Gimbel—Published by Meridian (BMI) BEST SELLING RECORD: H. Winterhalter-E. Heywood, Vic 20-6537. RECORD AVAILABLE: A. Williams, Cadence 1296. | 4 | 5 |
| 5. | Allegheny Moon By Hoffman-Manning-Published by Oxford (ASCAP) BEST SELLING RECORD: P. Page, Mercury 70878. RECORDS AVAILABLE: B. Regis, Vic 20-6551; L. Welk-Lennon Sisters, Coral 61679 | 5 | 8 | 10. Sweet Old-Fashioned Girl By Bob Merrill-Published by Valor (ASCAP) BEST SELLING RECORD: T. Brewer, Coral 61636. | 9 | 9 |

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11. Flying Saucer

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| | By Buchanan & Goodman—Publshed by Luniverse BEST SELLING RECORD: Buchanan & Goodman, Luniverse 101. | 10 | - | | By Mack David & Red Spielman-Published by Advanced Music (ASCAP) BEST SELLING RECORD: Ames Brothers, Vic 20-6481. | | 1~ |
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| 12. | Born to Be With You By Don Robertson-Published by E. H. Morris (ASCAP) BEST SELLING RECORD: Chordettes, Cadence 1291, RECORD AVAILABLE: L. Dee, Mercury 70870. | 12 | 10 | | Don't Be Cruel By Otis Blackwell—Published by Elvis Presley & Shalimar (BMI) BEST SELLING RECORD: E. Presley, Vic 20-6604. | 25 | |
| | More By Tom Glader & Alex Alstone-Published by Shapiro-Bernstein (ASCAP) BEST SELLING RECORD: P, Como, Vic 20-6554. | 11 | 19 | 18. | Ivory Tower By Jack Fulton & Lois Steele-Published by E. H. Morris (ASCAP) BEST SELLING RECORD: C. Carr, Fraternity 734. RECORDS AVAILABLE: Four Hues, Coral 61617; L. Guerrero, Real 1310; G. Sto Dot 15458; O. Williams, De Luxe 6093. | 010905 | 20 |
| 14. | Moonglow and Theme From Picnic By Hudson, Delange & Mills (Dunning)—Published by Mills-Columbia Pictures Music Corp. (ASCAP) BEST SELLING RECORD: M. Stoloff, Dec 29888. RECORD AVAILABLE: G. Cates, Coral 61618. | 8 | 19 | 19. | Stranded in the Jungle By Johnson & Smith—Published by Peer IntlFlash (BMI) BEST SELLING RECORD: Cadets, Modern 994. RECORDS AVAILABLE: Gadabouts, Mercury 70898; Jayhawks, Flash 109. | 17 | 6 |
| 15. | Be-Bop-a-Lula | 13 | 8 | 20. | Song for a Summer Night | 25 | 2 |
| | By Sheriff Tex Davis-Gene Vincent-Published by Lowery Enterprises (BMI) BEST SELLING RECORD: G. Vincent, Cap 3450. | | | 2 | By R. Allen-Published by April (ASCAP) BEST SELLING RECORD: M. Miller, Col 40730. | | |
| 21. | Soft Summer Breeze By Eddie Heywood-Published by Regent (BMI) | - T - | hird 2 | | Walk Hand in Hand By J. Cowell—Published by Republic (BMI) | 23 | 16 |
| - | RECORD AVAILABLE: E. Heywood, Mercury 70863. | | | 1 | RECORDS AVAILABLE: T. Martin, Vic 20-6493; D. Vaughn, Kapp 143; A. Wi Cadence 1288. | illiams, | |
| 21. | You Don't Know Me | 30 | 4 | 27. | Fool | | 1 |
| | By C. Walker & E. Arnold-Published by Hill & Range (BMI) | | | | | _ | |
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Canadian Sunset c/w This Is Real 20/47-6537

EDDIE FISHER Oh My Maria c/w If I'm Elected 20/47-6615

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| Luniverse 101 5. I WANT YOU, I NEED YOU, I LOVE | (ASCAP)-Doris Day | 5. I ALMOST LOST MY MIND (BMI)- P. Boone 2 I I'm in Love With You (BMI)-Dot 15472 |
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| 8. BE-BOP-A-LULA (BMI)-G. Vincent 8 9 Woman Love (BMI)-Cap 3450 | 9. BORN TO BE WITH YOU (ASCAP)- Chordettes | 9. ON THE STREET WHERE YOU LIVE (ASCAP)-V. Damone 6 18 We All Need Love (ASCAP)-Col 40654 |
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| BORN TO BE WITH YOU (ASCAP)- Chordettes 11 9 Love Never Changes (ASCAP)- Cadence 1291, 1019 | 13. I'M IN LOVE AGAIN (BMI)- F. Domino 11 14 MY BLUE HEAVEN (ASCAP)- Imperial 5386 | H. Winterhalter-E. Heywood 11 This Is Real (ASCAP)-Vic 20-6537 13. SWEET OLD-FASHIONED GIRL (ASCAP)-T. Brewer |
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| Lonesome for a Letter (BMI)-Dot 15481 | 15. MOONGLOW AND THEME FROM "PICNIC" (ASCAP)-M. Stoloff 14 14 Theme From "Picnic" (ASCAP)-Dec 29888 | "PICNIC" (ASCAP)-M. Stoloff 8 1 Theme From "Picnic" (ASCAP)-Dec 29888 15. CANADIAN SUNSET (BMI)- |
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| Vic 20-6481 7. MOONGLOW AND THEME FROM "PICNIC" (ASCAP)-M. Stoloff 13 18 Theme From "Picnic" (ASCAP)-Dec 29888 | 19. SOFT SUMMER BREEZE (BM1)- E. Heywood 1 Heywood's Bounce (BM1)-Mercury 70863 | 18. IT ONLY HURTS FOR A LITTLE WHILE (ASCAP)-Ames Brothers 24 10 If You Want to See Mamie Tonight (ASCAP)- Vic 20-6481 |
| 9. THAT'S ALL THERE IS TO THAT (BMI)-Nat (King) Cole | 20. THAT'S ALL THERE IS TO THAT (BMI)-Nat (King) Cole | 19. FROM THE CANDY STORE ON THE CORNER (ASCAP)-T. Bennett Happiness Street (ASCAP)-Col 40726 |
| I'M IN LOVE AGAIN (BMI)- F. Domino | • Best Selling Sheet Music Tunes are ranked in order of their current national | 20. SONG FOR A SUMMER NIGHT (PARTS I & II)-M. Miller 23 Col 40730-ASCAP |
| L. SOFI SUMMER BREEZE (BMI)- E. Heywood | selling importance at the sheet music jobber level. Weel - Last on Week Chart | 21. SOFT SUMMER BREEZE (BMI)- E. Heywood Heywood's Bounce (BMI)-Mercury 70863 |
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| B. STRANDED IN THE JUNGLE (BMI)-Cadets | 5. My Prayer (Shapiro-Bernstein) 6 5 6. Canadian Sunset (Meridian) 7 2 7. Ivory Tower (E. H. Morris) 13 17 | 23. TEAT'S ALL THERE IS TO THAT (BMI)-Nat (King) Cole My Dream Sonata (ASCAP)-Cap 3456 |
| FEVER (BMI)-L. W. John | 8. I Almost Lost My Mind (Hill & Range) | 24. GLENDORA (BMI)-P. Como 18 More (ASCAP)-Vic 20-6554 |
| 5. WHEN MY DREAMBOAT COMES HOME (ASCAP)-F. Domino 24 3 SO-LONG (BMI)-Imperial 5396 | 12. Pienle (Shapiro-Bernstein) 14 14 12. If Only Hurts for a Little While (Advanced) 3 14. Sweet Old-Fashloned Girl (Valor) 5 5 15. More (Shapiro-Bernstein) 5 5 | 25. PORTUGUESE WASHERWOMAN (ASCAP)-J. (Fingers) Carr 24 Lucky Pierre (ASCAP)-Cap 3418 |

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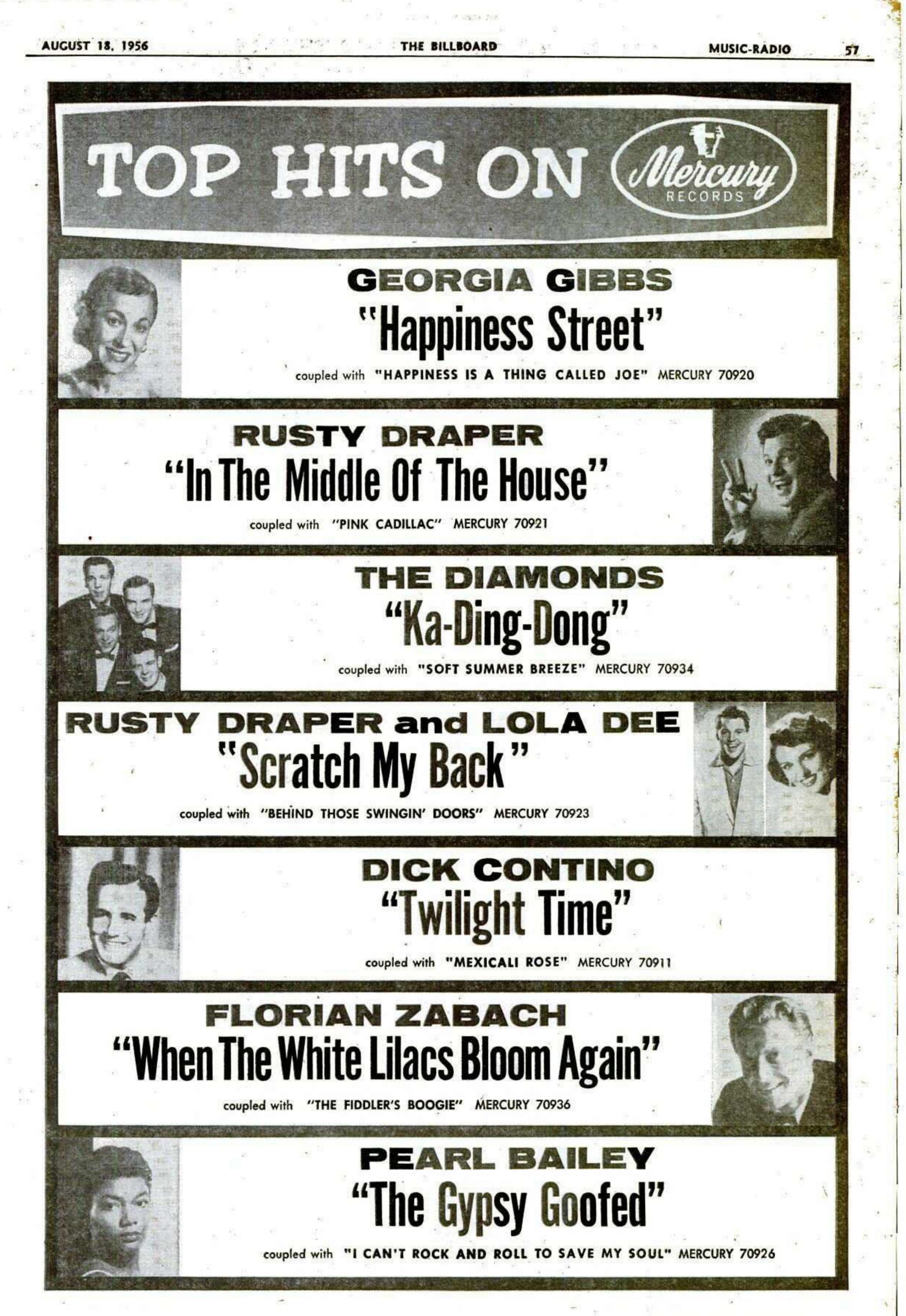
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Territorial Best Sellers

For survey week ending August 8

Listings are based on late reports secured from top dealers in each of the markets listed,

H, Winterhalter-E. Heywood, Vic.

- 8. Song for a Summer Night
- 9. You Don't Know Me, J. Vale, Col. 10. Allegheny Moon, P. Page, Mer.

Kansas City

- 1. Hound Dog, F. Presley, Vic.
- 2. My Prayer, Platters, Mer.
- Buchanan & Goodman, Lun, 4. Whatever Will Be, Will Be
- Doris Day, Col.
- 5. Fool, Gallahads, Jub.
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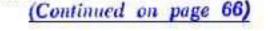
Los Angeles

- 1. I Want You. I Need You, I Love You
- E. Presley, Vic.
- 2. My Prayer, Platters, Mer.
- 3. Whatever Will Be, Will Be Doris Day, Col.
- 4. Wayward Wind, G. Grant, Era
- Buchanan & Goodman, Lun, 6. Moonglow and Theme From "Picnic"
- M. Stoloff, Dec. 7. Allegheny Moon, P. Page, Mcr.
- 8. I Almost Lost My Mind
- P. Boone, Dot
- 9. I'm In Love Again, F. Domino, Imp.
- 10. On the Street Where You Live
 - Milwaukee
- 1. Hound Dog, E. Presley, Vic.
- 2. My Prayer, Platters, Mer.
- 3. Flying Saucer
- Buchanan & Goodman, Lun,
- 4. Whatever Will Be, Will Be
- D. Day, Col.
- 5. Be-Bop-A-Lula, G. Vincent, Cap.
- 6. I Want You, I Need You, 1 Love You
- H. Winterhalter-E. Heywood, Vic.
- 8. Don't Be Cruel, & Presley, Vic.
- 9. Allegheny Moon, P. Page, Mer.
 - Minneapolis-St. Paul
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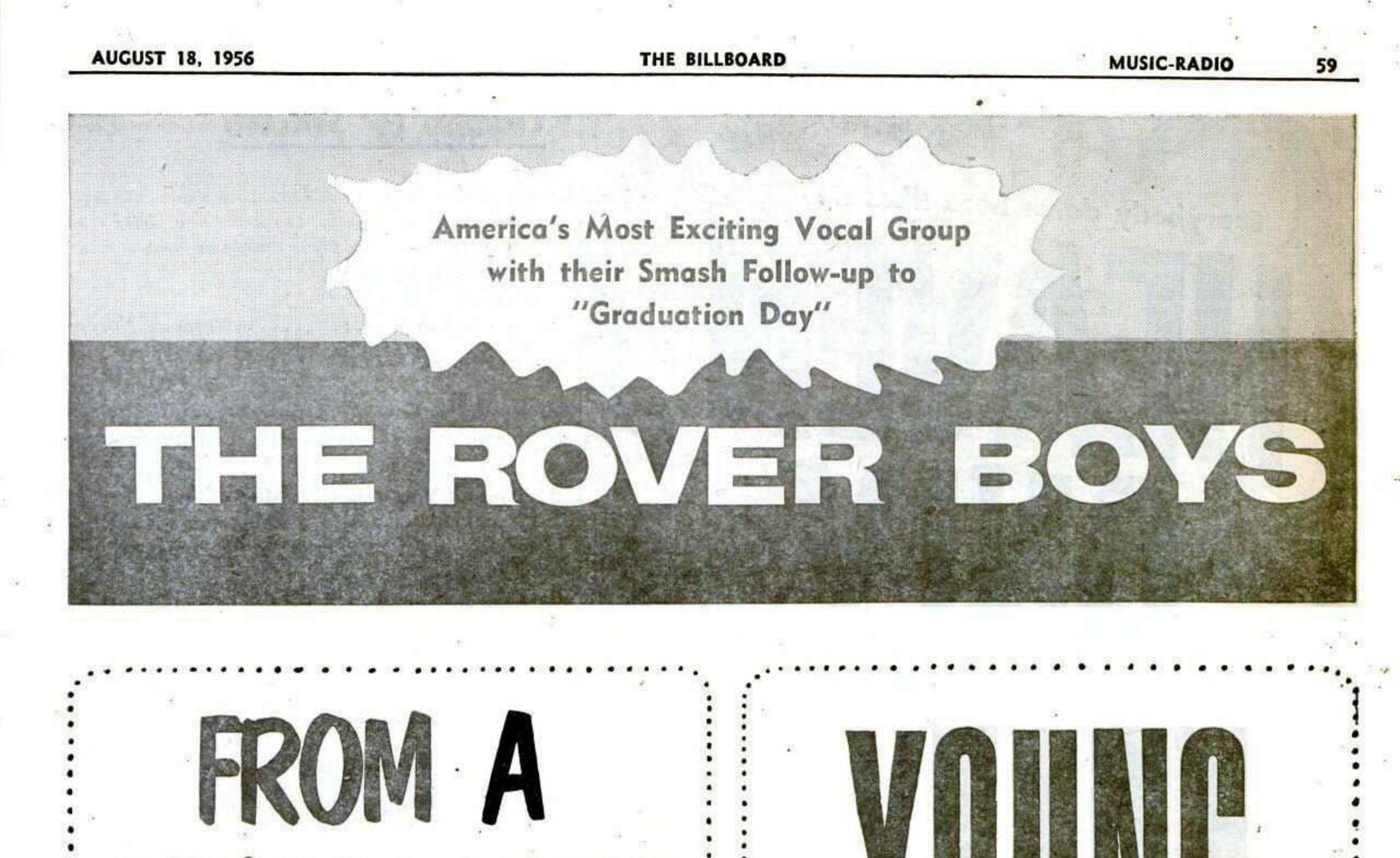


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ABC PARAMOUNT 9732

Review Spotlight on . . . RECORDS

ROVER BOYS ABC-Paramount 9732 YOUNG LOVE (Sheldon, BMf)

FROM A SCHOOL RING TO A WEDDING RING. (Rush, BMI) The Rover Boss stirred up considerable action with their last disk, "Graduation Day," and this should grab off equal attention. Both sides are keyed to today's south market, and the boys warble with style and expressive tenderness. "Young Love" is a poignant hallad with a standout performance by the group's lead singer. The flip is an appealing ballad with some-live senti-mental leads. mental lons.

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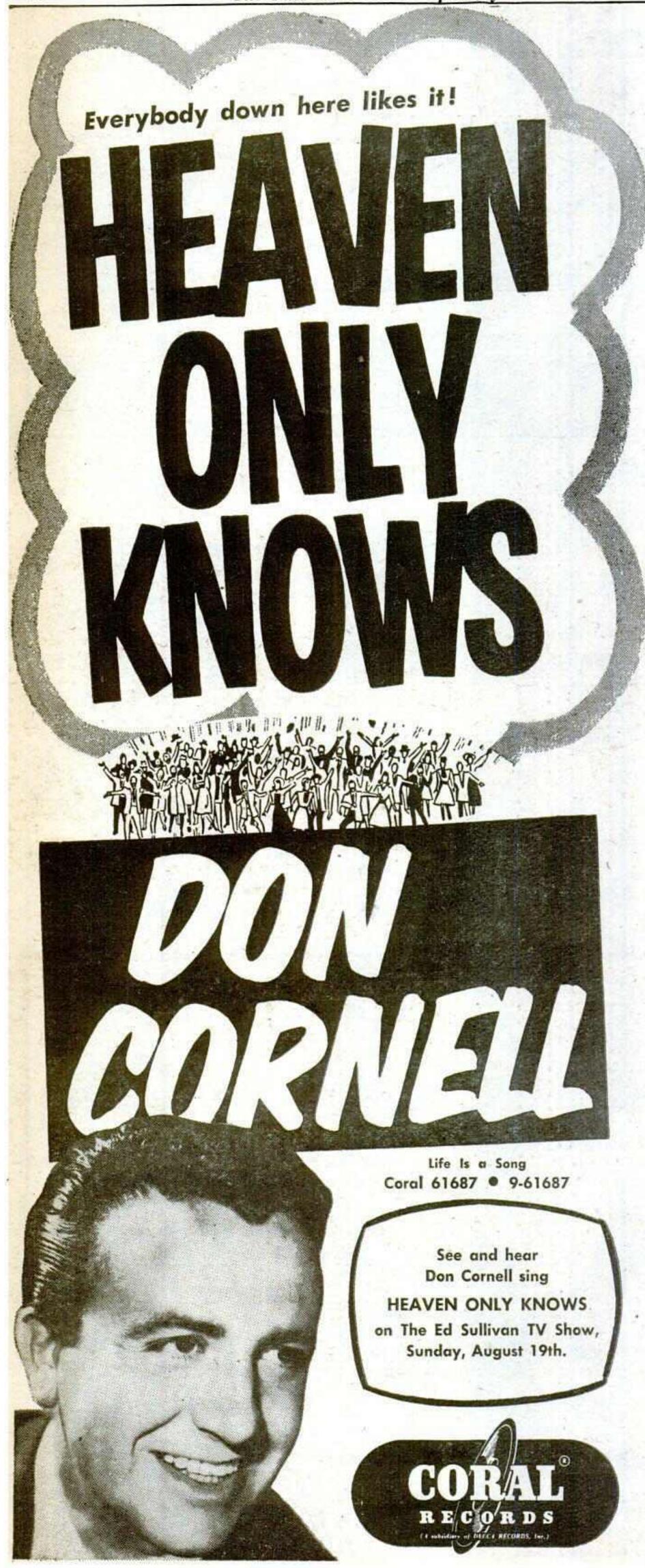






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• COMING UP STRONG

A listing of newer pop records which have shown solid trade response during the past week. Compiled thru a survey of all major markets, these records figure strongly as potential entries on the National Best Seller Chart.

| 1. Ape | Call | ••• | | • • | • • | 1975 | • • | • | · Nervous | Ne | orvus |
|--------|------|-----|---|-----|-----|------|-----|---|-----------|-----|-------|
| | | | đ | | | | | | (ASCAP) | Dot | 15485 |

2. Honky Tonk......Bill Doggett (BMI) King 4950

3. Tonight You Belong to MePatience and Prudence (ASCAP) Liberty 55022

4. Canadian Sunset Andy Williams
(BMI) Cadence 1297

5. Theme From "The Proud Ones"Nelson Riddle (BMI) Capitol 3472

6. The Old Philosopher Eddie Lawrence (BMI) Coral 61671

7. Rip It Up Bill Haley & His Comets (BMI) Decca 30028

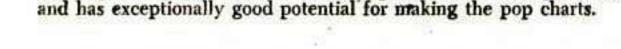
9. Ka Ding Dong..... The G-Cleffs Pilgrim 24971

10. Mama, Teach Me to Dance ... Eydie Gorme (ASCAP) ABC-Paramount 9722

THIS WEEK'S BEST BUYS

According to sales reports in key markets, the following recent releases are recommended for extra profits:

- APE CALL (Smith, ASCAP)-Nervous Norvus-Dot 15485-Norvus has established a second novelty click with "Ape Call." Business has been good with it in almost all territories checked, and it is now near listing on the national charts. Flip is "Wild Dog of Kentucky" (Barrett, BMI).
- TONIGHT YOU BELONG TO ME (Mills, ASCAP) Patience & Prudence-Liberty 55022-A "sleeper" that has been making more and more noise. The girls are now coming up fast with this unusual disk, according to key dealers surveyed this week, and could possibly hit territorial and even national listings in another week or two. Flip is "A Smile and a Ribbon" (Frank, ASCAP).
- CANADIAN SUNSET (Meridian, BMI) Andy Williams Cadence 1297-Boston, Providence, Buffalo, Baltimore, Chicago, Minneapolis, Detroit and Pittsburgh are among the important markets that rated current sales of this disk strong. Clearly it is snowballing into a disk of major importance. Flip is "High Upon a Mountain" (E. H. Morris, ASCAP). A previous Billboard "Spotlight" pick.
- THE OLD PHILOSOPHER (Merrick, BMI)-Eddie Lawrence-Coral 61671-Each week this disk has been inching up more determinedly toward the charts and now is getting close. Good sales reports were turned in from Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Detroit, Milwaukee and Cleveland, among others. Flip is "King Arthur's Mines" (Merrick, BMI). A previous Billboard Novelty "Spotlight."
- HONKY TONK (Billace, BMI)-Bill Doggett-King 4950-Making a big jump this past week, "Honky Tonk" zoomed into the No. 5 slot on the national rhythm and blues retail chart. It is making a similar showing with pop_{*}customers, according to dealers and operators,



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| 43. RIP IT UP | Little Richard Specialty 58 |
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| 44. WEARY BLUES | McGuire Sisters, Coral32 |
| 45. STRANDED IN THE JUNGLE | Jayhawks |
| 46. PICNIC | McGuire Sisters Coral |
| 47. VOICES | Fontane Sisters Dot |
| 48. RIP IT UP | B. Haley Decca70 |
| 48. TONIGHT YOU BELONG TO ME | Patience & Prudence Liberty60 |
| 50. IVORY TOWER | G. Storm Dot 59 |
| 50. STRANDED IN THE JUNGLE | Gadabouts Mercury 60 |
| 52. YOU'RE SENSATIONAL | F. Sinatra Capitol 56 |
| 53. CAN YOU FIND IT IN YOUR HEART? | T. Bennett Columbia |
| 54. HONKY TONK | B. Doggett King |
| 55. OLD PHILOSOFHER | E. Lawrence |
| 56. TRANSFUSION | N. Norvus Dot |
| 57. THEME FROM "THE PROUD ONES" | is Riddle |
| 58. MY BLUE HEAVEN | F. Domino Imperial |
| 59. AFTER THE LIGHTS GO DOWN LOW | A. Hibbler Decca 68 |
| 60. HAPPINESS STREET | 1. Bennett Columbia |
| 60. MAMA, TEACH ME TO DANCE | E. Gorme ABC-Para- |
| 62. IN A SHANTY IN OLD SHANTY TOWN | S. Smith Enic 62 |
| 63. HAPPY WHISTLER | D. Robertson Capitol 44 |
| 64. HOW LITTLE WE KNOW | F. Sinatra Capitol |
| 64. IVORY TOWER | C. Carr Fraternity |
| 66. STANDING ON THE CORNER | D. Martin Capitol 69 |
| 67. READY TEDDY | Little Richard Specialty 80 |
| 68. MIRACLE OF LOVE | E. Rogers Columbia |
| 69. HEAVEN ON EARTH | Platters |
| 69. I COULD HAVE DANCED ALL NIGHT | R. Clooney Columbia |
| 69. KA DING DONG | G. Clefs Pilgrim |
| 72. ENGLISH MUFFINS AND IRISH STEW | S. Syms Decca |
| 72. WALK HAND IN HAND | T. Martin Victor 50 |
| 74. FROM THE CANDY STORE ON THE | et dis non-sev count of several sector that many that is well and one |
| CORNER | T. Bennett Columbia |
| 74. IN THE ALPS | L. Welk Coral 6 |
| 74. MY LITTLE ANGEL | Four Lads Columbia |
| 77. MY BABY LEFT ME | E. Presley Victor |
| 78. 50 LONG | F. Domino Imperial |
| 79. SWEET HEARTACHES | E. Fisher |
| 80. FOOL | Gallahads Jubilee |
| 81. LOLA'S THEME | S. Allen Coral |
| 82. LOLA'S THEME | M. Mathieson Columbia67 |
| 83. CLAY IDOL | B. Johnson Bally |
| 84 CASUAL LOOK | Six Teens Flin 76 |
| 85. KISS ME ANOTHER 86. I PROMISE TO REMEMBER | G. Gibbs Mercury |
| 86. I PROMISE TO REMEMBER | Teen-Agers Gee 100 |
| 86. I'M IN LOVE AGAIN | Pontane Sisters Dot |
| 88. DREAMER | Four Aces Decca |
| 88. HAPPINESS STREET | G. Gibbs Mercury |
| 90. I DON'T WANT NOBODY | W. Herman Capitol |
| 90. WITH A LITTLE BIT OF LUCK | |
| 92. HEARTBREAK HOTEL | E. PresleyVictor65 |
| 93. CHURCH BELLS MAY RING | Diamonds Mercury |
| 93. HOW LUCKY YOU ARE | B Holey |
| 93. R-O-C-K | D. Haley Decca |
| 96. IVORY TOWER | |
| 97. OOBY DOOBY. | R. OrbisonSun |
| 98. DREAM ALONG WITH ME. | .F. Como |
| 99. AWAY ALL BOATS. 100. LONESOME LOVER BLUES. | A. Hibbier Decca |
| 100. LONESOME LOVER BLUES | Foulance Sisters Dot |

CAUTION TO DEALERS AND JUKE BOX OPERATORS

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- By JUNE BUNDY

MONITOR MUSICAL SURVEY

According to a survey made by the NBC radio network show, "Monitor," here are the records which received the most local air play over NBC affiliate stations last week in the Ioflowing areas: Binghamton, N. Y. "Tonight You Belong to Me,"

Patience and Prudence, Liberty. Indianapolis "Don't Be Cruel," Elvis Presley, Victor. Mankato, Minn. "Voices," Fontane Sisters, Dot. Harrisburg, Pa. "Wayward Wind," Gogi Grant, Era. Phoenix, Ariz, "I Almost Lost My Mind," Pat Boone, Dot. Chattanooga "Happiness Street," Georgia Gibbs, Mercury. Portland, Ore. "My Prayer," Platters, Mercury, Alexandria, La. "Canadian Sunset," Hugo Winterhalter, Victor. Chicago "Allegheny Moon," Patti Page,

Mercury.

9722

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PLATTER GIRLS: "Hype City," | and the new "Man From Mars" Cleveland, boasts one of the (answer to the "Flying Saucer") youngest women record promotion disk on Cosmic. . . . One of the "men" in the business. She's 21- best-known (and best-liked) fem year-old Robbie Buckley, an ex- promotion execs in the business is Canadian, who opened her own Jane Gibbs, who handles-among record promotion business in others-Liberty Records (Julie Lon-Cleveland a couple of years ago, don, et al.)... Veteran platter girl when she visited the city on be- Kappy Jordan (Patti Page, etc.) is half of the Crewcuts. Her clients also prominent in the field, along currently include the Diamonds, with Virginia Wicks (an ex-Goldthe Tracey Twins, Joanne Gilbert, wyn girl), who is active in all phases of the publicity world, as well as jockey promotion.

YESTERYEAR'S TOPS-The nation's top tunes on records as reported in The Billboard AUGUST 17, 1946 1. To Each His Own 2. The Gypsy 3. Doin' What Comes Natur'lly 4. Surrender 5. They Say It's Wonderful 6. I Don't Know Enough About You 7. I Got the Sun in the Morning 8. Prisoner of Love 9. All Through the Day 10. I Don't Know Why (I Just Do) 11. One More Tomorrow 12. South America, Take It Away 13. Five Minutes More 14. In Love in Vain 15. There's No One But You AUGUST 18, 1951 1. Come On-a-My House 2. Too Young 3. Sweet Violets 4. My Truly, Truly Fair 5. Because of You 6. Lovliest Night of the Year 7. Shanghai 8. Jezebel

RECORD HOPS: The most unusual record hop this month will be conducted by Norman Wain, WDOK, Cleveland, who is staging a disk dance this week (for the third year) at the Society for Crippled Children's summer camp in Strongsville, O. "I was aghast at the thought of a dance for crippled kids, at first," writes Wain, "but after my first dance I realized that the deepest desire of these poor kids is to be as close as possible to other normal youngsters in everything they do." I conduct their dance just like any other hop. I put on a good rock and roller, and they wheel each other out on the floor and make believe they're dancing by pushing their wheel chairs around, while those who can walk at at all make an attempt at dancing with one another or with a buddy in a chair. These kids have so much en-

thusiasm and heart it makes you ashamed that you ever complain about anything."

Another unusual record hop is staged by Jack Friel, WBTA, Batavia, N. Y., who has been holding outdoor record hops in the WBTA parking lot for the last two months. His "Park-O-Lots" draw between 300 and 400 people. Sponsor Coca-Cola helps by giving away free cokes during the evening.... George Patrick, KXEL, Waterloo, Ia., writes enthusiastically about two tcen-age record hops (records, plus some live music for dancing) conducted by himself and ballroom owner Bob Bender at the Electric Park Ballroom this summer. The first two dances (now weekly affairs), drew more than 800 people each. Teen-agers pay 50-cents admission, but parents are admitted free. Each youngster registers at the gategiving name of school, address and record preferences, from which Patrick programs his "Waterloo

Top 10" each week following the dance. Blue jeans, beards and smoking are taboo.

Also active in the record hop field this summer is "Slim Jim" Stevens, WLLH, Lowell, Mass., who reports: "Since we started operating 'properly supervised' record hops a few months ago, everything bad connected with the dances has vanished. Hats off to all the jockeys who continued to hold record hops despite the efforts of certain organizations to squash them. Every jockey who conducts a record hop on the up and up should be proud that he is doing a lot to curb what might be termed 'juvenile restlessness.'" ... In line with this, Jim Winters, WABI, Bangor, Me., "Yours truly emseed a rock and roll dance recently at which no one was hurt and everyone had a fine time. We are now formulating plans for another."



Springfield, Mo. 9. On Top of Old Smoky "I Wan You, I Need You, I Love 10. Mister and Mississippi You," Elvis Presley, Victor.



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FATS DOMINO 'SO LONG'

'When My Dreamboat Comes Home' =5396

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LESTER WILLIAMS

'MCDONALD'S DAUGHTER'

and

• Review Spotlight on . . .

RECORDS

BING CROSBY AND GRACE KELLY Capitol 3507 TRUE LOVE Buxton Hill, ASCAP) BING CROSBY AND FRANK SINATRA...... WELL DID YOU EVAN (Buxton Hill, ASCAP) Crosby, teaming with the Princess on one side and Sinatra on the other, comes up with two very strong sides-both from the sound track of "High Society." "True Love" offers the most impressive version of the tune to date. On the flip the two boys register with light entertaining stuff which is ideal deejay fodder. THE DIAMONDS.... Mercury 70934...... KA-DING-DONG (Greta, BMI) Group comes up with another strong two-faced cover. On "Ka-Ding-Dong" they turn in a sock rendition of this opus which is coming up on the r.&b. charts via the G-Clefs recording. A natural for the rock and roll crowd. On the latter tune, Eddie Heywood's instrumental is already on the charts and this, the first vocal version, should come in for attention. Diamonds give it a smooth, relaxed warbling. SAMMY DAVIS JR.... Decca 30034.....JUST ONE OF THOSE THINGS (Harms, Inc., ASCAP) Davis comes up with what could be his strongest disk in a long while-demonstrating his great versatility and showmanship. Imitations of Sinatra and Billy Daniels plus a little change in the lyrics here and there are gems. The flip, "Earthbound" (Robert Mellin, Inc., BMI), also appealing, should draw its share of attention. (Scope, BMI) This side aimed at the Dean cult, is a funeral, minor-key tome revering the late actor. "The little rebel heard his call," sings Russell, and the high sopranos in the background give it all an unearthly feel. Other indies have proved there's coin in this somewhat gerie movement and this disk should cash in. Flip is "I Walk in the

THE ANSWER TO THE FLYING SAUCER-U.F.O.... Cosmic 1002...(Cosmic, BMI) This side reverses the gimmick used on the "Flying Saucer" disks by having it originate from Mars with a Martian d.j. show interrupted by contacts made with the saucers that landed on earth. This should latch onto the "outer-space" trend and cash in. Flip is "Haunted Guitar" (Pincus, ASCAP).

NOVELTY

THE GOONS.... London 1684-A. . I'M WALKING BACKWARDS FOR CHRISTMAS Jockeys will get plenty of laughs from this side, a real crazy song,

'Daddy Loves You' ∓5402

A Solid Smash! The HONEY BEES 'ENDLESS'

and

'Let's See What's Happening' = 5400

Breaking Big! ERNIE FREEMAN 'SPRING FEVER' and 'WALKIN' THE BEAT' =5403

Imperial Records

done by a pair of English comics. At odd moments a band gets in which sounds like Ted Heath. The flip, "Blue Bottle Blues," is another crazy bit. "Christmas" is a big hit in England.

DISK JOCKEY PROGRAMMING

Future" (Scope, BMI).

BLUE STARS....Mercury 70924.....JUMPIN' AT THE WOODSIDE (Bregman, Vocco & Conn, ASCAP)

AMOUR, CASTAGNETTES ET TANGO.....(Frank, ASCAP) Group comes up with another smooth, sophisticated disk in a real swinging fashion which should be prime material for deejays. "Woodside" is chanted without words, while the other is "Hernando's Hideaway" sung in French, in a manner calculated to give this tune a new lease on life. Both sides ripe for spinning.

BILLY WILLIAMS Coral 61684...... THIS PLANET EARTH

down-to-earth "I Cuess I'll Have to Change My Plans," and registers.

• Reviews of New Pop Records

BATINGS-COMMERCIAL POTENTIAL

Each record review expresses the opinion of the members of The Billboard music staff. In determining the commercial rating, the following factors are considered: Interpretation, material, artist's name value, distribution power, exploitation potential. The same considerations are applied to records reviewed in the country and western, and rhytim and blues fields.

LEROY HOLMES

When the White Lilacs Bloom Again86 M-G-M 12317-Holmes joins others who have covered this tune featuring violin solo. Could go big and will be the recipient of many spins by jocks. (Harms, ASCAP)

The Last Wagon 75

Another film theme. This one is a slow moving, dolorous tune which tits the title. If the picture goes over, this will get sales and plays.

HELMUT ZACHARIAS

- Blue Blues....72

Okay listening on this side which also uses violin solo. Deejays can program. (Schaeffers, BMI)

- 90-100, Tops 80- 89, Excellent 70- 79, Good 60- 89, Satisfactory 50- 59, Limited
- 0- 49, Poor

FLORIAN ZaBACH

When the White Lilacs Bloom Again84 MERCURY 70936 - ZaBach is one of several who cut this German tune. This fine rendition should draw its share of sales. Solid material. (Harms, ASCAP) The Fiddler's Boogie.....69

This side could be used by deciays as a

fill-in but the other side is the one that'll sell the record. (Pickwick, ASCAP)

BILLY VAUGHN

When the White Lilacs Bloom Again84 DOT 15491-Vaughn's version of the much-recorded import stands a strong chance to cop a good slice of the action --if the number clicks. Harmonica is substituted for the fiddle here; otherwise, the arrangement is close to the original Zacharias version, and the other covers. (Harms, Inc., ASCAP)

- Spanish Diary 67
- Routine Spanish-style instrumental fills out the disk. (Randy-Smith, ASCAP)

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C&W Best Sellers in Stores

For survey week ending August 8

| RECORDS are ranked in order of their current national sellin retail level, as determined by The Billboard's weekly survey of nation with a high volume of sales in country and western reco- action is reported on both sides of a record, points combined to determine position on the chart. In suc- This case, both sides are listed in bold type, the lea- Week side on top. | f dealers thru rds. When sig are ch a | out the nificant Weeks OB |
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| 1. CRAZY ARMS (BMI)-R. Price | 1 | 11 |
| You Done Me Wrong (BMI)-Col 21510 | | 11 |
| · 2. I WALK THE LINE (BMI)-J. Cash Get Rhythm (BMI)-Sun 241 | | 11 |
| 3. 1 WANT YOU, I NEED YOU, I LOVE YOU () E. Presley | | 12 |
| MY BABY LEFT ME (BMI)-Vic 20-6546 | | 1.4 |
| 4. HOUND DOG (BMI)-E. Presley DON'I BE CRUEL (BMI)-Vic 20-6604 | 5 | 3 |
| 5. SEARCHING (BMI)-K. Wells I'd Rather Stay Home (BMI)-Dec 29956 | 4 | 7 |
| 6. BE-BOP-A-LULA (BMI)-G. Vincent Woman Love (BMI)-Cap 3450 | 6 | 7 |
| I TAKE THE CHANCE (BMI)-J. E. & M. Bro Goo Goo Dada (BMI)-Vic 20-6480 | own 6 | 11 |
| HEARTBREAK HOTEL (BMI)-E. Presley I WAS THE ONE (BMI)-Vic 20-6420 | 8 | 25 |
| 9. SWEET DREAMS (BMI)-F. Young Until I Met You (BMI)-Cap 3443 | 9 | 9 |
| 10. CONSCIENCE, I'M GUILTY (BMI)-H. Snow HULA ROCK (BMI)-Vic 20-6578 | 10 | 3 |
| 11. ANY OLD TIME (BMI)-W. Pierce We'll Find a Way (BMI)-Dec 29974 | – | 3 |
| 12. YOU AND ME (BMI)-R. Foley & K. Wells No One But You (BMI)-Dec 29740 | 11 | 30 |
| 13. YOU ARE THE ONE (BMI)-C. Smith Doorstep to Heaven (BMI)-Col 21522 | 13 | 4 |
| 14. BLACKBOARD OF MY HEART (BMI)- | 1015 | |
| H. Thompson | 12 | 20 |
| 15. MY LIPS ARE SEALED (BMI)-J. Reeves Pickin' a Chicken (BMI)-Vic 20-6517 | 15 | 2 |

Most Played C&W by Jockeys

For survey week ending August 8

| SIDES | are ranked in order of the greatest number of plays on disi | k locke | y radio |
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| | shows thruout the country according to The Billboard's weekly survey of top disk jockey shows in all key markets. | | Weeks |
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| 1. | CRAZY ARMS-R. Price | 1 | 13 |
|-----|---|-------------|----|
| 2. | I WALK THE LINE-J. Cash | 2 | 11 |
| | SWEET DREAMS-F. Young | 3 | 8 |
| 4. | SEARCHING-K. Wells | 5 | 6 |
| 5. | YOU ARE THE ONE-C. Smith | 4 | 7 |
| 6. | I WANT YOU, I NEED YOU, I LOVE YOU- E. Presley | 7 | 9 |
| 7. | I TAKE THE CHANCE-J. E. & M. Brown | 5 | 17 |
| 8. | ANY OLD TIME-W. Pierce | 8 | 5 |
| | BE-BOP-A-LULA-G. Vincent | | 4 |
| 10. | DON'T BE CRUEL-E. Presley | 1-1 | 1 |
| 11. | MY LIPS ARE SEALED-J. Reeves | 12 | 6 |
| 12. | I'M SO IN LOVE WITH YOU-Wilburn Brothers | 11 | 2 |
| 13. | HOUND DOG-E. Presley | 9 9 | 1 |
| 14. | TWENTY FEET OF MUDDY WATER-S. James | - | 4 |
| 15. | COME BACK TO ME-J. Newman | - | 2 |
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Most Played C&W in Juke Boxes

For survey week ending August 8

| | CORDS are ranked in order of the greatest number of plays in juke country, as determined by The Biliboard's weekly survey of oper- high proportion of country and western records. When | | |
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| | CRAZY ARMS (BMI)-R. Price | . 3 | 1 |
| 3. | SEARCHING (BMI)-K. Wells I'd Rather Stay Home (BMI)-Dec 29956 | . 4 | |
| 4. | I WANT YO'J, I NEED YOU, I LOVE YOU (BMI)- E. Presley. My Baby Left Me (BMI)-Vic 20-6540 | | 1: |
| 5. | BE-BOP-A-LULA (BMI)-G. Vincent | . 6 | : |
| | YOU ARE THE ONE (BMI)-C. Smith | | 3 |
| 7. | YOU GOTTA BE MY BABY (BMI)-G. Jones It's OK (BMI)-Starday 247 | . 8 | ; |
| 8. | ANY OLD TIME (BMI)-W. Pierce WE'LL FIND A WAY (BMI)-Dec 29974 | . 7 | : |
| 9. | DON'T BE CRUEL (BMI)-E. Presley HOUND DOG (BMI)-Vic 20-6604 | | 1 |
| 10. | I TAKE THE CHANCE (BMI)-J. E. & M. Brown. Goo Goo Dada (BMI)-Vic 20-6480 | . – | |

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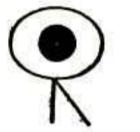
RED SOVINE

- DECCA 30018 - A strong weeper. Sovine sings the sad lyric in the traditional style with solid impact. Side will surely get strong exposure. (Cedarwood, BMI) My Little Rat.....83
- A bright novelty, with an attractive folk-flavored lyric. Sovine's performance is excellent. (Leeds, ASCAP)

TABBY WEST Oh! Mama

DECCA 30017-The thrush, one of the most promising c.&w. canaries around, sings in a most appealing





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fashion on a plaintive weeper with interesting lyrics. (Old Charter, BMI) Here's to Love 75

The gal hands a smart reading to an okay blues with a strong pop flavor. However, flip is better showcase for her thrushing style. Copar, BMI)

THE COLLINS KIDS

- COLUMBIA 21543-The Kids, Larry and Lorrie, harmonize on a very cute and lively offering. Good talent and material here, fine for country jocks, and should move in stores. (Showcase, BMI)
- I'm in My Teens.....73 Kids again come across well on this tune that they penned but it doesn't quite measure up to flip. Talent to

watch. (Binckwood, BMI)

GORDON TERRY

- COLUMBIA 21544-Here is a side that impresses, with Terry doing a fine job on his debut disk. Catchy material. (Driftwood, BMI) Maybe 72
- A weeper which is given effective treatment by artist. Should pull additional loot for the disk. (Cedarwood, BMD

RITA ROBBINS

- VICTOR 6612-"They call it a teenage crush," the gal protests. The tune is on a "Too Young" kick and the reading is warm and appealing. (Century, BMI)
- Soulfully sincere, Miss Robbins dedian "E" for effort. (Tannen, BMI)

LATTIE MOORE

KING 4955-Moore sells a sock blues weeper with plaintive sincerity and strong emotional impact. (Mar-Kay, BMI)

100,000 Women

Can't Be Wrong 70 An amusing novelty with a deft, catchy tempo about a boastful gent who tells his gal she doesn't know what she's missing. Good vocal performance by Moore. (Mar-Kay, BMI)

DAVID HOUSTON

VICTOR 6611-Sincere warbling by Houston on a leisurely-paced melodic

• (&W Territorial **Best Sellers**

For survey week ending August 8

City-by-city listings are based on late reports secured from top country and western dealers and juke box operators in each of the markets listed.

Birmingham

1. Crazy Arms, R. Price, Col. 2. Don't Be Cruel, E. Presley, Vic. 3. My Lips Are Scaled, J. Reeves, Vic. 4. Hound Dog, E. Presley, Vic. 5. Searching, K. Wells, Dec. 6. Heartbreak Hotel, E. Presley, Vic.

Charlotte

- 1. I Walk the Line, J. Cash, Sun.
- 2. Crazy Arms, R. Price, Col.
- 3. I Want You, I Need You, I Love You E. Presley, Vic.
- 4. I Take the Chance
- J. E. & M. Brown, Vic.
- 5. Searching, K. Wells, Dec.
- 6. Doorstep to Heaven, C. Smith, Col.
- 7. Sweet Dreams, F. Young, Cap.
- 8. Hound Dog. E. Presley, Vic. 9. Wayward Wind, T. Ritter, Cap.

Dallas-Fort Worth

- 1. Crazy Arms, R. Price, Col.
- Hound Dog, E. Presley, Vic.
- 3. I Wa'k the Line, J. Cash, Sun.
- 4. Don't Be Cruel, E. Presley, Vic.
- 5. Ooby Dooby, R. Orbison, Sun.
- 6. Boppin' the Blues, C. Perkins, Sun.
- 7. I Want You, I Need You, I Love You
- E. Presley, Vic.
- 8. Honky Tonk Man, J. Horton, Col.

Houston

- 1. Don't Be Cruel, E. Presley, Vic.
- 2. Hound Dog. E. Presley, Vic.
- 3. You Gotta Be My Baby, G. Jones, Sdy.
- 4. Crazy Arms, R. Price, Col.
- 5. Be-Bop-a-Lula, G. Vincent, Cap.
- 6. I Walk the Line, J. Cash, Sun. 7. You Are the One, C. Smith, Col.
- 8. Honky Tonk Man, J. Horton, Col.

Memphis

- 1. Crazy Arms, R. Price, Col.
- 2. I Walk the Line, J. Cash, Sun,
- 3. Searching, K. Wells, Dec. 4. Conscience, I'm Guilty, H. Snow, Vic.
- 5. I Take the Chance
- J. E. & M. Jrown, Vic.
- 6. Any Old Time, W. Pierce, Dec. 7. Be-Bop-a-Lula, G. Vincent, Cap.
- 8. Boppin' the Blues, C. Perkins, Sun.

This Week's C&W Best Buys

TRYIN' TO FORGET THE BLUES (Showcase, BMI)-Porter Wagoner -RCA Victor 6598-One of this month's more impressive sellers, this Wagoner disk is now shaping up as another hit for the singer. Southern reports (Richmond, Durham, Atlanta, Nashville and Dallas) were excellent, and a number of important Northern markets also indicated above-average acceptance. Flip is "I've Known You From Somewhere" (Earl Barton, BMI).

• Review Spotlight on . . . RECORDS

MARTY ROBBINS

- Singing the Blues (Acuff-Rose, BMI)
- I Can't Quite (Acuff-Rose, BMI)-Columbia 21545-Robbins, comes up with two strong sides in which he returns to a near-traditional style of warbling. Material is effective, with "Singing the Blues" a shade over the flip. Should rack up the sales and grab its share of spins.

DISK JOCKEY PROGRAMMING

JIM REEVES AND CAROL JOHNSON

The Mother of a Honky Tonk Girl (Tannen, BMI)-RCA Victor 6620-Carl Johnson takes the part of the mother, with Reeves acting as the philosophical bartender, butting in with pertinent advice, in this melodramatic tear jerker. Reeves is on the charts with his "My Lips Are Sealed" and this side should be a strong follow-up. On the flip, "According to My Heart" (Cedarwood, BMI). Reeves takes it alone.

FOLK TALENT & TUNES

By BILL SACHS -

Around the Horn

Ray Price, recent winner of The Billboard's Triple-Crown Award (The Billboard, August 11) for his highly popular disk "Crazy Arms," on the Columbia label, was awarded the Triple-Crown plaque on the Prince Albert portion of "Grand Ole Opry" last Saturday (18) night. Show is aired over the NBC radio network via Station WSM, Nashville. This is Price's first Triple Crown. In the July 28 issue of The Billboard, Price's "Crazy Arms" hit the top position on all three country and western charts (Best Sellers in Stores, Most Played in Juke Boxes and Most Played by Jockeys.)

their capers to the tunes of fiddlin' Tommy Jackson.

Hank Snow and his group hop down to Orlando, Fla., August 21, to gather with Happy Ison and the gang. On August 22, the Snow entourage visits with Cracker Jim Brooker in Miami, and August 23-24 mingles with the boys in Jacksonville, Fla. During their recent vacation jaunt in Canada, Hank, Min and Jimmy Snow were guests at a party hosted by members of the Canadian branch of RCA Victor. . . . Andy Williams was a recent guest on the "Tennessee Barn Dance" on WNOX and the Cas Walker show on WIVK, both in Knoxville.

- Why Don't You Be Good?.....71 cates herself to the cur with this series of promises. Material doesn't sound too strong, but the gal rates

ballad with an attractive Latin-American rhythm - flavor. (Trinity, BMI)

Sugar Sweet....71

A solid reading on a brisk rhythm and blues styled country ditty with a strong beat. (Arc. BMI)

- DEL WOOD
- VICTOR 6613-The original "Down Yonder" gal li.ks her individually styled eighty-eighting to the solid old, old standard. Plenty of bright rickeytick sound which is great for juke programming. (Witmark, ASCAP)
- Intermission at the Opry 70 Same style, different tune, but overall effect is same-which is to advise country ops to get it on the boxes. (Tree, BMI)

THE HAYSEEDERS

- CORONATION 102-Side starts with vocalist laughing and then goes into the lyrics which, because of the subject matter-liquor - makes deejay play doubtful. Could go in stores and in the boxes. (Stafford, BMI) Empty Words and Broken Dreams....68 Fair side with instrumental solo that
- really jumps. Vocalist carries load on both sides. Flip preferred. (Stafford, BMD

JIMMY COOK

- JOPZ 201-Cook sings a pleasant little hybrid of country and Hawaiian rhythms as he sings about that happy honeymoon. Tune has a very reminiscent quality and might pull some juke box coin. (Frederick, BMI) Two Black Eyes....67
- He doesn't know what happened but he has a couple of shiners to show for an evening with the lady. Humorous country fare but the flip has more appeal. (Frederick, BMI)

FLOYD CRAMER

M-G-M 12306-Sprightly paced, happy instrumental wax with standout piano solo work by Cramer. Fine juke fodder. (Acuff-Rose, BMI) Good Time Cake Walk 69 Same comment. (Milene, ASCAP)

WILEY BARKDULL

- I've Got a Brand New Baby69 HICKORY 1052 - This one has a tricky and somewhat complicated rhythm and Barkdull gets in an inspired mood as he sings the praises of a new lady friend. (Acuff-Rose, BMI)
- Going Walking 68
- Barkdull displays a solidly nasal style and an extremely deep vocal range in this pleader. Talent rates another look but this material isn't the strongest. (Acuff-Rose, BMI)

Nashville

- 1. Crazy Arms, R. Price, Col.
- 2. I Walk the Line, J. Cash, Sun. 3. Don't Be Cruel, E. Presley, Vic.
- 4. I'm So in Love With You
- Wilburn Brothers, Dec.
- 5. I' Take the Chance
- J. E. & M. Brown, Vic.
- 6. My Lips Are Sealed, J. Recves, Vic.
- 7. Conscience, I'm Guilty, H. Snow, Vic.
- 8. I Want You, I Need You, I Love You
- E. Presley, Vic. 9. Be-Bop-a-Lula, G. Vincent, Cap.
- 10. Fool; S. Clark, Dot.

New Orleans

- 1. Searching, K. Wells, Dec.
- 2. I Walk the Line, J. Cash, Sun. 3. Any Old Time, W. Pierce, Dec.
- 4. Be-Bop-a-Lula, G. Vincent, Cap.
- 5. Crazy Arms, R. Price, Col.

Richmond, Va.

- 1. I Walk the Line, J. Cash, Sun. 2. Hound Dog, E. Presley, Vic.
- 3. Crazy Arms, R. Price, Col.
- 4. I Want You, I Need You, I Love You
- E. Presley, Vic.
- 5. Searching, K. Wells, Dec.
- 6. Onie's Bop, O. Wheeler, Col.
- 7. Twenty Feet of Muddy Water S. James, Cap.

St. Louis

- 1. Hound Dog, E. Presley, Vic. 2. I Want You, I Need You, I Love You E. Presley, Vic.
- 3. Crazy Arms, R. Price, Col.
- 4. I Walk the Line, J. Cash, Sun. 5. Be-Bop-a-Lula, G. Vincent, Cap.
- 6. Searching, K. Wells, Dec.
- 7. Heartbreak Hotel, E. Presley, Vic.

CATHY ALLEN

- M-G-M 12310-Personable piping on an attractive rhythm-ballad with effective lyrics, (Trinity, BMI) Come On and Kiss Me....67
- A sexy reading of a sensuous ballad in exotic tango-tempo. (Triaity, BMf)

LEE GOLDEN

- Fire in My Heart65 **BALLAD 1011-Tricky rhythms from** Trio Tres Bien backs the effort which tells about that gypsy love. Golden has touches of the Billy Eckstine quality. (Soli, BMI)
- Saint Louis Bounce....63 Golden tells in the tune how they do this particular type of dance. Dreary listening. (Soll, BMI)

OWEN PRIESTER

- CORBIN 734-Vocalist doesn't come up to par and side drags. A monotonous weeper.
- If Kisses Could Talk 60 On this side we have a fair song with a too-long instrumental break. Doesn't impress.

Ben A. Green, copy desk chief on The Nashville Banner, Nashville, continues with his bang-up series on "Grand Ole Opry" folk Street, Nashville. . . . Tom Kelly, which runs each Saturday in the Banner. His intimate, accurate and Hawkins and Jean Shepard, is redetailed pieces on the folk who make up the "Opry" have been drawing nationwide attention, especially in the country field. His July 28 article was wrapped around many years and who is currently the veteran "Opry" comic, Rod Brasfield, and the yarn in the issue of August 4 dealt with the happiness experienced by Martha Carson, "Opry" star, and her manager-husband, X. Cosse, on the recent birth of their son, Rene Paul. Green's pieces are the greatest single bit of publicity tendered the "Opry' in its 30-year history and are carded to continue indefinitely.

Sheriff Tex Davis has taken a leave of absence from Station WCMS, Norfolk, Va., to take over the personal management of Gene Vincent and the Blue Caps (Capitol) on a fulltime basis. Vincent's "Be-Bopa-Lula," published by Bill Lowery, Atlanta, is riding high on the pop charts these days. Davis' new mailing address is P. O. Box 533, Norfolk.

"Grand Ole Opry," for its August 18 telecast over the ABC-TV network, will feature such names as Hank Snow, Jimmy Dickens, June Carter, Johnny Cash, Flatt and Scruggs, Ray Price and the LaDell Sisters. Special guest will be Eddy Arnold, who will bring along the Collins Kids for a return visit. Also on deck will be the Kentucky Senior Briarhoppers, who will cut

Charlie Lamb Agency this week moves into new offices in the Vendome Building on Church personel manager of Hawkshaw ported to have his charges booked solidly on personals thru October. Tom is the son of John Kelly, who has promoted country talent for handling management for Judy Lynn and the "Grand Ole Opry's" Lonzo and Oscar.

Hal Smith has just signed Jimmy Newman to an artistmanagement contract and closed a deal to have Newman appear on "Grand Ole Opry" as a regular. Jimmy made his "Opry" debut August 4 together with George Jones. Smith will continue to handle the personal management on Carl Smith, but will run Newman thru his artist agency, **Curtis Artist Productions. He** plans to sign other talent in the near future. Newman, whose newest release on the Dot label is "Come Back to Me," is currently working on films in Nashville for Al Gannaway and is carded to hit the road within two weeks.

Smiley Burnette is set for next Sunday (19) at the fair at Culberson, Neb., and follows with other fair dates for the remainder of August as follows: West Union, Ia., 21; Albion, Neb., 23; Monticello, Ia., 24; McCollensburg, Pa., 25, and Bloomfield, Neb., 28. Bob Neal, of Stars, Inc., Memphis, reports that the original four-week tour scheduled for Johnny Cash, (Continued on page 70)



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| 1. | FEVER-Little Willie John | 1 | 14 |
| 2. | MY PRAYER-Platters | 3 | (|
| 3. | TREASURE OF LOVE-C, McPhatter | 9 | 11 |
| 4. | I'M IN LOVE AGAIN-F. Domino | 2 | 18 |
| 5. | LOVE, LOVE, LOVE-Clovers | 11 | \$ |
| | HOUND DOG-E. Presley | 14 | 5 |
| 7. | SO-LONG-F. Domino | - | 1000 |
| 8. | WHEN MY DREAMBOAT COMES HOME- F. Domino Imperial 5386-ASCAP | | |
| 9. | STRANDED IN THE JUNGLE-Cadets | 5 | 100 |
| 10. | LET THE GOOD TIMES ROLL-Shirley & Lee | 8 | 8 |
| | FLYING SAUCER-Buchanan & Goodman | | 10001 |
| | IT'S TOO LATE-C. Willis | | Ì |
| | RIP IT UP-Little Richard | | 1 |
| | MY BLUE HEAVEN-F. Domino | | 1 |
| 15. | TIME WILL TELL-B. Charles | - | |
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| This Week | on both sides of a record, points are combined to de- termine position on the chart. In such a case, both sides are listed in bold type, the leading side on top. | Last Week | Weeks on Chart |
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| 1. | MY PRAYER (ASCAP)-Platters | . 2 | 4 |
| . 2. | I'M IN LOVE AGAIN (BMI)-F. Domino MY BLUE HEAVEN (ASCAP)-Imperial 5386 | . 1 | 16 |
| 3. | FEVER (BMI)-Little Willie John | . 4 | 11 |
| 4. | WHEN MY DREAMBOAT COMES HOME (ASCAP)-F. Domino SO-LONG (BMI)-Imperial 5396 | . 6 | 2 |
| 5. | STRANDED IN THE JUNGLE (BMI)-Cadets I Want You (BMI)-Modern 994 | . 7 | 4 |
| 6. | TREASURE OF LOVE (BMI)-C. McPhatter When You're Sincere (BMI)-Atlantic 1092 | . 5 | 11 |
| 7. | RIP IT UP (BMI)-Little Richard | . 3 | - 7 |
| 8. | I WANT YOU, I NEED YOU, I LOVE YOU (BMI)- E. Presley. My Baby Left Me (BMI)-Vic 20-6540 | | 10 |
| 9. | WHO CAN EXPLAIN? (ASCAP)-Teen-Agers I PROMISE TO REMEMBER (BMI)-Gee 1018 | • = | |



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"TAIN'T WHATCHA SAY" LITTLE ESTHER_#1193

"LOVE, BABY" NAPPY BROWN-#1196

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The Billboard's Music Popularity Charts . . . RHYTHM & BLUES RECORDS

AUGUST 18, 1956

• R&B Territorial Best Sellers

For survey week ending August 8

Listings are based on late sales reports secured via Western Union messenger service from top rhythm and blues dealers and juke box operators in the markets listed.

Atlanta

- 1. Rip It Up, Little Richard, Spe. 2. Fever, L. W. John, Kng. 3. Stranded in the Jungle, Cadets, Mod. 4. It's Too Late, C. Willis, Atl. 5. Let the Good Times Roll Shirley & Lee, Ala. 6. I Have You, Baby, J. Reed, VJ 7. Love, Love, Love, Clovers, Atl. 8. Diamonds at My Feet, M. Waters, Chs. 9. I Promise to Reemember Teen-Agers, Gee
- 10. Bad Luck, B. B. King, RPM

Charlotte 1. Let the Good Times Roll Shirley & Lee, Ala.



- 3. It's Too Late, C. Willis, Atl. 4. Flying Saucer Buchanan & Goodman, Lun. 5. Love, Love, Love, Clovers, Atl. 6. Don't Be Cruel, E. Presley, Vic. 7. Heaven on Earth, Platters, Mer. 8. Time Will Tell, B. Charles, Chs. 9. When My Dreamboat Comes Home
 - F. Domino, Imp.
 - 10. Up On a Mountain, Magnificents, VJ

Chicago

1. I'm in Love Again, F. Domino, Imp.

Cincinnati

- 2. My Prayer, Platters, Mer. 3. Hound Dog, E. Presley, Vic.
- 4. Be-Bop-a-Lula, G. Vincent, Cap.
- 5. Rip It Up, Little Richard, Spe.
- 6. I Promise to Remember Teen-Agers, Gee.

- 1. Honky Tunk, B. Doggett, Kng.
- 2. My Prayer, Platters, Mer.
- 3. I Promise to Remember
- Teen Agers, Gee.
- 4. Rip It Up, Little Richard, Spe.
- 5. Fever, L. W. John, Kng. 6. Up on a Mountain, Magnificents, VJ.

Detroit

- 1. Honky Tonk, B. Doggett, Kng.
- 2. Pleadin' for Love, L. Birdsong, Exc.
- 3. Don't 'et It End This Way
- E. Morris, Pea. 4. Flying Saucer
 - Buchanan & Goodman, Lun,
- 5. Soft Summer Breeze, E. Heywood, Mer.
- 6. Don't Go No Further, M. Wäters, Chs.
- 7. Sweet Little Angel, B. B. King, RPM.
 - Los Angeles
- 1. Flying Saucer Buchanan & Goodman, Lun,
- 2. Honky Tonk, B. Doggett, Kng.
- 3 Hum De Dum, Gassers, Cas. 4. I Want You, I Need You, I Love You
- E. Presley, Vic. 5. My Prayer, Platters, Mer.
- 6. I'm in Love Again, F. Domino, Imp.
- 7. Rip It Up, Little Richard, Spe.
- 8. Fever, L. W. John, Kng.
- 9. Bad Luck, B. B. King, RPM.
- 10. Heartbreak Hotel, E. Presley, Vic.
- New Orleans 1. Let the Good Times Roll
- Shirley & Lee, Ala.

2. Rip It Up, Little Richard, Spe. 3. It's Too Late, C. Willis, Atl. 4. My Prayer, Platters, Mer. 5. So-Long, F. Domino, Imp. 6. When My Dreamboat Comes Home F. Domino, Imp. 7. Honky Tonk, B. Doggett, Kng. 8. Time Will Tell, B. Charles, Chs. 9. Casual Look, Six Teens, Fip. 10. Treasure of Love, C. McPhatter, Atl. 2. Stranded in the Jungle, Cadets, Mod.

New York

- 1. Fever, L. W. John, Kng.
- 2. My Prayer, Platters, Mer.
- 3. I Promise to Remember
- Teen Agers, Gee. 4. Flying Saucer
- Buchanan & Goodman, Lun,
- 5. In the Still of the Night
- Satins, Her.
- 6. Please, Please, Please J. Brown, Fed.
- 7. Candy, Big Maybelle, Sav.
- 8. Casual Look, Six Teens, Flp.
- 9. Rip It Up, Little Richard, Spe.

Philadelphia

- 1. Fever, L. W. John, Kng.
- 2. Canadian Sunset H. Winterhalter-E. Heywood, Vic.
- 3. Honky Tonk, B. Doggett, Kng.
- 4. It's Too Late, C. Willis, Atl.
- 5. My Prayer, Flatters, Mer.
- 6. I Promise to Remember
- Teen Agers, Gee.
- 7. Rip It Up, Little Richard, Spe.
- 8. Hallelujah, I Love Her So R. Charles, Atl.

- St. Louis 1. Pleadin' for Love, L. Birdsong, Exc. 2. Bad Luck, B. B. King, RPM. 3. My Prayer, Platters, Mer. 4. Stranded in the Jungle, Cadets, Mod. 5. Rip It Up, Little Richard, Spe. 6. I'm Tore Up I. Turner & B. Gayles, Fed. 7. Canadian Sunset H. Winterhalter-E. Heywood, Vic.
- 8. When My Dreamboat Comes Home
- F. Domino, Imp. 9. Fever, L. W. John, Kng.

Washington, D. C.

- 1. Let the Good Times Roll Shirley & Lee, Ala. 2. Flying Saucer
- Buchanan & Goodman, Lun.
- 3. My Prayer, Platters, Mer.
- 4. Hound Dog, E. Presley, Vic.
- 5. Rip It Up, Little Richard, Sps. 6. Fever, L. W. John, Kng.
- 7. Honky Tonk, B. Doggett, Kng.
- 8. So-Long, F. Domino, Imp.
- 9. Stranded in the Jungle, Jayhawks. Fsh. 10. Treasure of Love, C. McPhatter, Atl.

- This Week's R&B Best Buys
- BAD LUCK (Modern, BMI)-B. B. King-RPM 468-The artist has one of his fastest moving records in some time here. This week it is listed as one of the top 10 sellers in Atlanta, St. Louis and Los Angeles. "Bad Luck" is also doing well in Detroit, Cleveland, Baltimore and Philadelphia. Some cities indicated that the flip, "Sweet Little Angel" (Modern, BMI) was also stimulating action. A previous Billboard "Spotlight" pick.

SOLDIER OF FORTUNE (Wemar-Progressive, BMI)

- I GOTTA GET MYSELF A WOMAN (Progressive, BMI)-The Drifters -Atlantic 1101-It never takes this group long to entrench itself. These past two weeks saw the Drifters' latest effort take off in New England, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Pittsburgh, Detroit, St. Louis and Durham. Preference for side is somewhat divided, with both accounting for a lot of sales. A previous Billboard "Spotlight" pick.
- I LOVE YOU, BABY (Conrad, BMI)-Jimmy Reed-V-J 203-As usual, Reed's great Southern following is giving his new record an enthusiastic send-off. This week it appears on the Atlanta territorial chart, and is also rated a strong seller in Durham, Birmingham, New Orleans and Memphis. Other cities that are beginning to take to it include Chicago, Detroit and Baltimore. The flip, "My First Plea" (Conrad, BMI) is also a strong coin-grabber.
- Review Spotlight on . . . **R&B** RECORDS

IAMES BROWN

Hold My Baby's Hand (Armo, BMI)-Federal 12277-Brown, who has been riding the charts for some time with "Please, Please, Please," has another good bet in this gospel-styled shout. The Ray Charles influence is strong here and the tune registers with Brown's sock vitality. Flip is "No, No, No, No," an ordinary blues side. (Armo, BMI)

DISK JOCKEY PROGRAMMING

ERNIE FREEMAN

Walking the Beat (Reeve, BMI)-Imperial 5403-R.&b. deejays should go for this side in a big way. Freeman really comes across in a relaxed fashion giving the tune a sort of hypnotic quality as did his previous disks, all of which met with high favor. The steady, persistent beat is irresistible. Flip is "Spring Fever" (Reeve, BMI).

- IN LAST WEEK'S REVIEW OF THE TIBBS BROTHERS
 - I'm Going Crazy (Progressive, BMI)

(Wake Up) Miss Van Winkle (Progressive, BMI)-The label and number were omitted thru an error. It should have read Atco 6074.



OUTDOOR

AUGUST 18, 1956

Communications to 188 W. Randolph St., Chicago 1, Ill.

THE BILLBOARD

IT'S OFFICIAL: PRESIDENT SIGNS 51-90c TAX RELIEF

NEW YORK--The vital tax cut measure, which meant a loss of \$60,000,000 annually to the Treasury Department but which was a life or death issue to many showbusiness people, was finally okayed on Monday (6).

With the signature of President Eisenhower, there was removed the 10 per cent federal excise tax on admissions costing 90 cents or less. In recent years the tax exemption was cut out on tickets of 50 cents or less; now the exemption was upped to 90 cents.

Altho the measure was designed primarily as an aid to 10,000 of the nation's 19,999 movie theaters, there are a great number of outdoor show efforts whose ticket prices range in the 51-90-cent area and who will save the bite of from a nickel to 9 cents on a ticket.

The exemption goes into effect September 1 and will immediately benefit many arena and outdoor grandstand shows, plus under-canvas transient business like circuses, which normally have a goodly percentage of their admissions priced in the effected range. Roller and ice rink operators, pool admissions and minstrel shows are also free of the 10 per cent yoke.

Dallas Fair Mulls Monorail Addition

DALLAS --- Negotiations are | A short pilot line built in Housunder way between the State Fair ton has been operated as a demonof Texas and Monorail, Inc., of strator since February of this year, Houston for the installation of a Monorail transportation system at Fair of Texas would serve both State Fair Park in time for the as an exhibit, showing the latest 1956 fair, October 6-21.

and other problems can be solved cession ride and means of transso that the line can be completed portation. before the fair opens, then the final arrangements are expected to

The Monorail system at the State developments in modern express If it appears that engineering transportation, and also as a con-

4,000-Foot Line

be made sometime in the next few 4,000 feet long, extending between

EMPHASIS ON HERTER VISIT AT MARSHFIELD

MARSHFIELD, Mass. ---Political fortune smiled this week on the Marshfield Fair, which had slated a political rally some time ago for Tuesday night (7), with Gov. Christian A. Herter and other State officials programmed for five-minute speeches. With last week's furor over the suggestion that Herter be nominated for the Vice-Presidency, the development focused increased attention on his appearance at the fair.

Tennant Takes Exec Position At-Dallas Fair

DALLAS --- Fred Tennant last week consented to take over super- credited. The fair booked in the vision of midway concessions and Mariners to supplement the revue, shows at the State Fair of Texas hiked its advertising budget and following the death of S. Bowen gave emphasis in its advertising to Cox, veteran chief clerk of the big the Mariners and also to the Harannual. Cox, who had been with monicats, who were features. the fair since 1927, died Friday (3) Entrance to the grandsland was

tain.)

at the age of 76. (See Final Cur- cleared of concession stands and - the ticket windows and the area

Auditorium Execs The line would be approximately Convene at El Paso

Ionia, Mich., Gets **Record Midway Biz**

Cetlin & Wilson Eclipses 1955 High; **Evening Grandstand Patronage Is Up**

IONIA, Mich.--The Ionia Free near it were used for the display Fair here closed its six-day run of banners and cut-outs as well as Saturday night (11) with a new all- pictures of the grandstand attractime midway gross, according to tions. Fireworks by Hudson Fire-Rose Sarlow, fair secretary. Final works Company, Hudson O., were figures were lacking, but the in- an added nightly feature. crease was estimated at from 5 to 10 per cent.

The Cetlin & Wilson Shows eclipsed the previous high set last year in notching up the new peak total.

Except for rain closing day the fair was given generally good weather.

Patrouage for the night grandstand show-the Barnes-Carruthers No. 1 Revue-was up substantially from last year. Several factors were

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Except for Gene Holter's Animal Show, in opening day, and auto races, staged by Chet Mysilwiec the closing two days, other afternoon grandstand turnouts were light for harness horse races.

Holter accounted for a bigger opening day turnout than a thrill show presented on the opening day last year.

CONSOLIDATION Lew Grade **Moves** Into GAC-H Home

NEW YORK -- Consolidation of the GAC-Hamid forces was consummated Monday (6) when personnel from the Lew & Leslie Grade Ltd. booking organization,

days.

first operating commercial mono- on the rear of the park. In addition rail line in this country. Monorail to the terminal points, one loadis a means of express transporta- ing platform is tentatively planned tion. It utilizes a 60-foot fiber- near the main entrance to the Cotglass coach suspended from an ton Bowl Stadium, A nominal fare overhead rail supported by towers would be charged riders. spaced approximately 100 feet apart.

a point at the front of the fair-The installation would be the grounds and the main parking lot

> Plans for the installation have (Continued on page 77)

Driving Ranges Make Cash Registers Spin

Continued from page 1

\$10,000.

trons at one time should measure little ball down the fairway. not less than 200 yards in width and 300 yards in depth, according to a study made by the National Golf Foundation. A smaller area could be used but would require additional fencing to deflect wild shots from straying beyond the boundaries of the property.

Since the first public range was opened over 30 years ago, mechanization has been introduced to the business. The modern range now retrieves its balls by machine and washes them in another device. At many locations the balls are teed up automatically or by means of a foot lever.

Another major improvement over the early ranges is the introduction of sheltered and enclosed tees that enable the operator to keep open during any kind of weather. Walled-off cubicles, where the neophyte golfer may practice without an audience, also have been helpful in drawing customers who also pay for lessons.

Today's range operator is becoming more promotion-minded, too. In addition to regular newspaper, radio and TV advertising, he's turning to gimmicks. Many

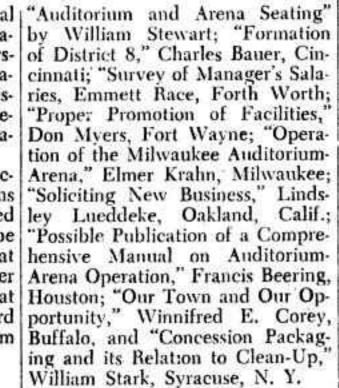
building desired. It's estimated | hold driving contests with prizes; that a 25-tee range, irrespective of others bring in name golf pros for land or buildings, can be con- exhibitions. Queen contests and structed for somewhat under golf clinics are another means of inducing more golfers to shell out Des Moines, Ia., auditorium; "The A range accommodating 35 pa- for the privilege of smacking that New York Coliseum" by its expo-

EL PASO, Tex. --- International ["Auditorium and Arena Seating" Association of Auditorium Mana- by William Stewart; "Formation gers' convention session here Thurs- of District 8," Charles Bauer, Cinday thru Saturday (16-18) will feature a dozen topics for open discussions and 11 papers to be presented by members of the association.

Charles McElravy, executive secretary of the IAAM, detailed plans for the sessions. He also pointed ley Lueddeke, Oakland, Calif.; out that district meetings will be held on Wednesday (15) and that convention activities may lap over into Sunday (19). He noted that the convention would be hard pressed to get all of its program into the scheduled time.

Program Speakers Named

Scheduled papers and the managers who will present them are: "Philosophy of Auditorium Functions" by Horace Strong of the sition manager, James Walsh;



Among the subjects which will be opened for discussion by the full convention will be:

How to handle a first aid department; relative value of IAAM membership; free police protection; insurance liability; possibility of cooperation among convention bureaus; new promotions; financing of shows; new appliances for buildings; labor situations; rental charges for use of air conditioning equipment; wrestling and boxing; rental rate standards, and stafistical surveys on auditoriumarena operations.

The IAAM is expecting a large turnout at the El Paso meeting. Well above 100 persons had made advance reservations. The convention is to be at the Hotel Paso Del Norte. Entertainment events will follow daily business sessions.

N. Y. State Posts 111G SYRACUSE --- The 1956 New

York State Fair has posted a total Ross, and Les Bons. premium list of over \$111,000, approximately \$8,000 over last year, regulars from the CBS television William F. Baker, fair director, annonnced last week.

Top department is cattle, which Dan Lowrey, strong man. has premiums of \$25,745; youth \$11,766.50.

newly merged with GAC-Hamid, moved into the new main office covering an entire floor at 640 Fifth Avenue.

Making the move were Eddie Elkort and Hans Lederer and their assistants. At the same time, Elkan Kaufman, West Coast representative of Grade, moved into the Beverly Hills office of GAC.

The Grade office in England, it was announced, will represent GAC-Hamid in Europe as part of the arrangement.

Package unit offerings for fairs Arena Operation," Francis Beering, have gotten off to an auspicious start, loe Higgins reported, with the Rock and Roll, Midwestern Buffalo, and "Concession Packag- Hayride and TV Discoveries all doing well. The country unit was offered free on five nights at the fair in Middletown, N. Y., and on the one pay night, Wednesday (8), two night shows were required to handle crowds for the TV Discoveries. Other successes were scored at fairs in Whitney Point and Canandaigua, N. Y.

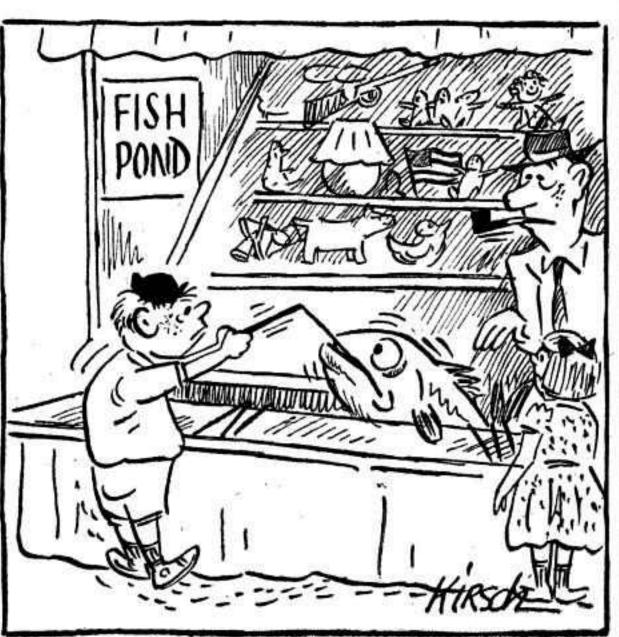
> List Talent For Ky. Fair **Circus Show**

HUNTINGTON, W. Va.--- J. T. (Jimmy) Hetzer, head of the agency bearing his name, last week announced signing of acts for the Big Top Circus that will be one of the features of this year's Kentucky State Fair, Louisville.

Hetzer, in association with Leo Grunds, has signed Larry Ruhl and Sandy Winters, trapeze; Tom Packs Elephants: Flying Deislers: Flying Malkos; Theron's Cyclorama, cyclists; Fortseitz-Mendez, high-> wire; Noble Trio; Al and Lou

The acts will be in addition to circus, including Jack Sterling, ringmaster; Joe Basile, band leader, and

Show will be offered in the fair's department, \$19,550, and poultry, new 22,750-seat Stadium, with two-a-day September 7-8.

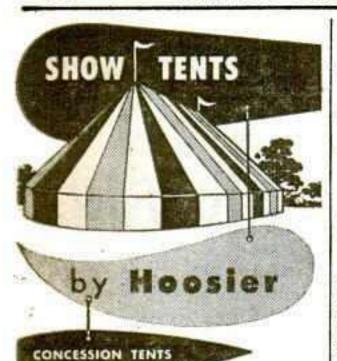




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Spokane Rodeo Sets Records; Autry Acts In

SPOKANE --- "Diamond Spur" rodeo at Spokane's Memorial Stadium August 2-4 drew a record 44,000 attendance in four performances.

The Wednesday opening night show was canceled because of rain and rescheduled as a Saturday matinee which attracted 12,000. The final Saturday performance drew a record single rodeo crowd of 13,000.

Gene Autry and Gail (Annie Oakley) Davis headlined special acts and visited children's hospitals. Specialty acts included the Cass County Boys; J. W. Stoker, black light trick roper, and rodeo clowns Wiley McCray and Billy Keen.

Bill Linderman, Walla Walla, Wash., president of the Rodeo Cowboys' Association, won allround champion honors by taking first in bareback bronk riding and of one of its trotting races." steer wrestling and second in sadof \$1,246 and three pairs of diamond-studded spurs. Spokane Rodeo, Inc., A. H. Bowles, president, was sponsor.

Ring Goes South

WORLD'S FASTEST THRILL RIDE

COAL CITY, Ill .--- Ring Bros. Circus, fleeing poor business in resort areas of Wisconsin, played thru this territory last week. It was making a series of stands and jumps that soon would have it in Southern Indiana.

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Business People Speak Up

area some 100,000 people.

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"As for the hotel, it is the best

tion a place to compete.

taurant do a fine business.

WHAT does a fair mean to a community? Consider the Northern Wisconsin District Fair and its home city, Chippewa Falls. The fair each year pulls about 125,000 persons, both free or paid, according to Archie Putnam, its able, likable secretary.

Yet, Chippewa's population is less than 12,000, that of its county 42,000 and of its 45-mile trading

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PUTNAM

"I'm all for the fair. That's why the hotel sponsors a \$600 purse

Bob Roehrich, manager of the J. C. Penney Store in Chippewa dle bronk riding. He won a total Falls for 23 years, views the fair with the experience of those years.

Clear Out Merchandise

aftermath of the fair.

"Without it, we would have no major event to bring people to Chippewa Falls. It puts the city before the eves of all Northern Wisconsin.

"At the store here we benefit. Because of the fair, we always hold off our 'Back to School' sale until it is over as we have come to regard fair week as a week for clearing our summer merchandise.

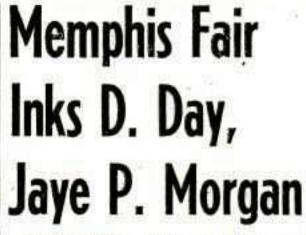
"Invariably, when fair week is over, we're practically cleaned out of short sleeve shirts, bathing suits, lightweight slacks, and such. Show people, as well as folks in from the outlying area, are the ones who clean us out.

"It never ceases to surprise me how far people come to see the fair. Why, only a short time ago a couple walked in from Winona, Minn., 110 miles away. They had heard of the fair over the radio and Okay Turnouts

Howard Mason, one of the co-owners of the A. C. Mason Company,

long-established hardware-furniture store, points to the beneficial

decided to come to it. And, we got business from them."



MEMPHIS-Dennis Day and recording artist Jaye P. Morgan will head up a two-day musical show at the Mid-South Fair here, Listen to what some of the lead- G. W. (Bill) Wynne, manager, aning business people of the city nounced.

The show, to be called "Stars Over Dixie," was booked thru E. O. Hotel Northern, the city's largest, Stacy, Music Corporation of America, and will do two shows daily "The fair is just plain good for in the indoor arena September 28 and 29.

> Other acts on the bill will be the Goofers, Professor Backards, Gene Sheldon, Francis Brunn, Hubert Castle, Hal Sands Manhattan Rockets (20), and the Skinnay Ennis orchestra. The house will be scaled at \$2.50, \$2 and \$1.50 with 75cent school children tickets for one matinee.

> Cisco (Duncan Renaldo) Kid will head up the rodeo for two days and Smiley Burnette will work the exhibit buildings and streets as a roving comic. Monte Blue will again emsee the fair's sports show and also work in River Boat Follies, which will do three-a-day for the entire nine days of the run.

> The line-up of attractions this year has been strengthened in observance of the annual's 100th birthday.





MARSHFIELD, Mass. --- Very satisfying business is reported for the Buddy Wagner Tournament of Thrills and Stunt Capades units on their early fair dates, with two good houses attending here on Sunday (5).

Other Wagner dates have been at Boonville, N. Y., on July 31; Towanda, Pa., August 2-3. The second unit, handled by Ray Wagner, who also announces, scored well at Xenia, O., August 3-4, and at the Learnington (Ont.) Exposition on Monday (6).

Former speedway promoter Buster Keller and advance man John Purtill are handling the front, with Bob LaBay and Bill Ward as track managers.

Belle City Signed For Milw'kee Date

MILWAUKEE --- Belle City Shows have been set for the August 17-19 46th annual St. Roccos Italian Society Street Feast and Fiesta at Jackson and Detroit streets here. In addition, said President Joe Albanese, nightly fireworks, a 50-piece Italian band and a Sunday parade will be features. The society is to handle all Italian confection and delicacy stands.





is about \$150,000, Herman said.

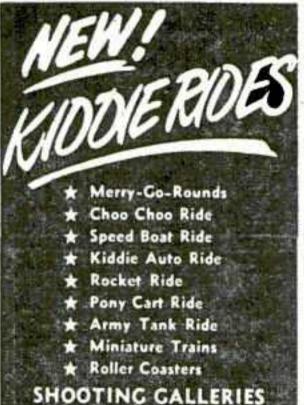
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Sans \$\$, Federal **Displays** Dwindle

WASHINGTON --- While at \$5,000,000 budget has been set available to fairs now go only to abroad, a virtual smidgin is allot- tribution. ted for local federally-sponsored displays at the nation's fairs.

federal appropriation for fair displays is in the Agriculture Depart- grounds, where countless commerment's Extension Service, which cial firms have discovered the sucarranges tie-ins with national 4-H cess of a grass roots approach to clubs and organizes media advertising of all kinds to help promote only on a small scale because of fairs. But even in this department, lack of funds for such special where fair participation would be expected to have top priority, federal dollar participation is droping off.



KING AMUSEMENT CO.

Mt. Clemens, Mich.

For example, exhibits formerly up to tell the American trade story State land-grant colleges for dis-

Lack of Funds

The military establishments and The nearest thing to direct Atomic Energy Commission would like to tell their stories on the fairthe populace. But they can do this projects.

> Military displays of equipment háve always been good crowdpullers, and hundreds of requests are received annually for such day. In some agricultural departparticipation. Live action events such as mock landings and rescues are a natural for public interest, as are cutaway jet engines and the like. But because of limited appropriations, the services for the most part will have to sit back on their hands this year.

fairs has dwindled to eight. Reason is the usual one: "We'd like to send more out to where big crowds can see them, but it costs too much to set up the exhibits and furnish transportation and staff."

The Army has a 2,100-squarefoot walk-thru, "Army's Role in Peacetime," which reportedly has tion. It's "Army of the Future" Markets Sign "only small funds" to tour the nathe Nike defense rocket, and models of an atomic cannon, tanks, new weapons and other ordnance elements.

THE BILLBOARD **Storm Skirts**

Butler, Pa.; Pay Gate Okay

BUTLER, Pa.--Weekend storms which drenched Ohio and Western Pennsylvania clobbered the fairgrounds here but the damage was repaired for the annual's opening on Monday (6). It was the first year for John Emerich as manager, returning to the show field in which, in 1933, he designed several buildings and other features for the Chicago Fair.

Innovations brought in this season met with instant success. The free gate was discarded in favor of a 50-cent admission for adults, with kiddies free every day. Return of the U.S. Trotting Association events drew well on Wednesments the participation was very good.

Much rented canvas was downed by the storm on Saturday (4) prior to the fair, with some units being shredded, but replacements were secured before the opening.

A larger tent, 50 feet by 100, Typical of the services is the was brought in for the poultry Air Force, which exhibited at 15 show, biggest ever held here and fairs in 1955. This year the list of the first once since 1928. What was reportedly the largest cattle breeders' show in Western Pennsylvania brought together Hereford, Guernsey and Angus for the first time here.

There was very little opposition to the 50-cent gate, Emerich reported.



BUY 64 ACRES Barn Raising

For Manassas Aids New Site MANASSAS, Va. -- Widespread publicity has been given to The work done on the new fairgrounds just outside town on Route 234. A full page of pictures in The Wash-Diggest ington Post and Times Herald gave valuable notice to the public for profits Hundreds of farmers and white collar people from Prince William come County staged an old-fashioned barn raising last week on the 64acre property, as a result of manfrom ager joseph Johnson's appeal to residents for help. They turned out in big numbers and brought tools and equipment for the job. Three days of work produced four new cattle barns, and the community effort kept the total expense below \$8,000, it is reported. Two of them, each 32 feet by 100, are for beef cattle, and the others, 48 by 108, are for dairy cattle. Event will be held six days starting Monday (13) under sponsorship of the County Veterans' Farm Club, of which Kent Clemen is president. A \$1,700 loss was suffered by last year's fair, which was hit by two hurricanes which ruined much of the canvas. Sponsors got loans to buy the new site. Response to the appeal, Johnson said, was "wonderful." Women provided picnic lunches and bev-

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"Complex System"

Navy's situation is no better than booked his Aquarama with the that of the other services when it | First National Stores and will play comes to putting exhibits into State, county and local fairs and celebrations. Funds are "chipped in from different departments," a Navy man states, "in a system so complicated no one really understands it." A handicap is that the nature of its "Supersonic, Atomic and Electronic Navy" theme, with models of airplanes, ships, satellites and rockets, is such that it is limited to indoor space.

The AEC has three "Atoms for Peace" exhibits which will go to a meager list of fairgrounds, reportedly eight at present, far less than the total which requested displays. A step in the right direction, however, is the policy of the AEC to book its exhibits free of transportation costs and rental charges.

What is boils down to is that America's fair-going public, numbering high into the millions annually, is receptive to any message the federal government wants to pass along. But the dollars just aren't being allocated for this purpose, even tho such displays would be beneficial to both the fairs and the sponsors.



PHILADELPHIA -- Three fair appearances have been reported uled dates is also helping, he added. signed by the Jolly Joyce Theatriand the Comets at the McKcan County Fair, Smethport, Pa., Sep-Shots at the Nebraska State Fair, Lincoln, Neb., September 2-7.

BOSTON --- Danny White has a chain of supermarkets in the Greater Boston area for the next month under the name of the Cliquot Club Aquarama. The shows will be free and will be performed in the food stores' parking lots, using a 25-foot portable tank.

Aquarama will play two-day stands at each market, with the possibility that the food chain may take the show on a tour of the South if the present engagements prove successful. Stars of the show are Zoe Ann Olsen, wife of Red Sox ball player Jackie Jensen, and Hal Haig. Both are Olympic diving champions. Among other swimmers are the Six Aqua Models.

Race Crowds Up 10 Per Cent For Sweeney

MASON CITY, Ia. -- Attendance at auto races operated by National Speedways have been up approximately 10 per cent this season thus far, Al Sweeney, head man of the organization, announces.

Record turnouts at several earlier still dates, along with two recent fair marks, have combined to register this increase Sweeney said. Additional promotional effort and more time spent on fewer sched-

A program of stock car sprints cal Agency. Listed are Bill Haley drew a record 4,500 at the Donaldson, Ia., fair Friday night (3), with an estimated 1,000 of the speed tember 5; Hawkshaw Hawkins and fans forced to stand thrucut the Jean Sheppherd at the same spot program. Sunday night (5) a pro-September 8; and the Hoosier Hot gram of big car sprints at the Faribault, Minn., fair was raced to a capacity turnout.

Hoosier Erects 2,000-Seat Top

erages for the workers.

the enterprise.

INDIANAPOLIS-Hoosier Tarpaulin and Canvas Goods Company, recently completed and erected one of the biggest nylon Box Theater near Wilmington, Del., Stan Goldberg, vice-pre. ident of the tent firm, announced.

The top is a 2,000-seat, 120 by 160-foot structure.

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London Arena Installs New \$35,000 Floor

LONDON, Ont .-- The London Arena here has let a \$35,000 contract for a new floor that will include 15,000 square feet of dancing and roller skating space. The project, announced by manager H. G. Law, is scheduled to be completed next week.

For spectator events, the revamped arena can be opened in sections to provide seats for 4,000 persons on three sides and a stage at the fourth.

The old floor consisted of a sectional maple surface, which could be removed for access to the skating rink. It was laid over the refrigeration pipes 16 years ago. As the building drifted away from ice events, the floor was made permanent by laving another maple surface over it.

The new floor has a four-inch concrete slab upon which two layers of insulating material are placed. Maple flooring is added to that, and the whole surface is sealed with sealer and plastic. Work was planned by Perry B. Giles, Michigan floor specialist.

Billposters' Meet Set for Milwaukee

MILWAUKEE --- The International Alliance of Billposters and Billers will meet at Milwaukee Monday (20) at the Hotel Wiscon-

ARENAS & AUDITORIUMS Frain, Crowd Engineer, **Handles Convention Throng**

By TOM PARKINSON

66 OUCHEST thing about handling a political convention is that every one is a big shot. Ask a man for his ticket and he'll say he's a governor. But we treat them all alike."

Those are the words of Andy Frain, whose famous organization has the ushering and crowd handling chores at the International Amphitheater for the Democratic National Convention. Frain has been engineering big crowds for 36 years and this is his ninth national political convention.

His son, Andy Jr., is in direct command of the 750 college men and chiefs who will be working in Chicago for the convention. They will be at the Amphitheater, at all major hotel elevator lobbies and at key spots thru department stores and elsewhere for the week. His men will be at the publicized Perla Mesta party. The total doesn't include regular crews at ball parks, race tracks and other arenas.

FRAIN LAMENTS THAT the science of crowd handling has not gotten the attention it should. He has studied it for years but he says that other people who understand crowds are few and far between. Basic, he says, is the difference between a football crowdit is tense and excited-and a music festival crowd-it is relaxed. The convention crowd is even worse than football, with the VIP's taking some of the blame. Therefore he will have about 300 men at the Amphitheater, altho 125 to 150 is adequate for most events in the same building.

For most Amphitheater events, there is a preponderance of Chicagoans. They have been in the building before, and many can find their own way. But the convention has mostly out-of-towners and more ushers are needed to get them in and seated.

THESE WILL BE 15-MINUTE days, in the words of Frain. On hot days, he says, people wait until the last minute to come inside. So more ushers are needed for the rush period. The Amphitheater's air-conditioning may alter this picture. But cold weather crowds always come early, he reveals.

Frain points out that if aisles are adequate, it is well to have one usher per 250 seats. There is a chief for every dozen ushers, and among his duties is that of handling obstinate gate crashers and other tangles.

He is bringing key men from Washington, New York, Cleveland, and others of the 22 cities where he operates to aid in the Chicago assignment. There will be Frain men from the Pan-Pacific Auditorium in Los Angeles and from the St. Louis Arena on hand in the Amphitheater.

They will be directing the hundreds of college men recruited from schools 150 miles around. These ushers are trained in sessions that include films of crowds in action at big ball parks, stadiums and arenas. The movies show how crowds pile up at entrances, and what Frain forces can do about this. Another phase of training is blackboard drill; it is like football practice with the public something of an opponent."

Sonora, Calif., Tops '55 Paid Gate by 1,140

SONORA, Calif. --- The annual Mother Lode Fair ended its fourday run here Surday (5) with a total attendance of 19,728, which included an increase of 1,140 in paid admissions over last year.

According to C. B. Mathews, secretary-manager, opening day attendance which nearly doubled the same day in '55, was boosted by the appearance of movie actor Rory Calhoun, who crowned the fair's Maid of the Mother Lode.

The foothill country show featured a vaudeville show produced by Isabelle Whall's Fun Unlimited, San Francisco. On various programs thruout the fair were Benito Moreno; Kumar, Martez and Company, jugglers; the Chaudets, magic; the Sportsmen, singing group of the Jack Benny show; Nick Lucas, Stagg McMann, Paul Desmond, Mel Ody, and the Helen O'Neil Dancers. An RCA rodeo with Mack Barbour supplying the stock was featured Sunday afternoon in the arena.

Larry (Bozo the Clown) Valli directed daily kids' contests. Harry Richards with his monkey, Charlie, worked the independent midway.

"Ladies' Day" on Friday with the fair and community merchantsponsored fashion show directed by Phil and Emerald Arden, Los Angeles. Arden presented daily organ concerts.

The fair used a one-pay gate. charging \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children.

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About 75 delegates and 200 guests are expected. Michael Noch, Detroit, is president.



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FOR SPECIAL EVENTS the Frain enterprise likes to get assignments before the tickets are printed. It starts action three months ahead of something like this convention. That allows time for conferences with the building management and with the producers of the event. Frain points out that it is desirable for him to organize the seating, determine aisle locations and widths, decide where turnstiles should be placed and work out which doors will be used and how tickets should be printed so as to guide patrons to the correct doors. The actual ushering comes as the execution of three months' preparation and planning.

Frain's trainees see films of famous gate-crashers in action-Jeff Dais, Benson and the late One-Eyed Connelly. They are primed this time for the antics of the "Billy Goat," a Chicago character who brought a live goat with him to a ball game. The situation at the gate was one for a Frain chief to handle, and altho Goat and goat got inside, it was decided later to remove them. Now Frain has a law suit on his hands and expects Bill Goat will be outside Amphitheater gates, too. The ushers will be ready.

Bangor Okay Altho Cold Chills Nights

nights turned unseasonably cold ly for stock car contests. and the starr-studded night grandstand offerings may have been affected as a result.

The fair had a solid program with track events followed at night by GAC talent including a revue and headliners, June Valli, Pat Boone and Don Cherry.

The World of Mirth Shows on the midway reported business off slightly from last year's record handle as the run neared its end.

on Tuesday was big.

Sunbrock in Auto Track Biz in Fla.

ORLANDO, Fla. -- Off the Larry Sunbrock, veteran rodeo and two speedways in Florida, one here and one at Lakeland. Both establishments, said Sunbrock, are hav-BANGOR, Me. -- The Bangor ing an excellent season. Good sup-Fair operated in clear weather for port from newspapers and radio the week ending Saturday (4). and TV have helped the Orlando While the days were pleasant, the track average 5,000 patrons night-

> Sunbrock reported that he holds a contract to take his combined rodeo, circus and thrill show to Soldier Field, Chicago, for a September 1-3 showing, but at this time has not made up his mind whether to fulfill the contract. Pressure from his family to remain at home is the reason for his indecision.

ing admission scale. The fee is \$1 Special days included those for until 5 p.m.; 75 cents from 5 until Boy Scouts and Shriners. Kids' day 10 p.m. and 50 cents thereafter for adults. The night grandstand The fair features a unique slid- show sold for \$1, \$1.24 and \$1.50.

Billposter Pacts Call for Raises, **Paid Vacations**

DETROIT--Eighty per cent of existing biilposters' contracts nationally have been renewed with an average increase of 25 cents over the two-year periods which they cover, Michael Noch, president of the International Alliance of Billposters, Billers and Distributors, announced.

Virtually all are two-step contracts, with typical raises of 15 cents the first year and 10 cents the second, or 121/2 cents each year. Only about 20 per cent of contracts expire in odd years.

The Detroit contract is typical of the terms signed across the country, according to Noch, who is also business agent of the Detroit local. This provides for 15 cents at once, retroactive to May 1, and a 10-cent increase next May 1. A further provision in the new Detroit contract is acceptance of a three-week road for the first time in 25 years, vacation with pay clause for men employed 10 years or longer; this thrill show owner, is now operating formerly included only 25-year emr'oyees.





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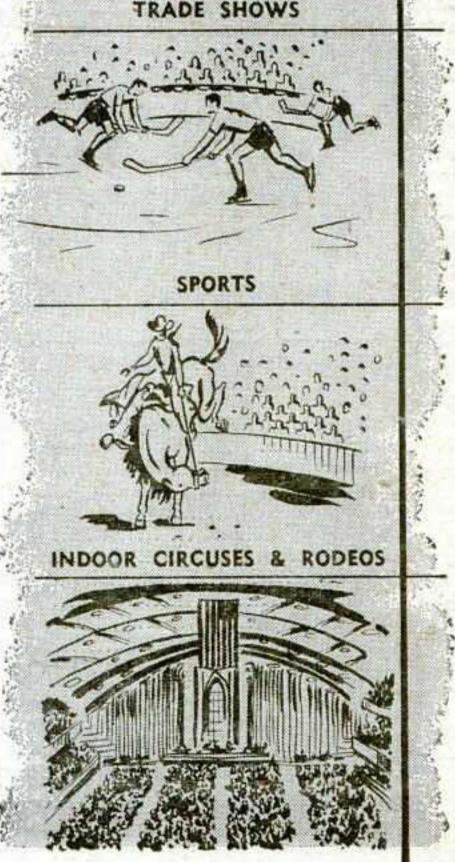
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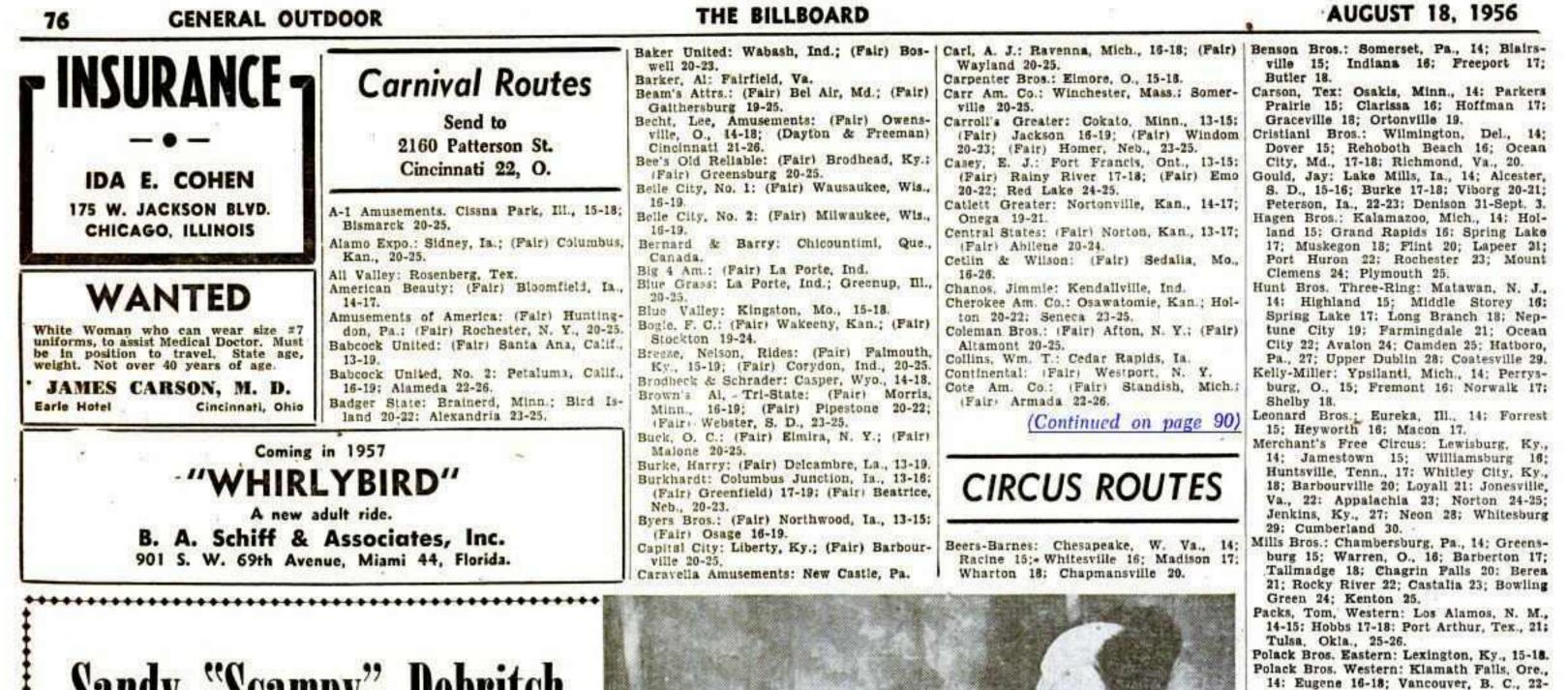
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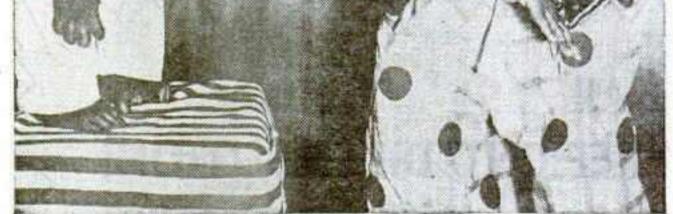
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THE FINAL CURTAIN

ARAKI-Carrie,

73, former member of the Pan Araki Troupe, Risley and ladder act which was formed in 1910 and played on the Sun, Haig and other circuses early in the century, August 1 at her home in New York. Her husband, Pan Araki, died six years ago. Her father had owned Shower's Circus and her mother was a wire performer. Mrs. Araki retired in 1936 after suffering injury in a fall.

BURKE-Edward J.,

outdoor showman, August 7 in Detroit. He was a member of the Showmen's League of America. Services and burial August 10 in Detroit.

COX-S. Bowen,

76, secretary of the State Fair of Texas, Dallas, and an employee of that fair for 29 years, July 3 in Dallas. Cox joined the fair staff in 1927 as chief clerk to Roy Rupard who was then secretary. He was named assistant secretary in 1946 and two years later took over the secretary's post, the fair's No. 2 executive position. He was a veteran of the Spanish-American War. He was a charter member of Uncle Sam's 1-2-3 Boys, the Kids of 1898; a 32d degree Mason and a Shriner. Pallbearers were Fred Myers, Joe R. Ray, W. J. Fife, James H. Stewart, David Y. Robb, William C. Hiegert, James H. Bohannon, Charles Watson and Kenneth Palmer. Honorary pallbearers included members of the State Fair board of directors, his coworkers and fair concession operators. Survivors are a son, Willard J.; a daughter, Oakie; two sisters, a brother and three grandchildren.

Floto circuses. In recent years he represented the Criterion Advertising Company, Denver. Survived by his widow, Dean, of Denver, and two sisters in California.

DOOLAN-Anna,

48; wife of Mike Doolan, owneroperator of Green Oaks Kiddieland, Oak Lawn, Ill., August 5 at her home in Oak Lawn. Active in the operation of the amusement park, Mrs. Doolan was a past president of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Showman's League of America and was a member of auxiliaries of the Pacific Coast Showmen's Association, the Hot Springs Showmen's Association and Caravans, Inc. In addition to her husband, she leaves two daughters, Kathleen and Margie, and two sisters. Services August 9 in Chicago.

GARDINER-Harry H.,

86, said to be the original "human fly," July 28 in Washington. He had been ill eight years with a heart ailment. He was an acrobat and trapeze performer with Ringling Bros.' Circus and also worked the vaude circuits. In 1910 he began an act in which he climbed tall buildings and worked in that field until his retirement in 1930. Surviving are two sons, Charles and Vincent, Washington, and a sister, Mrs. Hettie M. Strawn, Jacksonville, Ill.

MacARTHUR-Jack E.,

51, a director of the Manitoba Provincial Exhibition board for many years and at the time of his death an honorary member of the board, July 24 at Brandon, Man. Survived by his widow, two daughters, a son, two brothers and two sisters.

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local at Decatur, Ill. Survived by his mother and sister. Burial at Osceola.

VANDERBILT (Maretta)-Edna,

72, retired circus performer, at Warren, Pa., August 5. As Edna Maretta, she entered the business in 1893 and was part of a widely known sisters act. Later she married Gary Vanderbilt, clown and performer. She was with Lemen Bros., Gollmar Bros., Sells-Floto, Robinson and other shows prior to her retirement in 1914. Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Oscar Holmberg, and a brother, Frank Southwick. Her husband died in 1947.

MARRIAGES

SHEETS-SPARTON-

Frieda Sparton, member of the Sparton Family who bills herself as Miss Freichon, and H. C. (Billy) Sheets, contracting agent for Ring Bros.' Circus, at Dale, Ind., August 3. The bride is with the Ben Davenport Merchants' Free Circus.

STRATES-ROBINSON-

Carnival section this issue.)

BIRTHS

BERNSTEL-

A daughter, Brenda Sue, to Mr. and Mrs. Bernstel, July 19 in **Utah State** Lebanon, Pa. Father is veteran concessionaire and back-end show operator.

ALL ELEMENTS OKAY FOR **NEW MARSHFIELD MARK**

which hit last year's fair were not present this time and hopes were high for a new attendance mark.

Altho off-sea rains dampened

Clear Skies Boost Gate At Clearfield CLEARFIELD, Pa. -- Balmy

weather and clear skies sent attendance well ahead of last year at the Lt. E. James Strates, son of Mr. Clearfield Fair. The nights, while and Mrs. James E. Strates, own- cool, were pleasant enough to aters-operators of the James E. tract big crowds and attendance at Strates Shows, and Phyllis Ann the grandstand, where the principal Robinson, non-pro, recently in GAC-Hamid revue was making its Las Vegas, Nev. (Details in first appearance of the year, was reported very good.

On the midway the James E: Strates Shows reported business well ahead of last year. All units were reported making money and this, in turn, reflected the experience of all fair departments.

MARSHFIELD, Mass.---A re- the Tuesday turnout, the total held ported crowd of 17,003 gave the well to add up to better than Marshfield Fair its biggest open- 56,000 for the first three days. The ing day gate since 1946 as it be- mutuel handle for the six-day gan its seven-day run Sunday (5). thorobred meet started out ahead The weather smiled on the 89th of last year with \$64,641 for Monversion of the event sponsored by day and \$49,097 for the damp the Marshfield Agricultural and Tuesday. Monday's betting was Horticultural Society. Conditions more than \$12,000 over last year.

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Credit for the big opening turnout was given in part to the Buddy Wagner thrill show, which booker Al Martin brought in for two Sunday shows to supplement six circus acts. The acts for the remainder of the week in the grandstand show were: Consuelo, aerialist; Roland Tiebor's Seals; Jody Gray, the melody girl; Acro-Nuts, knockabout act; Jimmy Lee, comedy emsee, and Dick Sullivan, "The Smiling Irishman," with his giveaway show, "Prizes-a-Poppin'."

Midway Does Well

Tab for the grandstand is 50 cents for adults, 25 cents for children and \$1 for box seats. General admission is 50 cents, with 25 cents (Continued on page 79)



GENERAL OUTDOOR

DINAN-William,

67, former circus and theatrical agent, at Veterans' Hospital, Denver, recently after a short illness. He had been ahead of Sig Sautelle, Walter L. Main, Forepaugh - Sells, Barnum & Bailey, Al G. Barnes and Sells-

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McDUFF-Robert B.,

80, father of R. W. McDuff, long-range shooting gallery operator on Drago Shows No. 1 August 2 in Indianapolis. Death MEHLcame after a heart attack. Also survived by his widow, Ida, and a twin sister, Mrs. J. Hand, Little Switzerland, N. C.

POTTER-Tom,

64, veteran outdoor showman and concessionaire, recently in Everett, Wash. Blindness forced him to quit the road, however he continued to operate a concession in the Everett Court House.

RILEY-R. T.,

57, concessionaire formerly connected with the Johnny J. Jones, Dodson and Royal American shows and in later years associated with Riverview Park, Chicago, recently. Burial in St. Mary's Cemetery, Cincinnati.

SCHWIND-Doca (Melillo),

one of the original Mclillo Sisters, acro act formerly with the Ringling-Barnum show and a member of one of Europe's oldest circus families, recently. Burial August 9 in Louisville.

SEWELL-Thomas Wesley,

51, manager of Station WMGY Montgomery, Ala., drowned in Lake Jordan at Wetumpka, Ala., recently. His body was found by a fisherman. Indications were that the drowning was accidental. Survivors include two brothers, Joe Sewell, a scout for the Cleveland Indians, and Luke Sewell, now manager of the Seattle team in the Pacific Coast.

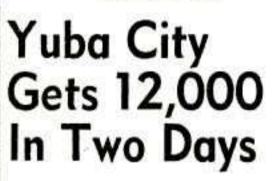
SOWASH-Clifton I. (Si),

68, July 27 at his home in Osceola, Ia. He was a billposter with Cole Bros., Hagenbeck-Wallace, Seils-Sterling, Clyde and a member of the billposters'

LANDRUS-

A son to Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Landrus, July 30 in St. Joseph's Hospital, Elmira, N. Y. Father is magician with Frames Greater Shows. Mother is Mexican dancer and singer.

A daughter, Robyn Leah, to Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Mehl July 6 in Chicago.



YUBA CITY, Calif .---- The Yuba--Sutter Counties Fair, which ran only two instead of six days because of serious flood damage suffered last December, pulled an estimated attendance of 12,000, Roy Welch, secretary - manager, said here last week.

Plans to hold a token event were not definite until a few months ago. During the flood, which caused great damage in the area, the fairgrounds were under as much as 12 feet of water in some merce. sections. Originally the fair was scheduled to run six days. The two-day event ended July 29.

The fair opened officially at 6 o'clock Saturday (28) evening and ran until midnight. Sunday's schedule opened the grounds from noon until 6 p.m.

No admission was charged to the grounds or any of its entertainment attractions, with stageshows produced by Isabelle Whall's Fun Unlimited, San Francisco. Featured were Harry (Woo Woo) Stevens, comedy instrumentalist; Paul Desmond, comic and emsee; Kumar, Indian plate spinner; Lunard and Lewis, comedy knockabout; Wayne Roland, ventriloquist; Stagg Mc-Mann, harmonica player; Lesselli's (Continued on page 79) 1901.

Inks Lisco

HOLLYWOOD-Duncan (Cisco Kid) Renaldo has been signed to appear September 17 at the Utah State Fair in Salt Lake City. The fair opens September 14 for 10 days.

Renaldo returned here last week from Eugene, Ore., where he presented his act with Rex Rossi at the Emerald Empire Rodeo. Stock for the event was furnished by Christensen Bros. of that place, Mel Lambert announced.

The rodeo pulled a crowd of over 5,000 for its Friday night (3) performance, but had turnaways both Saturday and Sunday afternoons. The attendance far exceeded that of 1955 as the grandstand for this event had been expanded to accommodate approximately 6,800. The Cisco Kid television show

starring Renaldo has been a regular feature in the section for the past two months under a creamery sponsonship.

Halves for Hunt

GREAT BARRINGTON, Mass. --Hunt Bros.' Circus played to a pair of half houses here Thursday (2). Weather was clear. Sponsor was the Junior Chamber of Com-

Dallas Fair Mulls Continued from page 71

been approved by the State Fair board of directors and the Dallas Park Board and the Fair now is awaiting final word from the Monorail company. Under terms of the agreement, the line would be built by Monorail, Inc., which would pay all costs of installation. The line would be operated by a subsidiary of the company specially organized for the purpose.

Until the Houston venture, the only operating monorail line in existence has been in Wuppertal, Germany, where there has been Beatty and Dailey Bros. circuses Puppets, and Phil Arden, electric a similar system in operation since

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Jersey Situation Now Local Choice

Inland Parks Still Take Brunt of Anti-Game Law; Shore More Lenient

games situation has relaxed somewhat lately, but only in certain ways and in certain locales. While amusement parks are still feeling the brunt of the State-wide shutdown, shore operators have succeeded in obtaining some dispensation.

Atlantic City's games are pretty nearly back to normal, with the esception of electrically controlled flashers which were the type specified by last month's anti-game ruling by the State Supreme Court. Flashers are out, but many ball games, dart games, pitches and sort to gambling, and failing to re- craft to be manned by WKRC perother units are working, both along port it.' the boardwalk piers and at new Rendezvous Park.

The situation has reverted to one of local interpretation. Thusly, Olympic Park in Irvington is still completely without any games in operation. Palisades has some n odified operation. Shore locations have varied conditions from spot to spot.

The Atlantic City reopening came for the 1937 season. only recently, allowing operators lost.

not be restrained from exceeding their authority in interfering with the game.

The games have a gimmick: pay and free games. No prizes are awarded for pay games, but each alternate free game has a prize winner.

Wildwood, on the shore's souththe anti-game situation. And opa place to which persons might re-

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LeSourdsville Sets WKRC Day

MIDDLETOWN, O. -- WKRC (Cincinnati) Radio and Television Day, featuring appearances of station personalities, games, contests and prize giveaways, will be held Park here.

Heading the list of giveaway prizes will be such items as an air conditioner, automatic washer, set of tubeless tires, chrome dinette set, watches, food mixers, perfumes, home permanent kits and toys for children. WKRC's Marti Kay, Roy Starkey and Shirley Jester, who is seen in the "Jelly Bean ern end, had its first arrest under Acres" show, will appear in two shows, emseed by Ted McKay, and erator and two agents of the "Jig- Paul Jones will emsee on-stage Shaw" roll-down were pulled in competitions by members of the audience in the evening. In the **Sullivan for** for "aiding and abetting in keeping audience in the evening. In the

sonnel.

WALLED LAKE HIT **BY RAINY SEASON**

Operation After Labor Day Set In Attempt to Recoup Business

DETROIT-The combination In an effort to balance up the NEW YORK--The New Jersey (14) in Trenton why they should August 15 at LeSourdsville Lake of adverse weather with the preva- season, present plans are to conlent layoffs in automotive plants tinue operation for weekends only has hurt business considerably at after Labor Day as long as the Walled Lake Amusement Park, ac- weather permits. A year-round procording to veteran park owner- gram of promotion for picnics and manager Fred W. Pearce. Out of other park events is scheduled to 14 weekends that the park has start as soon as the park closes, been operating, only one was with- Now in the planning stage are an out rain. The weather generally unusual number of new attractions has been cool thruout the season, to be added at Walled Lake for especially hurting the speedboat, the 1957 season. rowboat and bathing business which are important at this park.

Variety Show At Cincy Coney

CINCINNATI --- Ed Sullivan will emsee a variety show at Coney Island here the afternoon of August 22. Patterned after his CBS-TV network show, the presentation will utilize acts coming here with him a special stage to be constructed on the park's mall, said park President and General Manager Edward L.

Cincinnati's WKRC-TV will tele-

Disappearing **Reds Attract** Tivoli Crowds

COPENHAGEN --- Records were broken here during the first weekend of August. In the Central Railway Station, where four vending machines of the "Automat Service" firm dispensed 65 plastic raincoats on Sunday (5)-a record oneday sale-Tivoli's turnstiles were clicking off all-time record attendances for weekends and for a Monday. Tivoli's gates were: Saturday (4), 62,000; Sunday, 60,000, and '4onday (6), 50,000-a three-day total of 172,000 paid admissions. This was in addition to many of the 20,000 holders of season tickets al-' in the park on those days. A major factor in the weekend turnouts was the visit of three Soviet navy ships, the crews of which appeared to be largely made up of musicians, singers, dancers, acrorenning more than two hours. On the same days that these shows were being given, a similar group of 90 musicians and entertainers were putting on similar shows in Liseberg amusement park (Continued on page 79)



Original objections were to Park's compact 17 acres have been before next season, will allow for games employing mechanical or rudely treated by the elements this addition of new units to the park's electrical devices at which mer- season. Results have been disap- line-up, such as a major thrill ride from New York and will be seen on chandise was won, whether or not pointing for the new Baker man- and a fun house, at least. skill is involved. Attorney General agement, but prospects remain The park also has this year Richman's information to local bright for the spot with ambitious a coin-operated basketball game prosecutors was such that every improvement plans which should where the balls pile up in a metal Schott.

WASHINGTON --- Glen Echo | project, which might be completed

game in the State was shut down. inject a healthy dose of new blood webbing beneath the basket rim. Pulling a Skee Ball-type mechan-Current hypo is the offering of ism releases the balls and returns to get at least a few weeks of busi- a free portable TV set nightly for them to the player. Only one atness under their belts, altho the key every operating day in August and tendent is required for the eight July Fourth period has long been September. Bulk purchase allows cubicles, to make change and Cenerally speaking, Clen Echo business has paralleled that of virtually every other offering in the East. That is, turnouts and spending have been good when the quently for comfort.

Fascination Okay

· Fascination games won a favorable ruling recently in Asbury Park when the Superior Court judge upheld Abe Ruben's injunction which prevents the district attorney from closing his game. Ruben's attorney held the game is purely a skill unit, and in no way a "device." The judge cited the State's anti-gaming law which prohibits use of devices having numbers on them or employing wheels.

Recent reopenings in Atlantic City include Pokerino and bingotype operations like Skilo, Playo and Thrilo. The Playo parlor run by S. and D. Corporation at 2420 Atlantic Avenue won a show cause order against the prosecutor and police chief, asking them to explain in Chancery Court on Tuesday

Eddie Allen Loses Balloon

CINCINNATI - Capt. Eddie Allen, veteran balloon ascensionist and parachute jumper, who began a two-week engagement at Coney Island here July 26, was 'orced to cut short his eng..gement following the August 2 performance when huge balloon fell into the Ohio River and sank before Coney employees, in two boats, could retrieve it.

U. S. Coast Guard members, aided by Allen and Coney workers, dragged the river for two days but failed to come up with the big bag. Allen valued the balloon at \$700.

Coney Island, Allen created much of the amphitheater, some 30 feet scheme. interest with his daily ascensions down into the hole, is a creek space in the three local dailies than fore it can take the weight of the horses, and three chariots. The ride Park in Warwick, R. I., and Godany act ever to play the local Coney | fill. Island.

for favorable prices on the sets, award ride ticket prizes. tickets for which are available in profuse numbers at concession locations and booths thrucht the park,

For this year Glen Echo boasts a new, attractive Holmes Cook miniature golf course, built on terraced property along the car tracks which skirt the park fence. In addition, the pavilion Kiddieland sports two new units from the Stacy Johnson firm of Miami, namely, the caged Ferris Wheel and a tank ride on an undulating track.

In addition to the nightly giveaway, patronage inducements are nickel and dime ride days on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and Friday-Saturday dancing in the ballroom. The ballroom operation, formerly has been sliced to two and poses one of the problems the ownertor 1957.

Building to Be Razed

operating space in the park proper. Lake Nipmuc two years ago. It consists of leveling the "big been boarded up. It was operated the front of the skating rink. as a fun house for a stretch of unsafe for such an operation,

weather hasn't interfered-but the night program, since he was injured Russians occupied the park's big interference has come too fre- in an August 5 automobile accident open-air stage for non-stop shows in Seymour, Conn.

OUTLOOK IS ROSY Steady Improvement **Proceeds at Nipmuc**

addition is one in a long string of idleness. improvements, both completed and Major project set for next year envisioned, by 79-year-old Joseph were not heavily patronized, but will run into the high thousands Carrolo, veteran park and Merry- this, too, is expected to change in

nothing" building built early this clude the following, since April of of summer stock and hillbilly prescentury as a stone Chautauqua 1954: Rebuilt the Merry-Go- entations. amphitheater. In modern times its Round, replaced roofs on two interior has become rubble and the buildings, started rebuilding of perfectly detailed (one-third scale) building, 120 feet in diameter, has other structures, and remodeled steam locomotive. 24-passenger

will allow some 100,000 cubic-wards small roller coaster. There will be 250 feet. to be bulldozed into the hole, Price heavy emphasis on children's at-

The 120 feet resulting from this tionary ones. While it is probably met, R. I.

cast the hour-long show. Sullivan will also make guest appearances on two station telecasts, "My Little Margie," at noon, and at 11:20 p.m. on "Home Theater."

During his park appearance Sullivan is scheduled to try out many of the park's attractions. The park bats and comedians. On Friday, show will be his first public appear- Saturday and Monday nights-plus ance, other than his regular Sunday a matinee on Saturday-90 of the

MENDON, Mass .--- In store for too big for the Mendon operation, offered on four days of the week, Lake Nipmuc Park on Route 16 is Carrolo says, patronage will doubta Revere Beach-type steam loco- less grow with the public's awaremotive train ride, to be operated by ness that the park is operating full ship and Gerald Price are tackling John Murray of Rehobeth. The tilt now after a long period of near-

Three hillbilly shows in 1955 in expense but will yield vital Go-Round figure, who took over at time. Faith in the ultimate success here of live entertainment has Car-Carrolo's achievements here in- rolo working on a 1957 schedule

The railroad ride will feature a In store are: the train ride, mod- ger cars, and a red caboose. A years until it became considered emization of the boathouse and five-minute ride will originate at vast refreshment restaurant. bathhouse, addition of 20-passen- the duck pond near the entrance, is elevated, and leveling of the lot eral new kiddle rides, including a gives the sandy stretch a width of end.

In his week's engagement at notes. Running thru the bottom of tractions, in the improvement and civic officials are helping to chester County since construction make successful the Nipmue Park of the shopping center displaced The Merry-Go-Round job in- reconstruction, it is claimed. Carand jumps and pulled more free which will have to be covered be- volved obtaining 63 old wooden rolo also operates Oakland Beach couple of seasons ago. No new has 48 jumpers now, and 15 sta- dard Memorial Park in Potawau-

Yonkers Park Gets Okay for **Kiddie Rides**

YONKERS, N. Y. -- Wonderland Kiddie Village, located at the mammoth Cross-County Shopping Center, finally got its okay to operate riding devices this month and put into action a Pinto kiddie carrousel, and five Standard Kiddie Rides units.

Spot features novel fairyland gondola car, additional 12-passen- structures executed by Tracy Parade and Display Company, and a

Added to the live amusement A fortunate saving in fill is get sight-seeing boats, installation go thru a tunnel, 1,200 feet along part of the park is Frankie Saluto, expected to be vielded, since the of a gasoline filling station, crea- the beach, and return. Extension veteran Bingling midget clown, parking lot adjoining the excavation tion of a new parking lot, and sev- of the beach by some 100 feet who appears daily until seasons

> Wonderland's rides are the first Good co-operation from local allowed in that section of Westone of the Nunley Kiddielands a permit was issued then and the Nunley rides were transplanted to Long Island.



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Beatty Staff Takes Shape; Dates Set

Opens at Las Cruces; Quarters Busy as Show Readies for Opening

opening the new Clyde Beatty Cir- Beatty, has arrived to take charge cus are going forward and a new of the Beatty press work. George opening date has been set. The Werner, boss canvasman, has arshow will get under way August rived after a stop-over at his Mill-30 at Las Cruces, N. M. The stadt, Ill., home after closing with earlier booking of Albuquerque for Ringling. August 31 and September 1 still stands. All the Texas route is set.

Frank McClosky, general manager, has nearly completed lining up his staff and acts. Walter Kernan, assistant general manager, has returned to Sarasota for a few days. General Agent Floyd King has returned from a trip to Washington, D. C., and other Eastern spots.

Eddie Howe, press agent for-

Circo Union Expands; Wins **Good Business**

MATAMOROS, Mexico--Circo Union, second largest show in Mexico, opened a 10-day run here August 5 and gave a street parade on the first day. It came from Reynosa, where business was big

DEMING, N. M.--Plans for merly with Ringling, Cole and

Bob Reynolds, superintendent, has a crew at work in quarters. Otis Leslie, trainmaster, is readying his department, and Richard Shipley, boss elephant man, has arrived. Tommy Clarke will be boss property man and he has arrived from Sarasota.

Harry L. Jones will have the Side Show, on which Jimmy Hamiter will have the canvas and a ticket had 2,600 in the afternoon and box. A new banner line has ar- 3,300 at night. rived.

Joe Sullivan and crew are working banners. Bob Allen, promo- the weekend and had a buffet lunch tional manager, was in an auto Sunday for 100 members and 40 accident and escaped injury.

days in quarters. Mrs. Beatty will Circus. The party was on the eve remain at their Hollywood home of his 83d birthday. The fans this fall, and their son will enter stayed over to attend the Cristiani school.

Cristiani Wins Fair Business In N. Y. Towns

KINGSTON, N. Y.--Cristiani Bros.' Circus played to half and three-quarter business here Monday (6). On Saturday (4) the show had been scheduled to play Cortland, N. Y., but the lot deal fell thru. Therefore the show booked Oneida on a one-week notice. Circus drew two two-third houses there.

Circus has been scoring strong publicity, especially after notices, in New York stands. Theme of several picture layouts, editorials and feature stories has been that the under-canvas show is a thriving aggregation.

At Elmira, N. Y. (30), the show

The Eastern section of the CFA held a meeting in Kingston over people from the Cristiani circus. Clyde Beatty and his family, Among the guests was Charles T. performance.

Hunt Totes Up 90 Sellouts, Counts on More Coming In

Milwaukee Journal Buys Atwell Photos for Museum

MILWAUKEE --- Purchase of Fla. Atwell, one-time personal the Harry Atwell files of circus photographer to Theodore Roosephotographic negatives by The velt and official photographer of Milwaukee Journal here was an- Ringling Bros.' Circus for a while, nounced last week.

The negatives, estimated to num- cago until three years ago. ber about 5,000, will be given by The Journal to the Wisconsin State Historical Society for use at the in numerous books and magazine Circus World Museum being articles about the circus. His files organized at Baraboo.

The photographs, dating from the turn of the century, were purchased from Harry Atwell, formerly of Chicago and now of Sarasota,



MACON, Ga .--- C. C. (Speks) Groscurth, owner of the Blue Grass Shows, was successful bidder for the steam calliope of the bankrupt Jane and Clyde Jr., spent several Hunt, owner of Hunt's Three-Ring King Bros.' Circus, court officials announced this week.

There were about a dozen bids, with Groscurth offering the high figure of \$3,000.

This amount is less than half that paid by Floyd King and Arnold Maley when they bought the steam calliope on acquisition of the Lucio Cristiani interest two and a half years ago. Cristiani and King had paid in excess of \$6,000, plus

operated a photo business in Chi-

Used By Shows, Books His photographs have been used of pictures was the standard source

of supply for circus press agents over many years, and some pictures still are in use by shows.

Included are hundreds of film and glass plate negatives taken of Ringling-Barnum, Hagenbeck-Wallace, Sells-Floto, John Robinson, 101 Ranch and several other wellknown circuses. Included are views of all phases of circus operation. Most widely reproduced have been some of Atwell's pictures showing performers and animals. He has photographed all important circus features for decades.

Purchase of the collection was negotiated for the historical society by C. P. Fox, Wisconsin circus author and historian, who went with a Journal representative to complete the transaction with Atwell at Sarasota.



and extra performances were required.

Show moves on eight new straight-bed trucks and eight fourwheel trailers. This type of equipment is used by all shows here and show gets back into its home State, semi trailers are not used. The Union show also has some single trucks and a sound truck and bus. Equipment is in good shape and newly painted.

Animals now are carried in cage trailers rather than shifting cages, as was done last year. All tents, seats and chairs are new. The 20 animals in the Side Show include four elephants, two of them bought last year from Kelly-Miller.

Performance starts with a colorful spec backed by the eight-man band. Acts include Rose Marie Fuentes, elephants; Bobo Fuentes, chimps; Fuentes Brothers, trampoline; Rolin Kings, skating; Emma Valdez, trapeze; Los Hombres, flying act; Amando Esqueda; Dixion; Las Pilaricas; Los Astrales; Roberta Palmer, globe of death, and clowns. Tickets are 16 cents up to 80 cents.

Emma Valdez, who has top billing, is known in the U.S. as Emma Campos. She was with Dailey Bros.' Circus several seasons.

Jesus Fuentes, owner, tells of plans to double size of the show by next season. For long jumps it now is moved by railroad.

With this show, as with others in Mexico, government tax men are assigned to see that each ticket buyer gets a seat. They close the ticket office when capacity is reached and extra shows are given to handle the turnaways.

Carson. Business Spotty

ESTELLINE, S. D .- Tex Carson Circus had a three-quarter house for its matinee-only stand here Sunday (5), with very hot weather. Dawson, Minn. (3), had one-third houses in heavy rain.

At Sisseton, S. D., earlier, the show had a big afternoon house and gave near-full and half-full night houses in the midst of harvest activities.

SAUGERTIES, N. Y. -- Hunt number may be added to and the Bros.' Circus totaled up 90 sellouts magical round figure of 100 for the season so far and for a couple of weeks hence, when the

New Jersey.



NEWPORT NEWS, Va .--- John P. Yancey Jr.'s National Circus Museum ended its first road season at Columbia, Tenn., on Thursday (9), and returned to its base here. He said the first season was successful and that plans now are being set for a 20 or 22-week tour in 1957. Yancey also looked forward to 1958, when he said he expects to have the Museum show in Baraboon, Wis., for the Ringling anniversary observance.

This year the show played 12 States from Indiana eastward. Reviews were good in newspapers, he said. He said this tour was ended three weeks earlier than planned so as to allow some members of the staff and advance to join the Beatty show.

Mills Draws Turnaway

SALISBURY, Md.--Mills Bros. Circus played to a turnaway afternoon crowd and half house at night year's, and Fairmont, W. Va., here Saturday (4), with Kiwanis . spices. Weather was cloudy. Newspaper coverage included an interview with promoter Bill Osburne and another with elephant boss Richard (Red) Vigo.

achieved.

Manager Harry Hunt made the report as the show arrived back in New York after a successful trek thru Connecticut. The show With considerable show time has prospered in good weather and left, and all reports not yet in, bad, but the balmy recent days there is the expectation that the have demonstrated what a spell of excellent weather can mean.

In Resort Country

The show is in resort country now. After it leaves here it will play the Jersey shore, where additional thousands of vacationers will be exposed to a tented circus. By the end of the month it will have entered Pennsylvania for a series of dates before heading South on the last lap of its current tour.

The show helicopter, which had been leased to Paramount Pictures for several weeks, is back on the show and in full use for advertising cial backers on hand. and executive transportation.

Negotiations are under way for of some of the former King show the appearance of the show on the equipment from Durward B. Mer-CBS network feature, "Let's Take a cer, trustee in bankruptcy, for a Trip." The program is live, using weekly rental of \$250. Most of some film only occasionally, and an the equipment with the new show effort will be made to coincide an will be acquired from other sources, upcoming show with the circus. Mrs. Maley said.

freight and other charges of about \$500, when they acquired it earlier from Dr. Karland S. Frischkorn.

Air Calliope Sold

J. E. Wilhauck, La Fayette, Ind. was successful bidder for the air calliope with his offer of \$1,385, the court officials also revealed. Possession of the calliopes was to be delivered to the high bidders Thursday (9).

The proceeds will not be net to creditors, it was explained. Claims like banners. There are seats for against the steam calliope in a damage action, including storage and attorney's fees, amount to more than \$1,100 in Steubenville, O,

In other circus developments here Mrs. Esma Maley, president and general manager of the Esma Maley Combined Circus Corporation, left Tuesday (7) to take charge of a new show being organized in open August 18 with a delegation of Macon well-wishers and finan-

Mrs. Maley negotiated a lease

cobs Circus is operating as an attraction on the Gayland Shows in Canada. Its season began in British Columbia in May and continues until October 3. Stands have included remote Flin Flon, Man., and Dawson Creek, B. C., each involving 600-mile jumps on gravel roads.

Dolly Jacobs show is using a 60 with one 40, which is set between two semi-trailers which are painted 500. Animals are spotted in the top. Unit moves on four trucks.

Performance included Dolly Jacobs' dogs; clowns; Juanita Jacobs, ladder; clowns; Terrell Jacobs Jr., Dumbo baby elephant; Juanita Jacobs, web; clowns; Great Ricardo (Dudley Riggs), juggler; clowns; Dolly Jacobs' elephants.

Staff includes Dolly Jacobs, own-Stroudsburg, Pa. The show will er-manager; Terrell Jacobs Jr., superintendent of elephants; Charles Urquhart, announcer and press agent; George Price, props; Ed Martin, canvas; Dan Perria, sound; Doe Riggs, talker and announcer. Clowns are Doc and Alice Riggs and Dudley Riggs Jr.



BELVIDERE, Ill .--- Good business goes on for Hagen Bros.' Circus. The show is on a second swing into Illinois. Brookfield on Friday (3) had a good afternon and full night. Barrington, Saturday (4), gave a full afternoon and was 50 people short of capacity at night. Belvidere, Monday (6), had

Earlier, Clintonville, Wis. (21), The Packs organization now will had a three-quarter afternoon. Oconomowoe (26) was full in the night. Burlington, Wis. (28), had near-full and three-quarter crowds. Show did okay in Racine, Wis. (29), and Kenosha (30).

Packs Eastern Ends Big Year; Plan St. Louis Rodeo Annual

unit with a highly successful score, according to Jack Leontini, Packs executive.

Almost every stand showed an increase over last season, he said. Exceptions were Toledo, O., where this year's business equaled last where rain clobbered a day.

Wind-up of the tour came at Birmingham. Show this time used Stadium. Show will feature Dick a new and larger location, Legion Jones, the Buffalo .3ill Jr., of tele-Field, and Leontini said that the show was able to accommodate the Western props.

ST. LOUIS-Tom Packs Circus I night crowds only because of the completed the tour its Eastern increased seating capacity. Afternoons drew about 3,000 persons each, with very hot weather.

Night business in Birmingham opened with 11,000 on Wednesday (1), and then counted 16,000 on Thursday and 13,000 on the third near-full and capacity houses. night.

produce the annual Firemen's Rodeo in St. Louis, using its Oakland afternoon and three-quarters at vision, along with stunt men and



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UNDER THE MARQUEE

Harry Chipman, Calif., had the miniature circus and would like to hear from friends. of Howard Greatrex, South Pasadena, in his yard for two days clowns on Gil Gray Circus, celeand drew about 1,000 persons. Re- brated their 27th wedding annicent visitors at the Chipman home versary with a party for the show included Joe Applegate, John T. Backman, Jake Posey, George Perk- Bird and Animal Farm, Fairlee, ins; Pete Miller, who was chauffeur Vt., had his elephant at the Allen for Al G. Barnes, and Buster Cronin. They visited MaBelle Chipman, cently. His daughter, Elisabeth, apwho recently underwent surgery.

Fan Hank Fraser, Ruston, La. caught the Rabbit Foot Minstrel Show recently and visited with Bob ters on the show's first Sunday back Shivers, contracting agent. . . Elmer Jones, "king of the two-car shows," visited on Benson Bros.' about 250. Prices are \$1 and 50 Circus recently. With him was cents. Sullivan's Hall of Fame is Pete Pepke. They visited with Bill getting about 500 persons daily at Morris, Captain Engerer, Buddy \$1.25 during the off season. Geiss and Jimmy Bagwell.

visited in Chicago last week and Drysdale Brannon, Marion, Ind. expected to catch circuses in the newspaperman and friend of show area. . . . George L. Chindahl, CFA people, is at Robert Long Hospital, historian, has been visiting at Park Indianapolis, for up to six weeks Ridge, Ill., and was in Milwaukee and would enjoy mail. . . . Wild anifor a circus talk given by Dr. H. H. mal trainer Pat Anthony worked Conley at a luncheon club.

the Ellet Girls' iron-jaw act, now Atterbury's wire act also played lives in Rockford, Ill. . . . Mr. and there. . . . At Clementon Lake Park, Mrs. R. A. Lemieux, Menomenee, New Jersey, acts have included An-Mich., caught Ring, George Cole thony, Willie Lamberti, Flying Laand Hagen Bros. recently.

Dr. Hugh Grant Rowell, Madeline Park and Victor Anderson are among those who will display circus material and art August 20-25 oring Dr. William Mann, of the at the Elephant Hotel, Somers, National Zoo, Washington. He is N. Y., as part of a fund-raising staying with the zoo thru October. campaign for the circus museum |... Raymond J. Ronquist, Crystal planned there. Mrs. Mary Egan is Falls, Mich., caught Ring, Hagen heading the museum committee for and Cole circuses. . . . Don Marcks the group which recently acquired visited Polack Western at Vallejo, a stuffed elephant.

Alhambra, wood, Fla., after hospitalization Jack and Ruby Landrus, midget

people. . . . Bill Green, of the Rare A Resort, Wolfboro, N. H., repeared with the elephant on a recent CBS telecast.

Attendance at the Ringling quarwas 3,800. The second Sunday brought 1,600. Weekdays bring

The Bernardinos played the M. H. Busch, Moberly, Mo., Heart of Illinois Fair, Peoria. Willow Grove Park in Pennsylvania Irene Dean Peters, formerly in recently. James M. Cole and Bob Mars and Alcidos, with appearances by Aerial Ortons and Marcelli and Janice still to come.

CFA's had a picnic recently hon-Calif. Avery Tudor writes that Jessie Jim Hoye, of West Hartford, Tudor, of the former act, Tudor Conn., visited Walter Hohenadel, Sisters and Avery, is at her Coco- Herm and Mary Linden and the nut Drive home in West Holly- Atwell Club while visiting in Illinois. . . . Clown Carl Marx is with show, which opened in Ionia, Mich., and he'll make Orrin Davenport dates later.

Leonard Tabs **Better Crowds**

DOWNERS GROVE, III. -Leonard Bros.' Circus drew a straw house in this Chicago suburb Thursday (9). This highlighted somewhat improved business for the show.

At Harvey, Ill. (4), they had half and three-quarter houses. Oak Forest, also a suburb, came up with two half houses. Alsip gave a three-quarter night. Mattison was canceled and a lot between Lockport and Fairmount was substituted, for a pair of one-quarter houses. Then came a half house in the afternoon and the straw at night in Downers Grove, with Little League auspices.

Show laid off on Friday (10) and was set to play Aurora on Saturday (11). To follow was a swing thru Central Illinois, including Forest (15); Heyworth (16) and Macon (17).

At A irora the paper was shipped to a church which was reported to be the auspices. However, the church denied any connection and also declined to allow the paper to be delivered or used because it included mention of the church.



HOWELL, Mich. -- Business dipped for the Al G. Kelly & Miller Bros.' Circus this week. While some spots were good, others, particularly those in Indiana, were below the level turned out by other territory this season. The show has been enjoying a highly successful season. Paulding, O., on Sunday (5) had a near-full house for the matineeonly schedule. Auburn, Ind., on Monday (6) had three-quarter and near-full houses. An earlier string the Barnes-Carruthers grandstand of four Indiana towns has been off. At Howell, Thursday (9) the afternoon was fair. At 7:30 p.m. only a few were in the big top. But by 8 p.m. the seats were packed Louis Grebs is the air-calliope with a full house. The day before, Durand, Mich., also was good. the All-Star football game Friday

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player with the band on Al G. Kelly & Miller Bros,' Circus. His D. R. Miller, Frank Ellis and Ray name was accidentally omitted from Middleton flew to Chicago to see the roster published a week ago. . . . Mel Young is artist for Dick (11). Scatterday on the Kelly-Miller show. Scatterday's son, John, and his family were visitors.

this week on his way to Michigan, where he and his wife will vacation. Also passing thru Chicago were Small Villages Also passing thru Chicago were Mike Healy, Joe Trosi and Darby Hicks, chameleon merchants, en route to the Illinois State Fair.

Dusty Rhodes, now of Oshkosh, Wis., and formerly with John Robinson Circus, visited Little Bob Stevens and Bob Couls on Hagen Bros., and Franco Richards and the DeRiskie Family on Ring Bros. . . L. C. Langhart and Ben Supowit will handle billing for the Kentucky State Fair. . . . Karl L. King, former circus bandmaster, led an all-circus program of the Fort Dodge (Ia.) Municipal Band as a salute to circus business.

Eddie Arvid has left Hunt Bros. where he was doing his aerial act, and is in Eatontown, N. J. . . Alan Davidson reports Dr. J. Y Henderson was able to save Evy Karoly's rosinback horse, altho it was injured in the train accident two days prior to closing of the Ringling show.

Kitty Kelly Ronstrom writes from Polack Eastern that Wallace Love, formerly of Ringling, visited. Henry Kyes, Gene Randow, Leo (Continued on page 91)



ANAHUAC, Mexico-Vazquez Bros.' Circus played here two days recently and won good business from cotton farmers. Show moves on three trucks, three trailers and two cars. Big top is a used one, but the dressing top is new. Show carries four carnival rides.

Show management has said there are plans for expansion and for replacing present equipment.

Acts include Aida, balancing trapeze; Aurora, rope balance; Zamudio, wire; Yolanda, hand balancing; Mister Ling Troupe, acrobatic; Senor Raul, acrobatic; Chetigs, contortionists; Senor Vazques Trained Animals; the Fuentes, perch; clowns and others.

Circus plays hard-to-reach small villages that some larger shows cannot make. Tickets are 32 cents down to 8 cents, and show is making money.

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NAMES, ADS HYPO LURE **Barnes-Carruthers** No. 1 Revue Unveiled at Ionia, Mich., Fair

By HERB DOTTEN

IONIA, Mich. -- The 1956 in the pit. Barnes-Carruthers revue, unveiled at the Ionia Fair, is a superb show.

Equally important, the revue was given greater business than the '55 edition.

However, all of the credit for the increased patronage is not due to bers. the revue.

added name power.

Carruthers revue embraced the breviated ones-are of checks, yel- solid applause here. Harmonicats, an act, of course, also low and brown. In the third, "Fanrevue over its full route.

the sagging grosses, did not stop the Mariners. He pulled out a lot of stops not previously used to the same degree in the advance advertising and publicity.

Stress Names

For instance, he shifted emphasis to the headliners-the Mariners and the Harmonicats-from the "State Fair Revue." And he gave this emphasis a professional, effective touch.

fair's advertising budget and concentrated his guns on the night show. He also opened up the entrance to the grandstand. This he did by shifting the midway and moving some concessions which previously cluttered up the entrance. And he dolled up the ticket windows and the adjacent part of the grandstand. Large banners tacked on the rear of the grandstand proclaimed the names of the featured headliners in king-sized type. Cut-outs were added to dress up the ticketselling area, and these, together with many pictures of the headliners, acts and of the revue, added up to a far more effective pitch for patronage.

In its scenic pieces, the revue departs, too. The pieces are modernistic in design, devoid of flitter-

The costumes are striking and

laughter.

build-up for Nip Nelson, the versawith his impersonations of TV and pany manager.

was spotted on stage, rather than | radio headliners and his mimicking of video and radio fare.

Violinists Score "Fantasy of Strings" features the excellent dancing, in this instance glitter and are pleasing and restful adagio dancing, of McKay and to the eye. Together, the pieces Charles and highlights Ving Merprovide a fitting background for lin and his Violin Beauties, three the four colorful production num- eye-filling platinum blondes who register solidly.

The Toyland number highlights Troubled because of the dip in certain to delight fair audiences. marching steps and maneuvers of receipts last year, Allan Williams, In the first number, currently titled the strikingly and brightly arrayed Ionia fair president, on his own Rock 'n' Roll, the line-some 20 soldiers and is featured by unusual booked in the Mariners to supple- girls and 4 boys-are arrayed in lighting effects climaxed when ment the revue and give the night scarlet packets, tight-fitting black- each of the drums carried by the grandstand offering the value of and-white striped pants and green 24-member line and four guard derby hats. In the second, a take- houses on stage light up. The nov-Moreover, here the Barnes- off on TV, the costumes-ab- elty and beauty of this climax fired

Besides the Mariners and the in the name category. But the tasy in Spring," the costumes are Harmonicats in their respective vo-Harmonicats will not be with the beautiful, flounced skirts in layers cal and harmonica selections-all of white, topped by plumed hats, of which scored heavily here-other Williams, in his efforts to halt and the finale, as befits its title acts are topnotchers. In order of "Toyland," brings on the chorus in their appearance here, they were with supplementing the revue with brilliantly colored soldier uniforms. Sciplini's chimps; the Great Galas-The Rock 'n' Roll number is so, one-fingered balancing act; the highlighted by McKay and Charles, Wazzan Troupe, fast-moving nineoutstanding eccentric dancers, who member tumbling and pyramid garner much applause and no little building act, and the Aerial Brunos, a thrilling sway-pole act that fin-

The TV number actually is a ishes with a sensational break-away. Dorothy Hild produced and ditile young man who wows them rected the show. Al Burns is com-



IT'S ASTRONOMICAL NOW AT KENTUCKY STATE FAIR

LOUISVILLE---Up to now, L. (Doc) Cassidy, press agent for the Kentucky State Fair, has been talking in terms of "colossal." Now Doc's word is "astronomical." The reason is that the opening of the new multi-million-dollar fair plant here September 7 will be tied in with the planet Mars. As Doc tells it, a ray of light from Mars will turn on the lights at the new plant.

The planet, he says, will be closer to the earth that night than it has for many years. It will be another generation before it will be as close again, Doc adds.

The business of using a ray, traveling at a speed of some 186,300 miles per second, to light the plant will be directed by Dr. Charles Strull, education director for the Louisville Astronomical Society and regional director for the observation of fireballs in Kentucky. The electronic hook-up will be engineered by Martin Sweets, Louisville electronic expert.

The opening-day attractions at the fair will also tie in with what Doc describes as the "Mars gimmick." "Ice-Capades International" will have a skater, dressed in an electric suit, whiz onto darkened ice and have the lights turned on by the rays, Doc savs.

REGINA HITS TOP WITH 228,114 GATE Beats 200,000 Mark for Second Year; Pari-Mutuels Set New \$840,278 Record

gina Provincial Exhibition, which cent, or \$97,916 over last year. wound up its six-day run Saturday | Daily average betting was about (4), turned out to be the greatest \$140,000. The pari-mutuel play ever.

established, the pari-mutuels recorded new highs for the week, for a day and for a single race, and the a record. A record for a single betting and attendance figures were race, \$28,600, was also established. up every day.

REGINA, Sask .- The 1956 Re- | wickets for an increase of 13 per Saturday was the greatest the fair A new attendance record was has ever had, totaling \$220,472, an increase of \$27,382 over Saturday of last year, which at that time was

Wednesday was the second best

made some striking changes in presenting the revue itself. The or-

Valparaiso, Ind., Gets Weather, Good Turnouts

VALPARAISO, Ind. --- Given good weather during the week, the Porter County Fair, which closed its six day run Saturday (11), drew sizable crowds.

The grandstand attractions, which 'eatured wrestling on Monday evening and an Earl Newberry thrill show the next night, both played to fair turnouts. Other attractions included the Johnny Rivers Rodeo two evenings, a WLS show on Friday evening and horse pulling on Saturday night.

up good ride and show grosses. In fairs. fact, the Drew midway ran conrun.

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parties as the featured attraction. Saturday, September 15.

First 100,000 Year

Germain stated Fridav (10).

Thru that time virtually every condition was perfect for the anend. Fair runs two Saturdays and urday (4).

Sharing in the favorable wearer and big gate was the I. T. Shows' midway and independent fun units, Sam J. Levy Sr., who heads the plus two paid attractions offered Barnes-Carruthers operation, also before the grandstand. These were the Ward Beam thrill show, which played to a full house, and the chestra, directed by Izzy Cervone, GAC-Hamid package, TV Discoveries, on Wednesday (8) night, which offered two performances to good turnouts.

'Havride' a Success

is the Midwestern Havride unit which was offered free, two shows romped away to excellent business daily, Monday thru Friday. Sizable in all segments of the operation grandstand crowds have been a thru Friday (10), its fifth day.



DAYTONA BEACH, Fla.-National Association of Stock Car Thursday (9) was Kids' Day and here has announced the sanction-

sistently ahead of '55 during the have midget racing for Friday show. night, August 17. Charlie Combs Thursday evening the fair held will promote a sportsman and hoba candidate night with State, coun- by class stock car race program at

MIDDLETOWN, N. Y .--- | rarity at Middletown, and Cermain Chances were excellent this week attributed the boost in that departfor the Orange County Fair to hit ment, plus the general upswing in the 100,000 paid attendance class attendance, to the increased caliber for the first time. Manager Ken of live entertainment and free attractions offered this year.

In addition to the Midwestern Hayride, patrons are also enjoying nual, which wound up dismally last the following free commercial atseason when skirted by a hurricane tractions: The Budweiser Clydeswhich washed out the closing week- dale Horses, Bond Bread aerial spotlight, Ballantine beer Threetwo Sundays and got started Sat- Ring Girls in their sports cars, and Pepsi-Cola's Thunderbird Jr. and Korvette give-aways.

Last year, with a gate of 203,340, the fair topped the 200, 000 mark for the first time. This vear the attendance was 228,114, a healthy increase of 24,774.

Turnout for the final day was of last year's 38,336.

Biggest day in the fair's history was Wednesday (1) with 44,078 as Saturday. On the whole, the weather for the six days was good, with some rain Tuesday and a threat of rain Thursday.

Wagering Soars

A new high betting mark was set, with \$840,278 going thru the

All Segments Top '55 At Great Falls, Mont.

run, the North Montana State Fair

Indicative, the Siebrand Shows on the midway appeared headed to do as much and probably slightly more business in the six days than it did in nine last year. On a dayby-day basis, rides and shows turned in 22 per cent higher grosses for the first four days of the run vear.

the James H. Drew Shows chalked ing of auto racing at two more Carruthers revue, in after a lapse Tuesday afternoon.

of a year, did excellent business

the night attraction, was presented pany, Chicago, represented by Art Home in a Shriners' draw and two as a co-feature with the running Briese. Fred H. Kressmann was in cars in a Kinsmen club draw. The ty and district hopefuls of both the Rutherfordton, N. C., Fair on horse races, and both attendance charge of the Barnes-Carruthers Kinsmen also had nightly giveand betting on the races were up show.

day for the pari-mutuels with a total of \$184,033, up \$16,701. The races and Ernie Young's

grandstand revue attracted 78.648 customers during the week, which was 4,606 below last year's 83,254. 43,617, which was 5,281 ahead The grandstand was down on four davs.

Saturday was the second biggest day for the grandstand with a total against last year's 36,672. The of 14,819, a drop of 157 from the second biggest day of the week was same day in 1955. Largest grandstand attendance was on Monday, when 18,387 were on hand, including 11,200 children at a free morning show. Monday's total last year was 17,801. Another big day at the grandstand this year was Wednesday.

> Business on the Royal American Shows midway was on a par with last year, with Monday reported to be the biggest opener yet.

Warm Weather Aids

Thursday's warm weather attracted 38,752 to the grounds, an increase of 5,017. The grandstand, at 11,750, was down 2,006, and pari-mutuel play, at \$113,608, was raded before the grandstand at Brisk spending was reported by night and winners of farm boys' and girls' camp competitions were

The sky was overcast Friday morning but no rain fell to mar the annual Travelers' Day parade, which drew thousands to the downtown area in the morning. Gate for the day was 42,266, an increase of 457, was down 436. Betting

A brief rainfall near 8 p.m. Fri-Races (NASCAR) headquarters also brought a return to the tra- rain Monday night during the day made some parts of the fair activities.

Saturday's weather was ideal The Huntington, Pa., Fair will the first four nights of its five-night Knight, of Casa Grande, Ariz. and every section of the fair was Nightly fireworks were by the busy until closing time. Giveaways The rodeo, which last year was Thearle-Duffield Fireworks Com- Saturday night included a Dream aways.

GREAT FALLS, Mont .-- Cut substantially over last year. At the back from an experimental nine- end of the first four days, betting up \$5,589. Livestock judging was

Sharing the grandstand burden day run in '55 to its usual six-day was \$66,000 higher than for the completed, the livestock was pacomparable period last year.

concessionaires. Beer sales, for instance, were up 22 per cent over introduced. last year. Program sales in the grandstand were about equal to '55 with two more days of the fair to

Leo Dailey, fair secretary, reported that the outside gate the 1,708, and the grandstand, at 14,first four days was 16 per cent than it did on the same days last higher than for the corresponding totaled \$148,848, an increase of days last year. The strong turn- \$33,446. The return to six-day operation outs were registered in the face of ditional attraction. A Barnes- grandstand show and also late grounds messy but did not hamper

The rodeo was staged by Harry



San Mateo, Calif., Tops **'55 Gate First Six Days**

Mateo County Fair and Floral of last year's gate with 59,083, an Fiesta, which opened strong and increase of 2,851, and William M. has held its pace, seemed sure of Wilson, secretary-manager, exbeating '55 at both gate and grand- pected each of the remaining three stand. On Wednesday (8), sixth days to add proportionately to the

Chippewa Falls Overcomes Rain; Gate Is Up 5% **Olson Shows Chalk**

Up Record; Night **Grandstand Down**

CHIPPEWA FALLS, Wis .---The Northern Wisconsin District Fair, which Sunday (5) closed its six-day run, overcame two days of had weather to finish with a 5 per cent higher gate than last year and a new all-time record gross on the midway. The Olson Shows again provided the midway attractions.

Huge throngs poured out Saturday and Sunday (4-5) to offset the losses sustained Thursday (2), when rain washed out the afternoon harness horse races and the night grandstand revue, and Friday (3) when an early-morning rain, followed by threatening skies, first forced the postponement of the matinee horse races, then pruned back the turnout for the night grandstand revue.

featuring the Cytrix troupe, four English motorcyclists, accounted for excellent grandstand crowds in their matinee shows the closing two days of the fair. The night grandstand revue, booked in by Barnes-Carruthers Theatrical Enterprises, Chicago, did not fare well. Rain canceled one performance, bad weather drastically cut the turnout on another night and on the other nights, when the weather was good, patronage was down from last year.

SAN MATEO, Calif .--- The San | of the nine-day run, it was ahead overage of patrons.

.The fair used the theme of "San Mateo County, 1856-1956," with the presentation of the "Cavalcade of San Mateo County History" Tuesday night (7). The pageant was produced by Earle Caldwell and included Bob Day, KGO-TV, as narrator. Bud Moore, the Fiesta's special events director, was musical director. Scoring for the show was by Emil Breitenfeld.

Wilson used the one-pay gate to the fairgrounds and entertainment with the charge being 85 cents for adults and 25 cents for children, except on Kids' Day.

Continuous Shows

Continuous entertainment was offered in various parts of the fairgrounds. The Fiesta Western-Aires, strolling musical group, made regular appearances in the various buildings. Four clowns, Count Popo de Bathe, Larry (Bozo the Clown) Valli, Boo Boo, and stiltwalking Harold DeGarro were on hand each day.

The free stageshows, booked and produced by Isabelle Whall, of Fun Unlimited, San Francisco, for the first four days presented the Four King Sisters with Johnny Matson, musical comedian, and the Mason-Kahn Dancers. Opening Wednesday night (8) were the Sportsmen, singing group; Ked Card, comedy banjoist, and Bud Moore and his orchestra. In "The

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DU QUOIN, ILL., GETS CLASSIC FOR TWO YEARS

GOSHEN, N. Y .--- The Du Quoin (III.) State Fair Wednesday (7) was awarded the Hambletonian, trotting classic stake race, for two years by the Hambletonian Society here. The Du Quoin fair, which is operated by Don and Eugene Hayes, prominent in harness racing, will have the race for two years, probably 1958 and 1959. Vote of the society was unanimous.



ORANGEBURG, S. C .--- Secretary W. A. Schiffley reports completion of additions to the permanent steel stands in both ends of the football stadium on the fair grounds, which will increase the seating capacity to approximately 8,500. General renovations and repairs have been going forward for some time so as to have the grounds in shape for fair week, October 15, one week ahead of the State Fair.

L. S. Wolfe handles publicity for the fair association, which is very football-minded. The field is kept carefully groomed for the annual classic in which Citadel Col-Little Tent," Miss Whall offered lege meets Wofford to provide one

OTTAWA GIVING AWAY \$25,000 HOME PRIZE

FAIRS-EXPOSITIONS

for the first time here, and certainly far from a common enterwith instant public approval.

In addition to undertaking the huge giveaway-which will supplement the annual award of seven automobiles during the event-the directors have voted to honor the CCE's veteran official, H. H. Mc-Elroy, by naming a new, modernstyle building after him.

A cost of some \$400,000 has been determined for the building, which will be 200 feet square and be located immediately east of the grandstand building.

"The "H. H. McElroy Agricul-

OTTAWA-Tremendous inter- tural and Industrial Exhibit Buildest has been shown in the drawing ing" will look after the expanded award of a completely furnished, requirements of the agricultural \$25,000 home at the Central Can- department, handicrafts, hobby ada Exhibition. Being attempted show, women's institute, and other related exhibits. Construction will begin immediately after this year's prise for fairs, the scheme has met August 18-25 exhibition, with the cost to be contributed in equal \$100,000 shares by the Federal Department of Agriculture, the Ontario Government, the Corporation of the City of Ottawa, and the CCE.

The new home giveaway tickets are selling for \$1. Called the "Exhibition Dream Home," it is a smartly designed bungalow located at the main entrance to the Lansdowne Park grounds. At the conclusion of the grandstand show the last night of the exhibition, the drawing will be held and the home, together with its contents, awarded.



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Tenn. State Inks High Act

NASHVILLE -- The Tennessee State Fair will feature the helicopter trapeze act of Larry Ruhl and Sandy Winters the first three days of the September 17-22 run, County Judge Beverly Briley announced last week.

The act, which will perform in front of the grandstand was booked thru J. T. (Jimmy) Hetzer, Huntington, W. Va.

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Harry Brinkley. Callahan-Northeast Fla. Fair. Oct. 16-19 H. O. Stratton.

Fannin Springs-Suwannee River Youth Fair. Oct. 5-6. L. C. Cobb, Trenton. Inverness-Citrus Co. Fair, Nov. 6-10

Quentin Medlin. Marlanna-Jackson Co. Fair & Livestock Expo. Oct. 8-13. W. W. Glenn,

Panama City-Bay Co. Fair. Oct. 29-Nov. 3. D. C. Suggs.

Quincy-Gadsden Co. Tobacco Festival & Fair. Oct. 18-20. Fred Brinkman. Starke-Bradford Co. Fair. Oct. 22-27. A

L. Crosby Jr. Webster-Sumter Breeder Show & County

Fair. Nov. 7-10. T. Noble Brown.

Tennessee

Jamestown-Fentress Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 6-8. P. G. Crooks.

Puppets for the first three days; Homer Snow and his seals, three for the local high school games.

days starting Monday (6). John A. Strongs Circus was scheduled for two days, Thursday and Friday (9-10), and Wayne Roland, ventriloquist, on Saturday (11), the closing day.

While no figures were available on the afternoon grandstand attendance and pari-mutuel betting attractions at its rodeo this year, for the horse-racing meet, a representative said that it exceeded last year's.

Crafts Exposition Shows, managed by Roger Warren, were featured on the midway.

Stadium is also the home grounds



WACO, Tex .--- The Heart O' Texas Fair will feature two name Eddie Dean and Preston Foster.

Dean, Western motion picture, radio and television actor, is also known for his recordings. Foster, a veteran Hollywood actor, is currently in a TV film series.

BALLYHOO PLUS BY LIONS

New Sponsors Loose Flood Of Petersburg Publicity

weather shows up on fair week, year's fairgrounds fire, this year's committee members here don't see grandstand attractions, and the how they can miss surpassing any- fair's new entrance gate. Two thing ever experienced - in these more WXEX-TV shows are schedparts. The Lions Club, first-time uled prior to the opening, and sponsors, have a Southside Vir- there will be a remote camera on ginia Fair committee of nine men, the grounds during the event. seven of whom are associated with Hiddleston, station's farm director, local newspapers, radio and TV is co-operating fully. outlets.

and clever on the publicity side, music from "Cinerama Holiday" with the October 1-6 dates being worked into the commercial. circulated far and wide.

30 boards of 24-sheet size, and will place cards on 78 trucks be-longing to local businessmen. service club meetings and civic Space will also be used outside luncheons in the area. buses in Petersburgh, Hopewell and Colonial Heights, beginning plugged thru a tie-in with Safeway two weeks prior to the fair. A total of 3,300 sheets of paper, fiber banners and window cards is being distributed.

Novel Table Card

A novel, barn-shaped table card Lions Club and local telephone, is being placed on tables in every restaurant within a 40-mile area, Manager Ralph Lockett notes.

Lockett was interviewed Saturday (4) by Loren Hiddleston on fers at all, it won't be for lack of WXEX-TV for 15 minutes, during publicity or advertising.

PETERSBURG, Va. --- If fair which pictures were shown of last

Radio announcements being Plans this year are ambitious framed will use "Come to the Fair"

Members of the directors' board For example: The fair is using consistute a "speakers' bureau" boards of 24-sheet size, and which is offering short talks and

Grandstand show will be food stores for three weeks prior to the fair, and, in addition, a fourcolor mailing piece slanted toward grandstand acts is going out with bills and correspondence of the

electric and water companies. While the sponsors realize nothing can be a sure thing, they are certain that if this year's event suf-

outdoor field. For the past several seasons he operated a circus unit which played at fairs and also stilldated on fairgrounds. He continues as producer of the Shrine indoor circus at Cincinnati.

Horstman directed much of the promotional work on the ice shows, including the block sale of tickets.

icy. Heretofore, the fairs handled all of the on-the-spot promotional work. The shift in policy stemmed from demands by some fairs because of declining grosses of recent years from their grandstand revues.

willer, fair president, announced.



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Added Kids' Day Boosts RAS Biz At Fort Williams

Ride, Show Receipts Climb 20% First Four Days; SedImayr Honored

FORT WILLIAMS, Ont .- An | Dick Best's Side Show third. added kids' day at the Canadian Lakehead Exhibition here played a on the trying move in here from big part in upping the Royal Amer- Regina. It railed out of Regina ican Shows' midway gross over last early Sunday morning (5) and aryear.

Monday (6), enjoyed two bumper Monday afternoon. kids' days, with Tuesday, the usual day for the youngsters; returning a sharply higher gross than last year and Thursday, the added kids' day, also yielding a substantially higher gross than the same day last year.

At the end of the first four days the Royal's ride and show receipts were up about 20 per cent over that for the same period of '55, and indications were that the show would hold to that pace thru the finish. The only bad weather during the first four days was encountered Wednesday, when rain fell during the afternoon. The skies cleared at night and the midway of the fair, which closed Saturday was given good business.

Mayer, topped the shows. Leon Claxton's Harlem in Havana was the second highest grosser, with

The show train made a fast run rived here in time for all equip-The six-day event, which opened ment to be up and ready to go late

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BEAM BEAMING AS RESULT OF FREE KID DAY

BUTLER, Pa. --- Last weekend's Pennsylvania rains made Merle Beam the most popular man in town here during fair week. Routing from West Virginia, his show ran into the worst of the storm and the office truck blew a tire and didn't arrive until 11 p.m. Monday (6). Beam had no tickets as a result, so the Kiddieland was operated free all day Monday. Radio and newspapers gave the event wide coverage, and the publicity drew such crowds that he was really beaming by mid-week.

Strates Tabs Gain At Clearfield Fair

fect weather prevailing thru Friday (3) and promised thru closing Saturday (4) the James E. Strates Shows grossed increases over those of last year at the Clearfield Fair.

The weather could hardly have been better for fair activity. The days were warm and clear and rain ample exposure to the populace. never made its appearance. The nights were a little cool but described as pleasant for the most day and be ready for the Saturday part.

Interest in the territory is in rides principally, but other units were reported doing very well, particularly Nate Eagle's Hollywood Midgets, and Jack Norman's Broadway to Hollywood Revue.

Good Fair Start

The good start at the season's first fair built the hope that the fall season will be a banner one. Despite considerable adverse weather, the show fared rather well at its early dates and can look to fairs For Playtime early dates and can look to fairs for smooth sailing.

Next week the show heads for a 10-day stand, August 6-15, at Erie, Pa. The in-town stand-within eight blocks of downtown-is reported the first to be held by a similar grosser among the shows. Jerri organization in a number of years. The lot, a new one, required con-

ond. Hodges' Side Show and Earl siderable work under the direction Purtle finished close for third of Allan Travers, general agent. Starr DeBelle, in from a reconnais-

CLEARFIELD, Pa .- With per- | sance trip, reported prospects excellent. The auspices is made up of combined veterans groups. The 18.000 workers at a Ceneral Electric plant all will pass the show grounds on their way to and from work, so that there is sure to be

> At Erie the show will tear down on a Wednesday, move on Thursopening of the Hamburg (N. Y.) Fair.

New England Money Looser

MARSHFIELD, Mass. --- Outlook for the carnival business at fairs seems better than in several years, according to Eugene W. Burr, operator of Playtime Amusement Company of Quincy, who has his unit at the 89th Marshfield Fair.

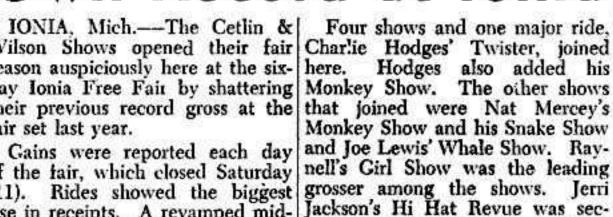
Burr cites a business rise of some 20 per cent. With him are his two sons, John R. and George W.

Despite starting his tour of New England in several inches of snow which was followed by many rainy days, Burr thinks the Yankeeland money is flowing more freely this year. He attributed a couple of dull seasons to the lure of television, which he thinks is no longer holding people as it used to even a year ago. He thinks it has leveled off as an entertainment, and families are once more seeking the old-time amusements. Some of the old-timers with him at this stand are John W. Todd, Ferris Wheel; Gerard Doucette, Octopus; Johnnie Legasse, Chairplane, and Tony Alfano, Merry-Co-Round. Also here is Mrs. J. W. Todd with her Dzra's Farm. She and her husband, John, have also bought a monkey show which will be added this week. Also here is the West Brothers' side show. Burr's fair dates include Tops-The show had several visitors field; Wilmington, Vt.; Plymouth here, including Mrs. George A. and Rochester, N. H., and Cum-

Cetlin & Wilson Tops Own Record at Ionia IONIA, Mich.--The Cetlin & Four shows and one major ride,

Wilson Shows opened their fair Charlie Hodges' Twister, joined season auspiciously here at the six- here. Hodges also added his day Ionia Free Fair by shattering Monkey Show. The other shows their previous record gross at the that joined were Nat Mercey's fair set last year.

(11). Rides showed the biggest Watercade, featuring Lottie rise in receipts. A revamped midway line-up, with attractions doubled up and with the units backed deeper into the far end of the grounds, was cited as one of the



money honors.

Sub Date Pans **Out Nicely** For Vivonas

NEVILLE ISLAND, Pa. -- A replacement date here, booked practically overnight, proved surprisingly good for the Amusements of America last week. Ladies' night on Monday (30) drew well and attendance picked up nightly.

The Vivona operation, playing new territory not far from Coraopolis, managed to get out from under the rain for the first week in some time, except for the Saturday (4) matinee, which was washed out. Night business on that day, however, was very good from 6 p.m. until after midnight.

Committee here co-operated fully, and Danny Dell did his best job since becoming legal adjuster.

Floyd Motter joined here with four concessions. Tony Mason reopens his Stars of Tomorrow revue at the opening fair date, Huntington, Pa., with several new acts.

reasons for the upped business. Game concessions, more numerous than last year, benefited by the change.

Silk, Lewis **Join Forces**

MARTINSBURG, W. Va. -Angelo Longo, general manager of Silk City Shows, and Ted Lewis, owner of the show bearing his name, have combined their equipment for the fair season. Title is now Silk City Combined Shows.

Total line-up on the new organization will include 14 rides, 8 shows, 2 light plants and upward of 50 concessions, Longo announced. Staff lists Longo as general manager; Lewis as manager and secretary-treasurer; Jack J Perry, general agenf; Willie Lewis, concessions manager.

Front end personnel includes Charles Anderson, Abe Bonario, Dorothy Lewis, Pat and Dennis Little, Melvin Martin, Floyd Lewis, Dutch Whitesides, Slim Barry, Mickey Vagell, Sam Swain, George Miller, George Price and Augie Longo.

Cold Nights Nip WOM **Bangor Fair Grosses**

cold nights nipped at the earnings than \$4,000. of the World of Mirth Shows on the

midway of the Bangor Fair here. Last year the show turned in a record gross for the event.

On Friday (3) the prospects were that the cold nights would continue thru the finale Saturday (4). As a result there was little hope that the earnings of last year would be equaled.

The show had a big children's day on Tuesday (31), with the rides reported equaling the take of a year ago,

Owner Frank Bergen added strength to the show for this, the first fair. The girl show, Club 18, went into operation here for the first time. The Dixie Gordon unit

BANGOR, Me. --- Extremely | had new stage settings costing more

The lights towers, under construction for several weeks, were painted and fluorescent lighting added. A four-piece Western band was added to the rodeo show.

Bergen reported that a new Twister and a Caterpillar had been purchased. Both rides are being shipped into Ottawa for the fair there.

In view of the weather, Bergen said he was pleased with the results at his first fair. He said all indications pointed to good business thruout the remainder of the route.

Hamid Sr. and Carlton Larson, berland, Monmouth and Freyburg, manager of Brockton, Mass., Fair Me.

Gouverneur Opens Strong **Hoard-Mullis** For Buck; \$1,300 for MSA GOUVERNEUR, N. Y .--- O. C. | helped out of trouble by Bill Bel-**Contract Seven** Buck got off to a good start here dock. at the fair on Monday (6), and the **Georgia Dates**

following day's business was also satisfactory despite the kiddle matince being rained out.

Rain fell at 5 p.m., but the storm cleared about 7:30. As a result of wet conditions the grandstand will open for their string of fall show had to be called off, permitfair dates on September 10 with ting the midway to get a steady the American Legion Festival at play thruout the evening. Another Gordon, Ga., in the heart of the kiddle day was set for Friday (10).

In previous weeks only fair busicounty-sponsored fairs will follow, ness was registered at Newport, Vt., and Ticonderoga, N. Y., with Route will include these week- the latter producing good spending

Jamboree a Success

A \$1,300 jamboree for the Miami Showmen's Association was put on at Keene, N. H., and another will be held next week at the fair in Elmira. Lunch boxes were auctioned off for as much as \$65 by Owner Buck, and entertainment was provided by Betty Hutton, Danny Dorso, Charley Hutton, Joe Marchanio and Bob Mc-Clure. A refreshment bar was provided for the ride boys by Sid Goodwalt, Jim Quinn, Curley Cowart, Bob McClure, Stach Grey and George Gordon. Event was in charge of Gordon, Marchanio, Hutton and Dorso,

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rawlings (Continued on page 86) and Tupper Lake. Costello was and are doing well, it is reported.

Coleman Maintains Okay Earnings at Norwich

NORWICH, M. Y .--- The high level of earnings attain d in recent weeks by the Coleman Bros.' Shows was continued thru this week, with a very fine week which has been a-building on the Chenango County Fairgrounds here.

Weather has been excellent with the exception of a light rain on Wednesday (8) which did no harm at all. Attendance and spending the fair in Boonville, which went County Fair, Jefferson, September made with one mishap, when have been exceptional, Coleman along in so-so fashion until week's 24; Butts County Fair, Jackson, Bobby Costello's car and new reported, and midway earnings to- end, when a big Friday and Satur- October 1; Okmulgee Fair, Mc- trailer jack-knifed and nearly went ward week's end were nearly day (3-4) enabled the midway to Rae, October 8; Johnson County over a bank between Saranac Lake have taken over the Motordrome double what had been expected. close in good shape.

Tuesday, Kiddies' Day, was big, and the high spot for the week was hit on Thursday night, firemen's night. Some 20 companies took part in the festivities, and demand was such that two shows for the all in Georgia. Gene Holter racing ostriches were held.

INDIAN SPRINCS, Ga. -Hoard & Mullis Amusements chalk-mining territory. Seven more

long fairs: Hart County Fair, Hart- but short attendance. The trip over Norwich came r the heels of well, September 17; Jackson the mountains to Potsdam was



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MIDWAY CONFAB

owners of Tri-State Shows, re-Madison, S. D., cottage. Count Hilderbrand was toastmaster and a buffet lunch was served on the the first time. . . . Mr. and Mrs. patio. Guests included Dollie and Don Miller, Mr. and Mrs. William L. Slout, Billy Craig, Count and Mrs. Hilderbrand, Mr. and Mrs. Nick Fumara, Chief and Mrs. that the big event has occurred. Moran and their daughter, Charles Briggs, Mr. and Mrs. Barney Gage, Robert L. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Marshall, Mr. and Mrs. Ray gone by Harry Newfield, who is Finley, Charles Pearson, Mary recuperating in Veterans Hospital, Amacher, Carol Clausen, Leo Hie- Coral Gables, Fla., where he mendinger, Mr. and Mrs. Ben would like to hear from friends. Gayken and William Gayken.

Recent visitors to the James H. Drew Shows included Jack Kaplan, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. McCarter and Mr. and Mrs. Don Greco. . . . Mrs. Alma Lea Murray and daughter, Caroline, recently drove from Bamberg, S. C., to visit E. A. (John) Shows. . . . Lew (Blinky) Bernstein, Milwaukee liquor distributor, was a daily visitor on Olson Shows during its lake front stand there.

again after being confined to a at the August 6-11 event. . . hospital at Staunton, Va. . . Sahara Rose, of Golden State to catch the Page Greater Shows.



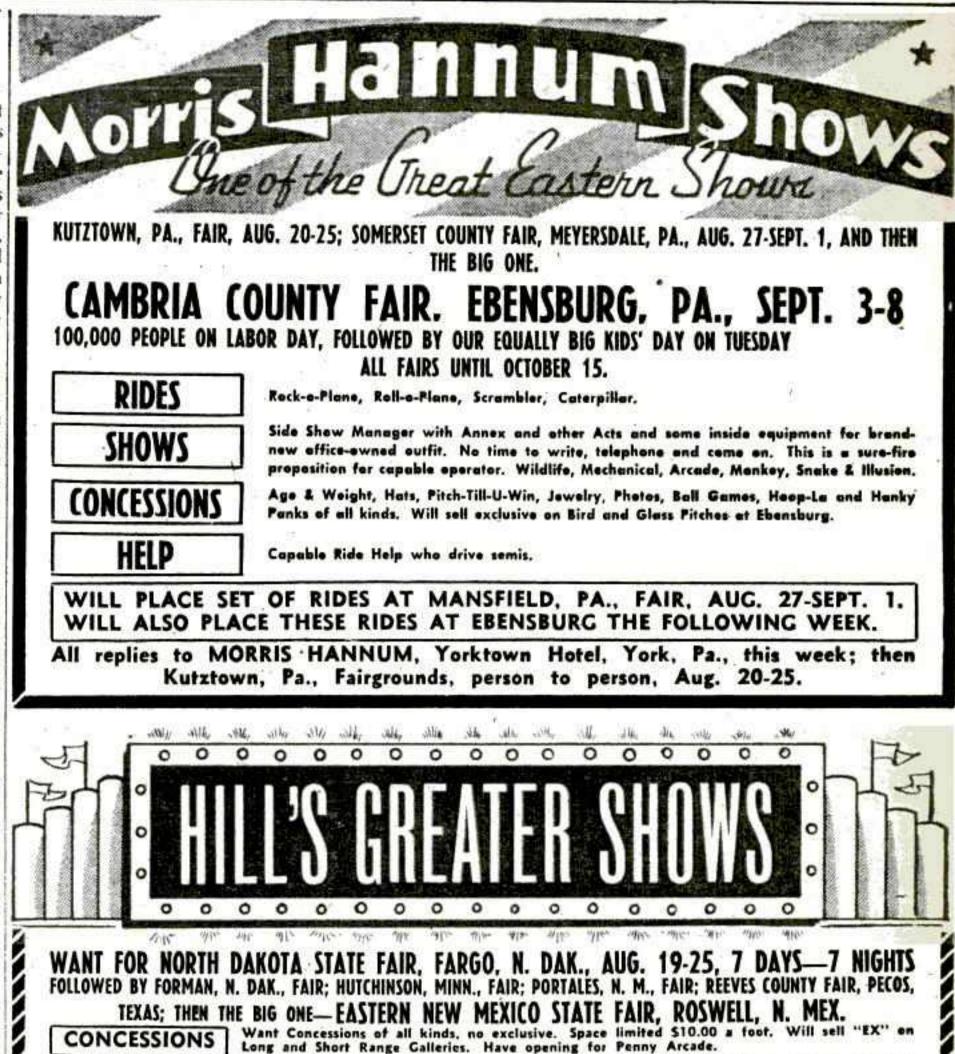
Mr. and Mrs. Al Brown, new Jackie Lynn on Gold Medal at Bristol, Va. Jack Monroe, who has cently entertained concession per- the Side Show on Gold Medal, resonnel of the show at their Lake ports he had the best week of the season at Bristol. Show used its new 120 by 40-foot top there for **Buddy Bernstel** recently announced the birth of a daughter, Brenda Sue, July 19 in Lebanon, Pa. Buddy plans to get back on the road now

> Major surgery involving amputation of a foot has been under-Newfield says he has hopes of returning to the road next season.

Ben Morrison, Detroit showman, recently left the Motor City in a new Packard to drive to Hot Springs and Los Angeles. He will then fly to Honolulu for two weeks and en route back will visit the Murray on Denton's Gold Medal California State Fair as well as other California and Nevada spots.

Spencer A. Stine was scheduled to have the novelties at the Vienna (Va.) Firemen's Fair, while H. Jackie Lynn is up and around Snyder was to provide the rides Billy Richards stopped off recently Shows, visited Sherrie Dean and . . . Hayes Brown writes that he was recently a guest of Dollie Jovce at her New Jersey home.

> Frenchy, veteran member of Wade Greater Shows, was guest of honor at a recent surprise birthday party. Guests and participants included Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Zingo, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Burd, Mr. and Mrs. Doug Hanrahan, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Smith, Earl Kelly, Silent Brownie, Jack LaRue, Don Gibbs, Mr. and Mrs. Jean Kelly, Bill Sheridan, Mr. and Mrs. Mike O'Connor, Cameron Murray, Mr. and Mrs. Felton Yerxa, Ralph Skaff, Earl Wagner, Mary Bobby Davis, Toppy Everett, Richard Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Ott McGinnis and Nat Dardson.



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Col. Lew Alter, whose Side Show is with W. G. Wade, reports his personnel includes DeWise Purdon, handless and No. 1 talker; George Surtes, second talker; Larry A. Martin, general manager; Helen Alter, treasurer and tickets; George Spears Jr., annex; Dolores Surtees, inside lecturer; P. Householder, cowboy songs; Lou and Louise Spears, annex; Mary La-Franck, snakes; LaBell Rose, iron tongue; Jack Rose, tattoo; Bill Mark, tickets; Rammy Samy, magic. and Schlitz, pinhead. Following the Detroit fair the show will head for Eastern and Southern fairs.

Howard Lawrendeau, formerly with Lauther's Side Show, closed recently to join Bentley's back-end unit on 20th Century. . . . Jack Kellow, Morris Hannum concessionaire, is driving a new Oldsmobile. . . . Mrs. Pancakes Whitey Hewitt visited Cetlin & Wilson at Ionia, Mich. . . . Donald Cooper is managing Kellow's long and shortrange galleries.

Visitors to the Vivona midway in Neville Island, Pa., included show operator Frank Caravella and Louis and Dave Rosenberg, of Triangle Poster Company. Lola Conklin, managing the Side Show, left briefly for Tacoma, Wash., for the settlement of her father's estate.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Tyler have taken over the Girl Show operation on the O. C. Buck Shows, and Lana has the Posing Show, Roy Pugh advises. Happy Linguist has arrived from Florida to assist as drummer and stage manager. Jimmy Quinn has acquired a trailer for an office.

SHOWS Drome and Motor Drome. RIDES Will book Scrambler, Sky Fighter and Spitfire. LISA DEL MAR DEE WYRICK HEDY JO STAR Wants Countermen, Caller and General Wants Talker and Girls for complete Wants Freaks to feature in large Side Help for Bingo. new Girl Show Frame-Up. Wire or phone: H. P. HILL, Mgr., Wadena County Fair, Wadena, Minn., Aug. 14-18

Can place Shows of all kinds, Fun House, Glass House, Mechanical, Freak, Wildlife, Monkey

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CLEANEST MIDWAY ON EARTH

Wanf—Concessions & Shows for Adams County Fair, Abbottstown, Pa., Aug. 20-25th

Now Booking for Cumberland County Fair, Bridgeton, N. J., Sept 3d-8th. Have openings for Ten-in-One, Motordrome, Fun House, Wildlife, Monkey Show and two more Girl Shows. Tony Bariss, answer.

We can always use GOOD RIDE MEN.

All Replies

MICHAEL DEMBROSKY

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CARNIVALS

AUGUST 18, 1956

86 Jim Drew Ahead of '55 CRAFTS 20 **BIG SHOWS** Now Booking Shows and Concessions for the **Despite Rough Spring Following Fall Fairs:** San Mateo County Fair, Aug. 3-11; San Mateo; Place County Fair, Aug. 8-12; Roseville; Yola County Fair, Aug. 16-19; Woodland; Merced County Fair, Aug. 22-26; Merced; Amador County Fair, Aug. 24-26, Plymouth; Kings County Fair, Sept. 13-16, Hanford; CAGES VALPARAISO, Ind. --- Despite ahead of 1953, when Drew last Lodi Grape Festival, National Wine Fair, Sept. 13-16, Lodi; Tulare County Fair, Sept. spring weather that cut into grosses, played the town. The Gibson City, 18-23, Tulare; Santa Cruz County Fair, Sept. 20-23; Watsonville; Fresno District Fair, Minimum order, forty birds. the James H. Drew Shows were Ill., fair, played by Drew this year Oct. 5-14, Fresno. running well ahead of '55 profit- for the first time, yielded a good Shipped F.O.B. Los Angeles. Roy Shepard, ride superintendent, can use capable Ride wise. Owner Drew pointed out gross, he said. And the rides and Help and Ticket Sellers. Cash or Money Order with that the bad weather was concen- shows opened well here Monday CRAFTS 20 BIG SHOWS trated at a couple of still dates (6) with total take showing a shoporder. which were virtual washouts. The ping increase over the same night 7283 Bellaire Avenue, North Hollywood, California. 24-HOUR SERVICE other stands, however, more than last year. Phone: Poplar 50909 or Poplar 50320 made up for this loss of business. In addition to Gibson City, the Phone Elliott 9-4591 The show, which was here last organization has added the Terre week for the Porter County Fair, Haute, Ind., fair. From Terre WELLS BIRD FARM WANTED FOR THE FOLLOWING SPOTS: had played three annuals before Haute, it will play a still date in trucking here, all of which came Ashland, Ky., long closed to car-2143 South Myrtle Avenue up with good spending. The Cov- nivals, and then head for fairs in CONCESSIONS-Jewelry, Cook House, Pop Corn, Novelties, Age Monrovia, California ington, Ind., fair, played for the Virginia, Tennessee, North Caroseventh year, was close to 25 per lina. South Carolina and Georgia. and Scales, Arcade, Glass Pitch, Mug Joint, Games of all kinds. cent ahead of last year while the Last scheduled fair is another new SHOWS of all kinds. WANTED Nappanee, Ind., event was sharply one, Bay County Fair, Panama City, Fla., which will wind up the Riffman, Ohio-Aug. 20 to 25 season November 10. Moundsville, W. Va., Fair-Aug. 28 to Sept. 1 Tibbs, Keeler Line-up here included a total of 12 rides, major and kid, a Dark Pennsboro, W. Va., Fair-Aug. 28 to Sept. 1 Ride, and six back-end shows. On Dancers Show Girls the back end were an Illusion, Fun-POWELSON AMUSEMENTS Form New Show · Waitresses · Novelty house, Monkey Motordrome, snakes, gal show and Mechanical PHONE 1088-M BOX 125, COSHOCTON, OHIO Exotics Musicians Village. Good pay-Steady work SAVANNAH, Ga .--- Roy Tibbs New to the line-up was an air and John Keeler, veteran outdoor TOMMY THOMAS calliope recently purchased from **JOE SCIORTINO WANTS** Club Mardi Gras. 92 Duval St. showmen, have joined forces and the Cozatt Organ Company, Dan-Key West, Florida will operate as Modernistic Shows, ville, Ill., and mounted on a Chev-Phone 6-9147 after 9 P.M. Tibbs announced last week. rolet truck. The unit, which is The show is scheduled to carry being played by Bob Kelly, former COLORED PERFORMERS AND MUSICIANS. Enlarging Show for Fairs, Can place **REID'S GOLDEN STAR SHOWS** 10 rides, three shows and several circus musician, is being used for Chorus Girls; must be young and attractive. Can also use Specialty and Novelty Acts. office concessions, Tibbs said. He downtown ballies and concerts and WANTS GIRLS for White Girl Show and Posing Show; state experience. Wardrobs furwill handle the office and front- regular concerts on the fairgrounds. nished and top salaries paid. Transportation furnished after you join. For Greene Co. Fair, Aug. 20 to 25; Drew disclosed that he recently end, while Keeler is scheduled to MEN wanted with experience on canvas. Must drive semi, DRINKING NOT TOLsupervise the rides. Show plans to purchased an additional six acres Maynardville, Tenn., Aug. 27 to Sept. ERATED ON THESE SHOWS; if you drink, DON'T answer. Answer to play Georgia and Florida fairs into adjoining his winter quarters out-1; Wartsburg, Sept. 3 to 8. side of Augusta, Ga., and planned the winter. Concessions of all kinds-Fishpond, Pitch-Till-U-Win, Glass Pitch, Popcorn, J. Sciortino, c/o Blue Grass Shows, La Porte, Ind., this week; to erect two concrete block build-Snow Ball, Cotton Candy, Legal Adc/o Thomas Joyland Shows, Crown Point, Ind., Aug. 20-25; ings on the 12-acre plot this fall. juster with own Concessions. Shows-Hoard-Mullis Girl Show, Geek Show, Snake Show, Monkey Show, Ride Help-Foreman for Merry-Go-Round, Second Men on all Staff here, in addition to Drew, Detroit follows.

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| | | Western Union, Greeneville, Tenn. |
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| WANTED AT ONCE | Fair, Wrightsville, October 15; manager; Earl Shoemaker, bill- Bryan County Fair, Pembroke Oc- | |
| Shows of Merit for All Fairs to Follow | tober 22; Liberty County Colored Fair, Hinesville, October 29. | RIDE MEN WANTED |
| Have opening spot for Side Show Operator. We furnish top, banner line and transportation. Will book any legitimate Concession. Especially need Side Show of merit for all fairs, including Puyallup. Contact Douglas Greater Shows, Tillamook, Oregon, and Centralia Fairs to follow, then per route. | Show expects to benefit from military payrolls at the Bryan County Fair, located five miles from Camp Stewart with its 50,000 military personal. Equally well located is the Liberty County Fair, operating this year on a free | Foremen for No. 5 Ferris Wheel, Octopus, Rolloplane, Smith & Smith Chairplane and Allan Herschelt Merry-Go-Round. Also Second Men for all Rides. All replies TROY E. WILLIAMS Williams Amusement Co. |
| DOUGLAS GREATER SHOWS P.S.: Don Dowis, contact if interested in booking Puyallup. | base. Hoard & Mullis is operated by brothers-in-law Dan Hoard, who is Brooks, lot superintendent. | |
| DEL FLORE AMUSEMENTS WANT FOR SCIO, OHIO, STREET FAIR, AUG. 23-24-25 DELLROY, OHIO, ON THE STREETS TO FOLLOW WANT CONCESSIONS Can Place Candy Floss, Candy Apples, Coke Bottles | grounds superintendent, and El- bert Mullis, in charge of the office. Ten rides and a number of shows will be carried. Many of the con- cessions will be office-owned, others will be booked. Ride foreman are: Ferris Wheels, George Treadwell; Merry - Go- Round, Happy Dawley; Spitfire, | Male or Female. Those doing Specialty preferred. State salary and give full details in first letter. MRS. I. ROSE c/o Gooding Amusement Co. 1300 Norton Road Columbus 8, Ohio |
| Custard, Photos, Jewelry, Lead Gallery, Scales and Age, French Fries, High Striker, Novelties, Hats, Balloon Darts and ALL legitimate Concessions. Write or Wire AL DEL FLORE CONNELLSVILLE, PA., THIS WEEK. | T. J. (Teeter) Coleman. Danny Hoard and Elbert Mullis Jr., will assist their fathers in the general operation of the show. During the summer, the partners operate the Hoard & Mullis Amusement Park, located halfway | TILT WANTED Will buy Tilt-a-Whirl now or at end of season, Write W. E. MORGAN |
| REWARD \$250.00 REWARD FOR INFORMATION LEADING TO AND FINDING OF THE FOLLOWING LISTED EQUIPMENT: 1 #5 Eli Ferris Wheel, Serial #289. Loaded in 1 Kingham Van (closed), 30 ft., single axie. Serial #30874. 1000x20 Tires. Light Plant, Caterpiliar Diesel, with one 100 kw. Generator and one 30 kw. Generator Loaded on Kentucky Trailer, Serial #54162, Trailer #77. Contact BOB K. PARKER, OWNER BOX 111 (Phone: \$01J) P.S.: The above was formerly on Royal Crown Shows. | between Atlanta and Macon at Indian Springs, said to be the old- est State Park in America. N 10 ⁶ N | P. O. Box 670 Anniston, Alabama CATERPILLAR FOREMAN Want experienced sober Man. Will pay top salary. Must be able to handle tunnel. Write or wire HOWARD G. SERVICE ABERDEEN, MD. |
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| WANT WANT WANT WANT For the following Fairs: Columbus Junction, Iowa, Aug. 13-16; Greenfield, Iowa, Aug. 17-19; Beatrice, Nebr., Aug. 20-23; Crete, Nebr., Aug. 24-26; Winfield, Kansas, Aug. 28-31. Oklahoma, Arkansas and Louisiana Fairs to follow. We have open midway except Floss, Sno-Cone and Popcorn. Concessions, come on. Contact me at Columbus Junction, Iowa, for location thru fairs. Will pay good Wheel Man \$60.00 week. Must be sober and reliable and can drive. Also Operator for Fun House. Per route: | "She's my wife, used to lay around the trailer all day, so I put her to good use." -Mike C. Piccolo, 3440 Louisa St., Pittsburgh 13. | Space Available In Toledo Gift, Music & Home Festival, Nov. 3-11, for suitable Displays. Write Successful, Enterprises |

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THE BILLBOARD

CARNIVALS

87 SHOWMEN'S DAY STANDARD SHOWS $C \star \star O$ Pomona Fair Want for Jackson Fair, Aug. 22-25; Thermopolis Rodeo, Aug. 29-Sept. 3. Both in Wyoming. To Host PCSA WANT SHOWS AND CONCESSIONS. CAN PLACE FOR THE FOLLOWING FAIRS HAVE ENOUGH RIDES. Bob Cumberland can use Ride Help. Must drive. LOS ALAMOS ATOMIC FAIR, LOS ALAMOS, NEW MEXICO; EL PASO COUNTY FAIR, EL PASO, TEXAS; SOUTHERN Contact **On Big Day** V. C. JOHNS OKLAHOMA FAIR, ARDMORE, OKLAHOMA; TEXAS-OKLAHOMA FAIR, IOWA PARK, TEXAS; FORT HOOD FALL CELE-Big Piney, Wyoming, Aug. 15-18. BRATION (ON THE BASE) KILLEEN, TEXAS. POMONA, Calif.-Members of CARNIVAL WANTED the Pacific Coast Showmen's Assothe Pacific Coast Showmen's Asso-ciation and its Ladies' Auxiliary HELP: SHOWS: **CONCESSIONS:** 8 Rides, Concessions will be guests of the Los Angeles County Fair here on Showmen's No "Girly" Shows or direct gambling. Want Roll-o-Plane and Scooter Need Snake, Motor Drome, Side Can place a few more Hanky SEPT. 2 and 3, 1956— Foremen. Also Help on other Show, Monkey and Girl Show. Panks. Day to be held during the 17-day rides. HOMECOMING run, C. B. (Jack) Afflerbaugh, president and general manager, **RECREATION PARK**, Contact: ALVIN VAN DIKE, Mgr., Alamogordo (Holloman Air Base), N. M., this week. said here last week. CHESANING Phil D. Shepherd, the fair's assistant manager, advised Al Flint, Established Event, 5,000 People PCSA executive secretary, that Fireworks, boat races, cash prize contests, Harry A. Illions, operator of the Wire or phone W. RICHNER JAMES 5 C. of C., Chesaning, Mich. event's World's Fair Midway, will be issued adequate admission tickets for the day. The date is to be BINGO HELP set by Tevis Paine, director of public relations. WANTED Showmen's Day will be listed in the daily program and on other **Experienced Bingo Caller and** information sent to various Counter Man. community newspapers, Shepherd TUCKER GUS Wants for our outstanding Fair Dates added. c/o Don Franklin Shows, Blue Earth, Erie County, Hamburg, N. Y., Aug. 18-25; N. Y. State Fair, Syracuse, Sept. 1-8; Interstate Fair, York, Pa., Sept. 11-15; **NSA Building** Minn., Aug. 13-15; New Ulm, Minn., Cleveland County, Shelby, N. C., Sept. 18-22; Greenville, S. C., Sept. 24-29; Southern States, Charlotte, N. C., Oct. 1-6; Aug. 16-19. The Great Danville Fair, Danville, Va., Oct. 8-13; North Carolina State Fair, Raleigh, Oct. 15-20; Florence, S. C., Oct. 22-27; Charleston, S. C., Oct. 29-Nov. 3. Winter Fairs, Florida Citrus Exposition, Winter Haven, Fla., Feb. 11-16; Central Florida Fair, Orlando, Fla., Feb. 18-23. Negotiations WANTED WANTS MONKEY OR ANY SHOWS OR RIDES NOT **Experienced Tip Man for Auctioneer. CONFLICTING.** All replies to Good prospects for right Man. Contact: Hit New Snag James E. Strates Shows, Inc., Per Route ALFRED ALTER CHARLES AND ANNE OSBOURNE, CONTACT L. HARVEY CANN, MGR. PRELL SHOWS, CARLISLE, PA. FOR SALE: Complete High-Dive with Ladders and Tank; also Hi-de-ho. NEW YORK--Negotiations for Contact: PRELL SHOWS the new home of the National Show-

WANTED—CARNIVAL August 31 to September 3 inclusive. Hamilton Fall Festival, Hamilton, Mo. Night Shows only in front of Grandstand. Opening with Minnie Pearl and Co. and closing with Roy Acuff and Co. Contact

M. U. (Scoot) McCrary Hamilton, Missouri

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Want for good line-up of Celebrations Short Range, Balloon Darts, Coke Bot-tles, Milk Bottles, Scales, Heart Pitch, Bumper, Fish Pond, Cork Gallery, Slum Spindle, Snocone, Candy Floss, Novelties, High-Striker. Paris, Missouri, week Aug. 13 to 18.

WANT RIDE MEN

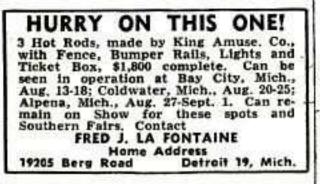
On Rolloplane and Merry-Go-Round. No automobiles, no drunks.

Campbell, Nebr., Aug. 13-14; Culbertsen, 15 to 19; Russell, Kans., 20 to 22. MOORE'S MODERN SHOWS



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MIKE WOLD Cissna Park, Ill., Aug. 15-18; then as per route.



Care Western Union, Newton, N. C.

men's Association-the Friars' Club building on West 56th Street-have hit a snag in recent weeks, altho it seemed the structure's purchase was a shoo-in during the spring. George A. Hamid, president emeritus of the club, said this week that while an agreeable price had been set between both clubs, a

new figure was mentioned at the closing, and NSA Attorney Sidney Levine has been instructed by the club trustees to remain firm at the originally agreed price.

Chances for the purchase still look good, it was reported, but a couple of other acceptable locations have been offered since the snag developed. In the event the current negotiation fails to go thru, serious thought will be given to the other buildings.

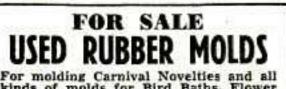
The Friars have a two-story building, each with a large assembly room. There are also a kitchen, bar, stage, governor's room, entrance foyer, and several office and cloak rooms. One of the other proposed buildings has four floors, the lowest of which is rentable.

E. James Strates Marries in Elmira

ELMIRA, N. Y .-- Trinity Episcopal Church here was the scene of the August 12 marriage of Phyllis Ann Robinson and Lieut. E. James Strates, son of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Strates of the James E. Strates Shows.

This was the solemnizing of a previous civil ceremony performed May 26 in Las Vegas, Nev.

Before entering the military service, Strates was active in the management of the Strates Shows.



kinds of molds for Bird Baths, Flower Pots, Benches, Picnie Tables; molded of concrete. Will also make new molds over any article you wish to reproduce. 500 Carnival Novelty Molds on hand priced from \$1 up to \$5 each, F.O.B. Little Rock, Ark. Write C. CRAIG, Rt. 1, Box 312, Little Rock, Ark.



Seven Kentucky Fairs. Bowling Green, Ky., Aug. 20-25; Second only to Kentucky State Fair. 75,000 attendance last year. Day and night. The Flying Valentines Free Act on my midway, two shows daily. The Grand Ole Opry Thursday. Beauty Contest, Crowning of Miss Kentucky, Auto given away, Kids' Day all day Friday.

CONCESSIONS-Bingo, Pepcorn, Apples, Pronte Pups, Eats and Drinks, Diggers, Bear Pitch, Glass Pitch, any legitimate Merchandise Concessions. No flats.

SHOWS-Would like Minstrel Show with own equipment. Doc Themas, contact me. Any Grind or Bally Shows. Would like Girl Revue, must have four or five Girls and nice equipment.

RIDES-Will book nice set of factory-made Kiddie Rides. Octopus or any money-getting Ride that doesn't conflict.

CHARLIE GRIGGS, Owner

Wire Western Union, Lebanon, Ky., this week.

HELP-Hanky Pank Agents, couple of good Grind Store Agents, Agents for Six Cats and Buckets,

RIDE HELP—Can always use good Ride Help, top salary and good treatment. My Rides are in top shape. Have new Merry-Go-Round, can use Help for same.

Following Bowling Green I have Ft. Campbell Soldier's payday. Let located at U. S. 41 and U. S. 71 Highways at Tinytown, Ky. "Robel" Marchette would like to hear from Wm. Walker, "Little Kokomo" and "Whitey" Gule. Slim Wilder, send Girl Show Costumes, important you do so.

V. L. HALL, Concession Mgr.

V. L. COLLIER, Gen. Agt.



Indiana County Fair, Indiana, Pa., August 20-25

We hold exclusive rights for this great fair. 118,000 paid admissions last year. Space is limited, contact at once. Followed by Granger Free Fair, Mechanicsburg, Va. (Williams Grove Park), Aug. 27-Sept. 1. Show sets in front of grandstand. Attractions day and night. This will be the surprise date of 1956.

CONCESSIONS: Novelties, Age & Scale, Grab, Hats, French Fries and all Hankies. SHOWS: Can use outstanding Minstrel Show, Monkey Circus, War Show, Mechanical City and Dillinger Car. RIDES: Can place Fly-o-Plane, Rocko-Plane, Twister and Caterpillar. HELP: FRITZ, COME ON. Roll-o-Plane Foreman; also use Help on Coaster, Octopus and Kiddie Rides who drive semis. Good pay plus bonus. (Red, I wired you. Write or call us.) Williams Cookhouse wants Griddle Man. Good pay and treatment. AL BOXALL'S BINGO CAN PLACE 3 CLERKS (prefer 1 semi driver) and Second Caller. Best of treatment and pay. Address all mail, wires and phone calls to

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> #2 DRAGO SHOWS

New booking for Grundy County Fair and Labor Day at Mazon, Ill., Aug. 29-Sept. 3. Especially need large Cookhouse. Want Hanky Panks of all kinds such as Bumper, String, Pitch-To-Win, Mug, Fishbowl, African Dip, etc. Will book one more Major Ride not conflicting, such as Roundup, Scrambler, Looper, Twister or Dark Ride. Need Shows of all kinds. Want Girl Show with at least two girls. Torchy Lee, please contact. Those joining now given preference on locations. All contact

CHET PIERCE

Moreland, Ind., Free Fair this week; Royal Center, Ind., Aug. 21-25. P.S.: J. R. Green, call me.



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Lady and Man who can do race, top

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Superior, Wis., Aug. 13-19; St. Faul,

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JAMES H. DREW SHOWS

AUGUST 18, 1956

Fall Festival, Ashland, Ky., Aug. 21 to 25 Incl; Clintwood Fair, Clintwood, Va., Aug. 27 to Sept. 1 Incl; with long and complete circuit of Southern Fairs to follow.

Will place all kinds of Merchandise, Hanky Panks and outright sale Concessions. Ex open on Custard, Novelties, Photos and others. Help-Can use experienced Second Men on rides that are licensed drivers. Wanted-Foreman for new Eli Scrambler, same to be delivered shortly.

All replies via Western Union, or phone Fairgrounds.

JAMES H. DREW SHOWS

Terre Haute, Indiana, until August 19.

Note: Fair Managers & Committees-Visit the Great Wabash Valley Fair at Terre Haute, Ind., this week and see one of the finest and most modern truck shows in the country in operation. Show is big, clean and a definite asset to any Fair









AUGUST 18, 1956 Lajoie Quits Lagasse; to **Book Own Unit**

NEW YORK--- A rew amusement operation headed by Norman Lajoie, formerly associated with the Lagasse Amusement Company, has been put together in New Bedford, Mass. Lajoie, for seven years with Lagasse, stated he is no longer connected with that firm.

Lajoie has acquired a Ferris Wheel, wire and cable from the Merit Shows of Lowell, Mass., and also has a kiddle auto and kiddle airplane ride, which he and his wife will book independently for the remainder of this season, winding up on Southern fair dates.

blue canvas, it was reported.

on such midways as Coleman Bros., World of Mirth, Prell's Broadway, Vivona Bros., James E. Strates, and Blue Grass, prior to joining Lagasse. He was manager and booking agent for the Lagasse No. 2 unit, and, together with his wife, usually operated concessions ranging in number from two to 10.

with Lagasse had to do with the Feast of the Blessed Sacrament in New Bedford, which drew a reported 100,000 persons. He will maintain his office in New Bedford over the winter.



America

The summer activities program

Dorothy Kennedy.

Hennies recently returned to her Taylor visits her Burlington, Wis., back from a Minneapolis visit. Lynn, recently visited shows in Indiana.

Vegas.

The open house convention and









| : (Fair) Norwalk, Conn. | Marks, John H.: (Fair) Covington, Va.; |
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| ayne, Neb., 13-15; Geneva | Charlottesville 20-25. Marvel: Farmington, Ill., 15-18. |
| odland, Calif., 15-19. | Meekers: Hermiston, Ore 14-18 |
| allejo, Calif., 15-19; (Fair) | Meekers: Hermiston, Ore., 14-18. Merriam's Midway: Titonka, Is., 13; |
| B. ' | Algona 14-17; Sac City 19-23; Stanton, |
| n. Co.:- Zeeland, Mich., | Neb., 24-26. |
| law (Bala) Traam Cita | M. D. Am .: White Haven, Pa. |
| lley: (Fair) Tracy City. Cookeville 20-25. | Midway of Mirth: (Fair) Nashville, Ill.; Stonefort 20-25. |
| : Newport, Ore., 15-18; | Midwest: (Fair) Emmett, Idaho, 15-18. |
| · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | Mighty Hoosier State: (Fair) Martinsville, |
| Connellsville, Pa.; (Fair) | Ind.; (Fair) Frankfort 20-25. |
| Waurika, Okla., 16-18; | Mighty Interstate: Hazard, Ky.; (Fair) Church Hill, Tenn., 20-25. |
| 22-25. | Monarch Expo.: (Fair) Warren, Ill.; East |
| ts: (Fair) Mount Ayr, Ia., | Moline 20-25. |
| Corning 19-24. | Moore's Modern: (Fair) Campbell, Neb., |
| : Spooner, Wis., 13-15; | 13-14; (Fair) Culbertson 15-19; Russell, |
| ; Hayward 20-22. | Kan., 20-25. Motor State: (Pair) Harrison Mich : (Pair) |
| : Tillamook, Ore.; Che- 0-25. | Motor State: (Fair) Harrison, Mich.; (Fair) Hicksville, O., 20-25. |
| a. Co.: (Fair) Belleville, | Motor State, No. 2: (Fair) Sandusky, O. |
| | Motor State, No. 2: (Fair) Sandusky, O. Mound City: Bevier, Mo.; Pleasant Hill, |
| (Fair) Eagle Twp. 22-25. (Fair) Renssalaer, Ind.; | 111., 20-25 |
| 20-25. | Mullins Royal Pine: Ellsworth, Me. |
| Mooreland, Ind.; (Fair) | Myers, Sonny: (Fair) Denison, Ia., 13-16; (Fair) Wall Lake 17-18; (Fair) Onawa |
| 21-25. (Fair) Terre Haute, Ind., | 19-22; Little Bioux 25. |
| , Ky., 21-25. | Nelson, Geo. W .: (Fair) Emmetsburg, Ia., |
| Fair) Colby, Kan.; (Fair) | 13-15; (Fair) Elk Point, S. D., 16-18; |
| 0-25. | (Fair) Madison, Neb., 20-22; (Fair) |
| Tenn. (Fair) Boone Is 12,17: | Leigh 23-26. Nolan Am. Co.: Niles, O.; (Fair) Paines- |
| (Fair) Boone, Ia., 13-17; | ville 22-26. |
| Fair) Dayton, Pa.; (Fair) | Northern Expo.: Havre, Mont., 16-18. |
| -25. | Norton's Rides: (Pair) Terry, Mont., 15-18. |
| edericksburg, Tex. | Oklahoma Expo.: Tontitown, Ark. |
| mica, Ill., 16-19; Rock- | Olson: (Fair) Springfield, Ill., 13-19. Page Bros.: (Fair) Burkesville, Ky. |
| La Crosse, Kan., 13-15; | Page Combined: (Fair) Batavia, N. Y.; |
| 4. | (Fair) Sandy Creek 20-25. |
| ndido, Calif., 15-19; (Fair) | Palmetto Expo.: Kinston, N. C. |
| | Pan American: (Pair) Mammoth Springs, |
| Stockton, Calif., 16-26. | Ark., 13-17. Penn Premier: (Fair) Waynesburg, Pa.; |
| : (Fair) Palmyra, N. Y.; eld 20-25. | (Fair) Indiana 20-25. |
| (Fair) Blue Earth, Minn., | Playtime: Plymouth, N. H., 16-19; Glouces- |
| New Ulm 16-19. | ter, Mass., 21-26. |
| Utah, 14-18; Tremonton | Port City Rides: New Windsor, Ill., 15-18; |
| | New Boston 25-26. Powelson Greater: Mount Gilead, O.; |
| eon, O., 15-16; Weidman, | Chillicothe 20-25. |
| Trenton, Mo. | Prell's Broadway: Carlisle, Pa.; Cumber- |
| ille, W. Va.; (Fair) Par- | land, Md., 20-25. |
| construction and their | Priddy: Port Lavaca, Tex., 14-28. |
|) Davenport, Ia. | Raines Amusements: (Fair) Ottawa, Kan.; (Fair) Richmond 20-25. |
| Pascagoula, Miss. : Moultrie, Ga., 13-25. | Rainier: St. Helens, Ore.; Vancouver, |
| : Matthews, Va.; Stand- | Wash., 20-25. |
| | Raley Bros. Expo .: (Fair) Roanoke Rapids, |
| Russellville, Ky.; Galla- | N. C.; (Fair) Rocky Mount, Va., 20-25. |
| 25. | Reid's Golden Star: Greenville, Tenn.; (Fair) Maynardsville 20-25. |
| hinelander, Wis., 14-19; | Reid, King: (Fair) Skowhegan, Me.; (Fair) |
| Palls 21-26. zewell, Va.; (Fair) Ron- | Union 21-25. |
| active, va., (Pair) Ron- | Reithoffer Blue: Lowville, N. Y. |
| No. 1: Troy, O | Robinson's Greater: (Fair) Fullerton, Neb., |
| No. 2: Connersville, Ind. No. 3: Corunna, Mich. | 13-16: (Fair) Hartington 18-20; (Fair) |
| No. 3: Corunna, Mich. | Randolph 21; (Fair) Wahoo 23-25. Rocky Mountain Empire: Akron, Colo., |
| No. 4: Celina, O. | 16-18. |
| , No. 5: Zanesville, O. | Rogers Bros.: (Fair) Mora Minn 13-15- |



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MIGHTY INTERSTATE SHOWS Want for Eastern Hawkins County Free Fair, Church Hill, Tenn., Aug. 20-25; Washington County Free Fair, Gray Station, Tenn., Aug. 27-Sept. 1; Randolph County Fair, Roanoke, Ala., Sept. 3-8; followed by continuous route of choice Southern Fairs through Nov. 7.

SHOWS: Any Baily or Family-Type Shows, Girl Shows with own equipment. Jimmy Beach wants Talker and Acts for Sideshow. CONCESSIONS: All legitimate Merchandise Concessions open. Also opening for Long Range Gallery, Jewelry, Novelties, Hats, Gadgets, Bear Pitch, Glass Pitch, Parakeet Pitch, Age and Weight, Ice Cream, Frozen Custard. RIDE HELP: Foremen for Merry-Go-Round, Wheel, Tilt, Chairplane. Also Second Men on all Rides. Licensed tractor-trailer drivers preferred. Top wages. RIDES: Will book any Flat Ride or Kiddie Rides not conflicting with what we have. HELP: Want Electrician who knows G. M. Diesel Plant to join on wire. Must drive tractor. Want experienced Mechanic with tools to join on wire. Will book Bingo for balance of season.

All replies to H. B. ROSEN CARE WESTERN UNION, HAZARD, KY.



Want for large County Fair at Bridgeport, Illinois, followed by Carroll County Fair at Huntingdon, Tennessee.

CONCESSIONS—Photo. Custard. Cook House, Long Range and Short Range or any Hanky Panks not conflicting.

RIDE HELP-Wheel Foreman, must be sober and reliable Truck Driver. SHOWS-Snake, Minstrel, Monkey and any clean Grind Show not conflicting. Want Operator for office owned Girl Show.

> All replies JOHN PORTEMONT Carmi, Illinois.

TIVOLI EXPOSITION SHOWS

We have 10 more big weeks of Fairs including 4 in Louisiana: Bastrop, Leesville, Eunice and Winnsboro. Showing large army camp week following Greenville, Illinois, Fair.

SHOWS: Want two first-class Girl Shows; Mr. Williams, contact us at once. Want 10-in-1 Side Show and any other worth-while attractions.

CONCESSIONS: Can place Hanky Panks of all kinds.

HELP: Can place Ride Men on all Rides-must drive semis.

Contact H. V. Petersen Dubuque, Iowa, Fairgrounds this week; Greenville, Illinois, Fair to follow.



Tip Top: Baraboo, Wis., 16-19; Caledonia, Tivoli Expo.: (Fair) Dubuque, Is.; (Fair) Greenville, Ill.; 20-25. Tropical Midway: Oak City, N. C. 20th Century: Owatonna, Minn. Uncle Joe's Am.: Wheeler, Tex. United Expo.: (Fair) Salem, Ind.; (Fair) Benton, Ky., 20-25. United States: (Fair) Matewan, W. Va .: (Fair) Clay 20-25. Victor Am. Service: (Fair) Barton, Vt., 16-19: Keene, N. H., 23-26. Victory Expo.: Alamogordo, N. M., 17-20. Virginia Greater: Cambridge, Md.; Pocomoke City 20-25. Wade Greater: (Fair) Lowell, Mich., 13-19; (Fair) Mount Pleasant 20-25. Wade, W .G .: (Fair) Mason, Mich .; (Fair) Escanaba 21-25. Wallace Bros.: Wausau, Wis. W. B. J.; (Fair) Gaston, Ind., 14-18; Summitville 21-25. West Coast, No. 1: Yreka, Callf., 16-19; (Fair) Anderson 23-26. West Coast, No. 2: (Fair) Paso Robles, Calif., 13-19; (Fair) Montery 20-26. Western: Lynden, Wash., 15-18. Weydt Amusements: Gillett, Wis., 16-19 Wilbers' Woiverine: Grayling, Mich., 13-19, Wilcox, Dick: Houlton, Me.; (Fair) Dover 20-25. Williams Am. Co .: Rural Retreat, Va. Wilson Famous: Sheffield, Ill., 15-17; (Fair) Princeton 20-25. Wolfe Am. Co.: (Fair) Weirwood, Va .; (Fair) Tasley 26-25. World's Finest: (Fair) Three Rivers, Que., 16-23: (Fair) Skerbrooke 24-30. World of Pleasure: (Fair) Bay City, Mich .: Coldwater 20-25. Young, Monty: Gooding, Idaho; Burley 20-25.



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Krezmer and the George Hanneford Family visited Kelly-Miller at Freeport, Ill., while Rex and Kitty-Ronstrom and Larry Benner saw it at Princeton. . . . Annie Deryung, of the Symphonettes celebrated a birthday. . . . Valerie Antalek Krinkle joined her husband, Kris, at Clinton. Ia., after closing with Clyde Bros. . . . Harry Polack, son of Sam Polack, visited. . . . Bob and Mildred Lee painted their globe of death a forest green. . . Prop boys painted equipment red and silver at Clinton. Ia. The



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All replies via Western Union.

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SHOWS: First class Attractions only, including a Motordrome. No Girl Shows. RIDES: Flat Rides of all kinds. 'Cooper, please contact regarding Roundup. CONCESSIONS: All kinds of Hanky Panks and legitimate Concessions, Scales and Age. No Shooting Galleries. Flat outfits, save postage, will not book under any circumstances.

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Wanted for Greenup, Illinois, Fair week of August 20.

CONCESSIONS: Hanky Pank and Prize-Every-Time Games of all kinds.

HELP: Rock-O-Plane Foreman, Help on all major Rides.

All Wire:

C. C. GROSCURTH, Blue Grass Shows

La Porte, Indiana, all this week; then Greenup, Illinois.

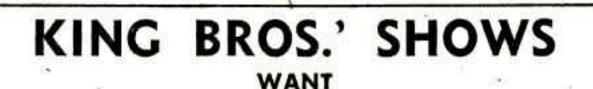
SILK CITY COMBINED SHOWS

WANT FOR PAGE COUNTY FAIR, LURAY, VIRGINIA, AND ALL FAIRS TO FOLLOW.

CONCESSIONS: Bingo, Novelties, French Fries, Hi-Striker, Bear Pitch and other Concessions. SHOWS: Wildlife, Side Show, Monkey Show and other Grind Shows. RIDES: Will book Octopus, Tilt, Coaster and other Rides not conflicting. RIDE HELP: Foremen for all Rides that drive semis and Second Men.

All replies to A. LONGO or TED LEWIS

This week, Manassas, Virginia, Fairgrounds.



Wheel Foreman, top pay. Will book or buy Octopus. Also can use other reliable Ride Help. Can use Wives in Ticket Boxes. Want legitimate Concessions of all kinds. There are only four here.

All replies to JOE KING, MGR.

Burlington, Nebr., Aug. 16–18; North Platte, Nebr., 19–22; Sidney, Nebr., 22–26; Chadron, Nebr., 27–29; Lodgepole, Nebr., Labor Day, and 10 others to follow.

G. & B. SHOWS

Tucker County Fair & Centennial, Parsons, West Va., Aug. 20-25; Preston County Fàir, Terra Alta, follows.

Want Scales, Ball Games, Coke Bottles, Buckets, Balloon Dart, Water Game, Lead Gallery, Pitch-Till-You-Win, Bumper or any Concessions working for stock. No ex on Hanky Panks, Will book Shows with own outfits for committee money. All replies to

GEO. BROAS, Fairgrounds, Rivesville, West Virginia

A. R. BRIGGS SHOWS

Want for Miamisburg, Ohio, V.F.W. Celebration Aug. 20-25.

Rides, Shows, Concessions, Floss, Snow, Apple, Pop Corn, Fish Pond, Darts, Six Cats, Buckets, Pitch-Till-You-Win, Coke Bottles, Help on Wheels, Merry-Go-Round, Chairplane, Kid Rides, Will book any non-conflicting Rides. No phone calls. All wires: c/o WESTERN UNION, CINCINNATI, OHIO, Ronstroms visited Walter Adler, brother of Felix, at Clinton, Ia. ... C. A. Sonnenberg and Stanley Collins visited Polack Eastern.

Visiting Kelly-Miller at Naperville, Ill., were Orrin Davenport, Doc Schlack, Edna Dee Curtis, Ray Oelich, Harry Bert, Nat Green, Dwight Pepple, Alex Irwin, Jack LaPearl, George Johnson, Bill Carsky, the Carl Marxes, Alan Davidson, John Harrop, Sam Johnson, Howard Gusler, Don Sexton and Ken Fishleigh.

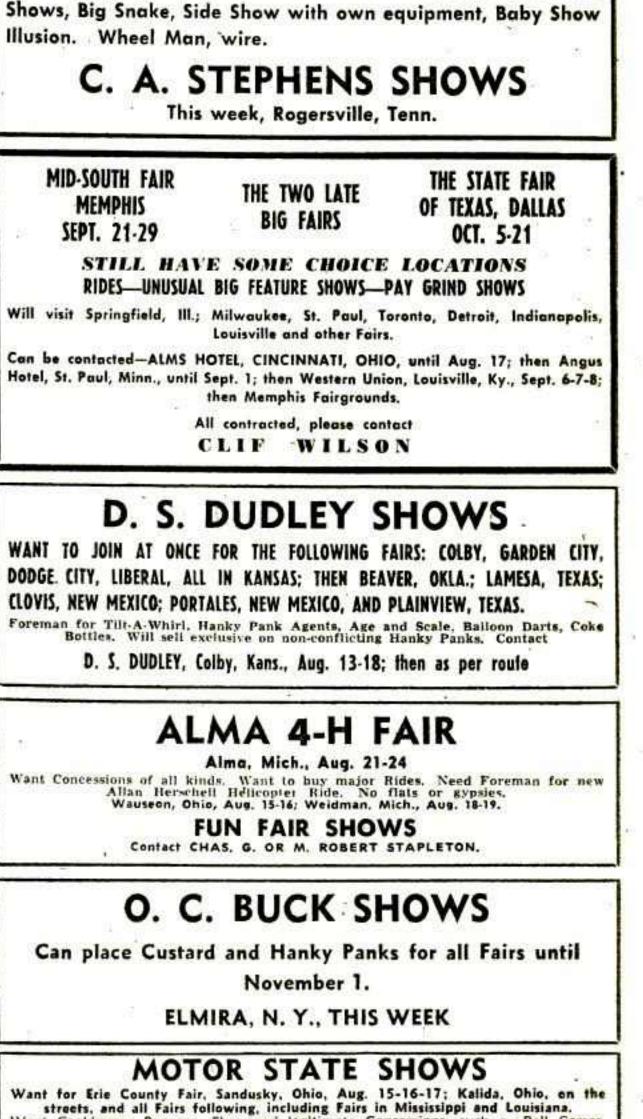
Benny the Bum and Johnny Walker have the suo-cones on Kelly-Miller. . . Bill Atterbury is playing fairs and recently passed thru Chicago between dates.

A. F. (Red) Davis caught Beers-Barnes Circus in West Virginia. ... Don and Martha Smith visited Kelly-Miller at Indiana towns, where other visitors included Fred and Rickey Pfening, George Piercy and Ken Whipple.

• Hank Carlile is ahead of the Clyde Beatty Circus and has contracted Amarillo, Tex., for September 4. . . . Laurence Cross is with the Pan-American Amusement Corporation operated by Jimmy Woods. . . . The Melvin Olsens visited R. A. Miller's Miller Bros. Circus at Great Lakes, 111.

Popo DeBathe, Emmett Kelly, Jack McAfee, Fay Avalon and Huey the Clown worked four days in Los Angeles making a pilot film for a possible TV feature. . . . Clarence Canary, trick rider and sharpshooter, and the Poodles Hannefords are at Frontier Town, North Hudson, N. Y., for the season. . . . Newly admitted members of the Association of Theatrical Press Agents and Managers are Mae S. Hong and Norman Carroll.

. K. Y. Sagraves, Mills Bros.' bull man for several seasons, is home in Kentucky.... Leo Francis clowned fairs at three Ohio spots. He will make the Kentucky State Fair and follow up with Indiana dates.



Want for Erie County Fair, Sandusky, Ohio, Aug. 15-16-17; Kalida, Ohio, en me streets, and all fairs following, including Fairs in Mississippi and Louisiana. Want Cookhouse, Popcorn, Floss and legitimate Concessions, such as Ball Games, Darts, Basket Ball, Pitch Till You Win, etc. Can place Fun House, also Grind Shows. Can place reliable, sober Ride Help, must drive.

All replies JOE FREDERICK Fairgrounds, Harrison, Mich., Aug. 14-18; Hicksville, Ohio, Fair, Aug. 20-25; then as per route.



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| BEAM'S ATTRACTIONS | COMING EVENTS | PARAKFFTS |
| Outstanding Fairs for the balance of the season: MONTGOMERY CO. FAIR, GAITHERSBURG, MD. Next week-Aug. 21-25—Day and night | Arizona Buckeye—Halloween Carnival, Oct. 31. Eloy—Mexican Independence Day, Sept. 15- 16. Giobe—Gila Co. Diamond Jubilee, Aug. 29- Sept. 3 Jim Mace, Dominion Hotel. Nogales—Mexican Independence Day Cele- bration, Sept. 15-16. Prescott—Quarter Horse Show, Sept. 22-23. Princess Anne—Princess Anne Li Show, Sept. 28-29. Howard H. An Massachusetts Boston—National Home Show, Oct. John D. Daly. | Exposi- ls, 1010 vestock derson. |
| The enlarged Amusement Midway offers all Shows and Concessions frontage on paved walks. | Tucson-Mexican Independence Day Cele- bration, Sept. 15-16. Tombstone-Helldorada Celebration, Oct. 26-28. Williams-Labor Day Rodeo, Sept. 15-16. Winslow-Jaycee Rodeo, Sept. 15-16. Charlotte-Mich, Swine Breeder Sho | ept. 2- Bept. 2- Byfor E. Gallatin Rd., Pico, California Phone: OXford 9-5210 |
| BRUNSWICK, MD., FIREMEN'S FAIR, Aug. 27-Sept. 1. GOOCHLAND-POWHATAN-LOUISA TRI-CO. FAIR, Sept. 3-8, GOOCHLAND, VIRGINIA NOTTAWAY CO. FAIR & FARMERS' WEEK, BLACKSTONE, VIRGINIA, Sept. 10-15. TRI-CO. FAIR, ROANOKE RAPIDS, N. C., Sept. 17-22, Day and Night. ZEBULON FIVE-CO. FAIR, Sept. 24-29, Zebulon, N. C. VANCE CO. COLORED FAIR, Oct. 1-6, Henderson, N. C. CASWELL CO. FAIR, Oct. 8-13, Yanceyville, N. C. ATLANTIC DISTRICT FAIR, Oct. 15-20, Ahoskie, N. C. TIDE WATER DISTRICT FAIR, Oct. 22-27, Suffolk, Virginia. Booking all types of legitimate Concessions and Shows for these eutstanding fairs. ALL REPLIES TO | Camden-Quachite Co. Livestock Show, Sept. 10-15. M. C. Reynolda. DeQueen-Servier Co. Livestock Show, Sept. 10-12. Victor Ivy. DeWitt-Ark. Co. Livestock Show, Oct. 10- 13. Harold Kendall. El Dorado-Union Co. Livestock & Poultry Show, Sept. 24-29. G. O. Dunn. Fort Smith-ArkOkla, Livestock Show, Sept. 23-29. H. B. Correll. Helena-Centennial, Aug. 17-22. Sam W. Tappan, Chamber of Commerce. Hope-Third Dist. Livestock Show, Sept. 24-29. R. O. Danieta. Little Rock-Ark. Livestock Expo., Oct. 1-5. Mammoth Spring-Soldiers, Sallors and Marines Reunion, Aug. 13-18. Z. Z. Sterling. Monticello-Dre Co. Livestock Show, Sept. 12-15. Jack Shelton. Pine Bluff-S. Ark. Livestock Show, Sept. 15-19. George Hestand. Rogers-Diamond Jubilee, Aug. 27-Sept. 3. C. B. Porter. California Fort Bragg-Paul Bunyan Days, Aug. 27- Sept. 3. | Annual Wernersville, Pa., Fair, August 16. 15.23. 15-23. 11-13. Sept. Sept. Show, I. 30- Club Dairy |
| BEL AIR, MD., this week-then as per route. | Lodi-Grape Festival & Natl. Wine Show, Sept. 14-16. C. S. Jackson. Los Alamitos-Blue Ribbon Horse Show, Oct. 11-14. Ray Stone, 5501 Hazel Ave., Fair Oaks. Los Angeles-Allied Gift & Jewelry Show, Sept. 2-6. Joint Commerce, Queen City-Schuyler Co. Corn & Show, Sept. 13-15. Geo. McCluske St. Louis-Mid-America Jublice, Sep City-County Cavalcade, Inc., 1501 St. Nevada | stock Hanky Panks of all kinds t. 1-30. Locust Locust Locust Locust Locust |
| CAPITAL CITY SHOWS | Oakland—California Garden Show. Sept. 20-30. E. E. Schreiber, 920 Fallon St. San Diego—Sports and Outdoor Living Show, Aug. 15-19. San Francisco—Flower Show. Aug. 23-24. Robert D. Gromm, 2059 28th Ave. Colorado | JOHN R. LEWIS |
| Want for Barbourville, Kentucky, Fair, Aug. 20-25, followed by 12 bona fide Fairs until Nov. 12. Best'in the South. CONCESSIONS—Legitimate Stock Concessions of all kinds, good opening for Long or Short Range, Parakeet and Bear Pitch, Bingo; American Camp, no gypsies; Arcade. SHOWS—Side Show, Monkey, Mechanical or any non-conflicting Grind Show. | Colorado Arvada—Arvada Harvest Festival, Sept. 7-6. Stanley H. Stolte. Estes Park—Recional Arablan Horse Show, Aug. 18-19. Chamber of Commerce. Kit Carson—Kit Carson Day, Sept. 22. Paul Bock. Littleton—Westward Ho Days, Sept. 21-32. Wayne E. Michel. Manitou—Zebulon Days, Sept. 1-3. Jaycees. Trinidad—Trinidad Round-Up. Sept. 1-3. Bridgeport—Fairfield Co. Home Show & Industrial Fair, Oct. 9-14. John W. Daly. Waterbury—National Home Show, Sept. 22- Materbury—National Home Show, Sept. 22- Rateigh—National Home Show, Sept. 22- Materbury—National Home Show, Sept. 22- Katerbury—National Home Show, Sept. 22- Katerbury—National Home Show, Sept. 22- Waterbury—National Home Show, Sept. 22- Materbury—National Home Show, Sept. 22- Katerbury—National Home Show, Sept. 22- Katerbury—National Home Show, Sept. 22- North Carolina Rateigh—National Home Show, Sept. 22- Rateigh—National Home Show, Sept. 22- Rateigh State | 21-25. Exhibi- . 15-18. Ishings versary Weight and Age Agents. The West Virginia State Fair, Lewisburg, W. Va., August 18 to 25. Also Mineola Fair, Long Island, September 8. Six more Fairs to follow. A. HYMES |





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MERCHANDISE TOPICS

an electric brush-off with the bat- workers who use unbreakable tery-operated Vac Brush of Abco combs would do well to write Industries, 2404 North Charles An.berine, 2020 F Street, South Street, Baltimore 18. This is a small Belmar, N. J. This firm has ready brush affixed to a handle and for immediate delivery the original looking much like a flashlight. It Amberine Unbreakable Comb has an electrically operated revolv- which is registered in U. S. and ing unit which collects dust in an Canadian patent offices, and will attached bag as the brush is applied send a price list on request. Orders to clothing and upholstery. It ef- are shipped the same day received. fectively removes dust and lint, the \$1 will get you a sample set of the firm says. Weight is only 10 sizes on hand. ounces. A sample is \$2.50 postpaid; \$1.80 each in lots of 12, plus postage. The firm guarantees Vac Brush and invites jobbers to write for quantity prices.

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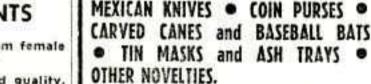
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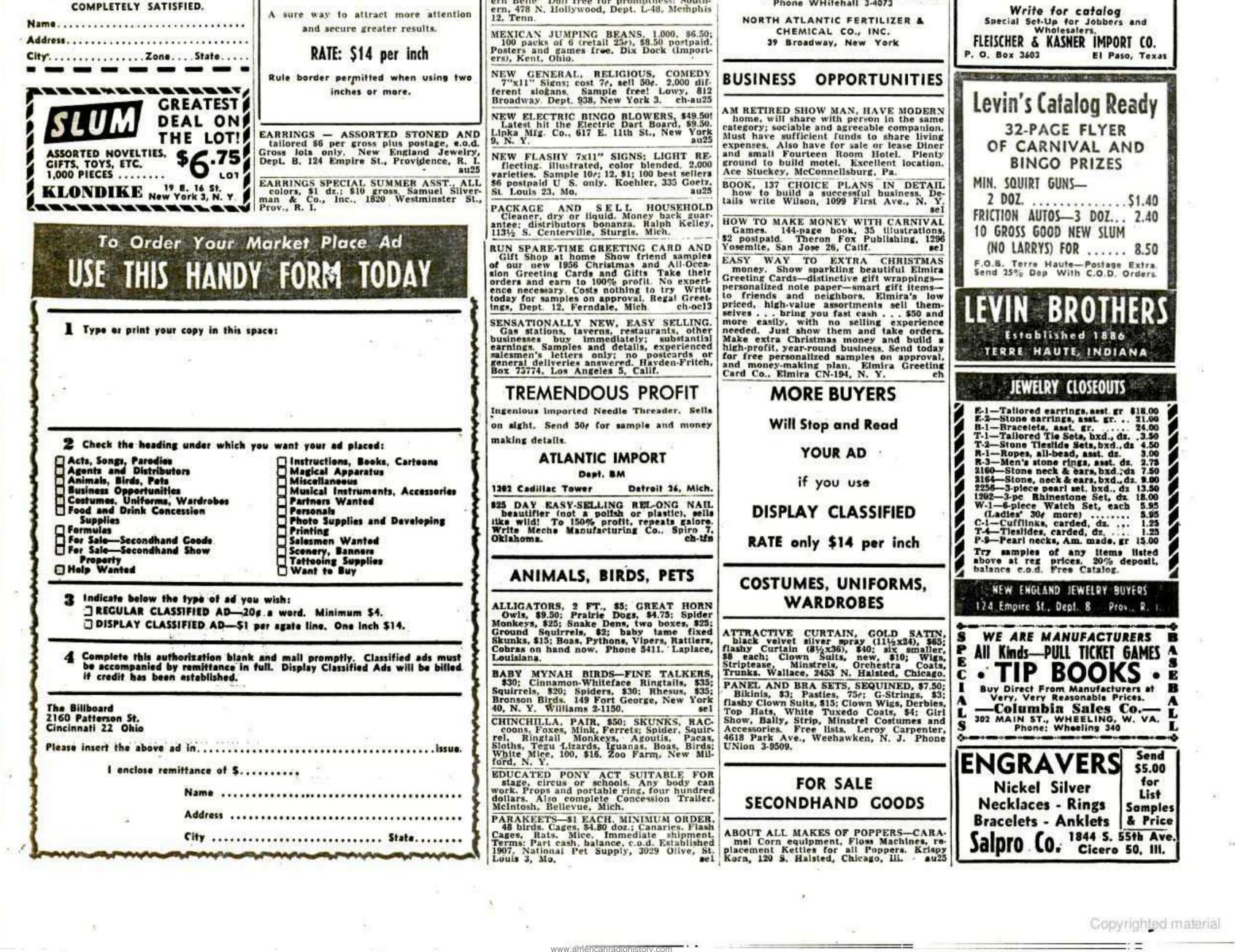
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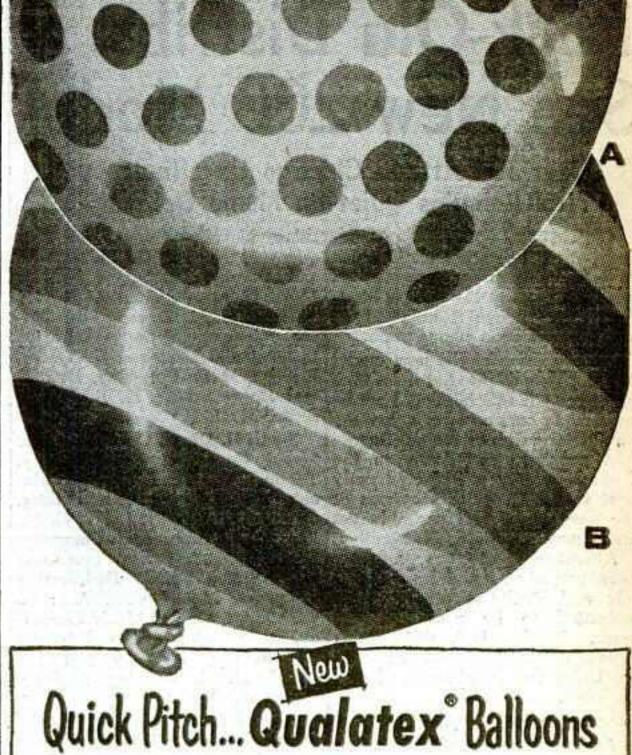
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MUSIC MACHINES

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Rock-Ola Distribs See New 200 Model

Over 100 Attend Chicago Unveiling; Firm Remains Quiet on Phono Details

new 200-selection phonograph.

and Rock-Ola officials could not be reached to comment on either the new phonograph or the meeting.

firm's new 200 is expected early Tenn.; Vernon Spellman, Coin Manext week. Operator showings of chine Service, Inc., Santa Rosa, the new model will probably get Calif.; Joseph and Louis Grillo, under way sometime in September. Flower City Amusement Company,

meeting (8-11), including distributors and Rock-Ola officials, was estimated to be near the 100 mark. Besides U.S. distributors, representatives from Canada, Mexico, Cuba and Newfoundland also Bland, H. Z. Vending & Sales attended.

Distrib Roster

Among those attending the event were Harry Snodgrass, Border Sun-

AMI Introduces Ad Mat Folder For Op P-R Use

CHICAGO --- Rock-Ola Manu- shine Novelty Company, Albufacturing Corporation played host querque, N. M.; G. M. Wilkins to its entire distributor organization and Romine Hogard, Automatic here last week at the Beldon Strat- Music Company, Tulsa, Okla.; Hy ford Hotel where it unveiled its Branson, H. M. Branson Distributing Company, Louisville; Joe A description of the new model Brilliant and Raymond G. Taylor, had not been released at press time Brilliant Music Company, Detroit, and Harry Brinck, H. B. Brinck, Butte, Mont.

South H. Dixon, Coin Automatic A complete run down on the Music Company, Johnson City, Attendance at the four-day Rochester, N.Y.; David Franco and Morris Piha, Franco Distributing Company, Montgomery, Ala.; E. W. Gilbert, Gilbert Music Company, Bloomington, Ill., and Hymie and Edward Zorinsky and Joe Company, Omaha.

> Samuel Gally, Herman Distributing Company, Brooklyn; Vince Marcello and Henry Bougon, Huey Distributing Company, New Orleans; Joseph Abraham, J. M. Novelty Company, Youngstown, O.; B. D. and J. D. Lazar and Edward Goldvarg, B. D. Lazar Company, Pittsburgh; L. F. LeStourgeon, Le-Stourgeon Distributing Company, Charlotte, N.C.; Harold Ajax, Puget Sound Novelty Company, Seattle, and Howard Robinson, (Continued on page 99)

PREP 3d AMI P-R FILM IN **5 LANGUAGES**

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich .-Bill FitzGerald, advertising and sales promotion manager of AMI, announced Friday (10) that a third and final version of AMI's public relations film will be ready for distribution among operators on or around September 1.

FitzGerald said that the movie would, in its completed form, be available in five languages - English, Spanish, French, German and Italian.

The movie, a 16mm. film in color and in sound, was first shown to operators during the Music Operators of America convention held in Chicago last May. A second version has since been introduced and shown in various sections of the country. The second version was also made available in Spanish and was shown to AMI distributors in Mexico last month.

The film was produced by AMI with local community showings in mind-the scenes and background music are suitable for civic gathering as well as private club meetings. In the final version, the products of all four juke box manufacturers will be shown.

The film is being loaned to operators without charge. AMI has asked operators to give at least two weeks' advance notice when requesting the film.

UMO Action Prompts **Hearing on New Fee** Wyandotte Council Grants Association

Chance to Review Regulatory License

DETROIT---The city council of deriving income rather than for of suburban Wyandotte has grant- any regulatory measures. tive August 18.

Roy Small, UMO conciliator feel uniair. who will represent operators at the hearing, said that the association feels that "the music business New Ark. Dime should be regulated on an equal, competitive basis, and that the new ordinance is discriminatory against small operators."

The new Wyandotte ordinance calls for annual fee per location of \$15, plus a graduated fee on oper-ators according to the following State Kick-Off scale: 15 machines, \$25; 5-10 machines, \$50; 10-15, \$75; 15-25, \$100: 25-35, \$150, and over 35 machines, \$200.

Court Action Seen

According to Small, the association will, should the proposed ordinance remain as it is, file a case in the Circuit Court to prove it Missouri. discriminatory.

requires all local licensing fees to be levied for regulatory purposes only, and not for the purpose of deriving income. The proposed ordinance in Wyandotte, Small said, is obviously for the purpose

ed United Music Operators of UMO, faced with similar ordi-Michigan a special hearing Mon- nances and regulations in other day (13) to review arguments suburbs surrounding Detroit (The against a new juke box regulatory Billboard, August 11), has indiordinance fee which becomes effec- cated that it will fight every proposed juke box fee that operators

Push Eyed as

MEMPHIS--Juke box operators at nearby Trumann, Ark., have kicked off conversions from nickel to dime play. The move is seen as the beginning of a conversion move which will eventually cover all of Arkansas and sections of

The change-over was led by J. Small said the Michigan law W. Singleton, owner of Singleton Music Company at Marked Tree, Ark., near Trumann. All operators ir the area, however, had discussed the change-over at a meeting four months ago.

Singleton termed the results of dime play "unbelievable." Previous takes on the same locations were far less, he said. His collections, he reported, were more than doubled. As a result, (Continued on page 102)

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. --- A folder containing 15 different newspaper advertising mats designed to help promote local juke box public relations has been introduced by AMI, Inc., and is available to all music operators without charge.

Samples of the ads were first shown at the Music Operators of America convention in Chicago in March. Bill FitzGerald, advertising and sales promotion manager of the firm, said that the samples pulled such favorable comment at that time that AMI decided to furnish the material to all operators as a free service.

The mats provide space for the operator's name and address to be inserted to personalize the message. The mats can be used by firms operating all types of juke box equipment, as no manufacturer's product is singled out for mention in the copy or illustrations.

Copies of the ad mat folder are available at AMI distributors or at the AMI plant here.

Spotlight 3 Artists at UMO 3d Teen Hop

DETROIT--The United Music Operators of Michigan presented a trio of recording artists at its Conat Veterans' Memorial Park in subparty given by UMO this season.

Carmen McRae, Bunny Paul and troduced most of the acts and spun cago area. disks. Night club entertainer Adele acts.

who furnished the record: used.

WHY PUT IT IN WRITING?

Written Location Contracts: What They Do and Don't Do

(Editor's Note: Samples of location contracts will be mailed to music operators upon request. Address your request to the Coin Machine Editor, 188 W. Randolph Street, Chicago.)

CHICAGO---Why should mu- when discussing the pro and con

influence some operators to use know: written contracts while others are content to ignore them?

continually raised by operators parties set forth in writing.

sic operators use written contracts? of the written agreement. Follow-

[What should they know about] ing are questions most often asked, them? What are the factors that and the answers operators should

Q. What is a written contract? A. A written contract is a mutual These and other questions are agreement between two or more Q. Why should an operator use a contrast?

Why Written .

A. Basically, a written contract to profit via album releases. offers protection-both for the operator and the location owner. A contract spells out the terms of an agreement, thus avoiding ill will between operator and owner over misunderstanding concerning a commission or service arrangements at a later date; it establishes ownership in the event of bankruptey or new owner claims; it discourages unfair competition, and it is enforceable by law. A written contract is a businessman's way of doing business.

Q. Is a receipt as good as a contract?

A. No. The receipt simply establishes ownership in the event Between the display room and ownership is ever challenged. However, a receipt is better than nothcupies the rear third of the store, a ing. It will stand up in court should special listening room has been set a new location owner challenge an up. The listening room, dressed up operator's ownership and it proto resemble a modern living room, vides the necessary evidence to is near the three-quarter mark. features a wide variety of console collect insurance in the event of

into a location?

Competition

A. No. If the location owner can filled the terms of a contract, the mated 500 machines in the North

Vault Platters Are Turned Into **Gleaming Gold** Continued from page 39

cash in. Decca recently sought to turn vault properties of Nat (King) Cole, Stan Kenton and Ted Lewis

Another classic example of multi-exposure came earlier this year with the release of the pic, "The Benny Goodman Story." In the frantic rush to cash in on the flick, there were Goodman pack-ages from all quarters. RCA Victor and Columbia added gravy to their coffers with re-issues of material that had long since paid its way, while Capitol and Decca worked on new Goodman fare, the latter label pushing the actual sound track of the film. Everybody cashed in heavily that time.

Dime Play Gains In North Jersey

NEWARK, N. J .--- The drive of the Music Guild of New Jersey to convert to dime play on juke boxes built within the last three years

The organization has set September 3 as its target date. At that Q. Will a written contract actu- time it hopes to have 2,000 newer a record and tape unit at one end ally stop competition from moving machines converted to dime play. As of Monday (6), some 1,472 conversions had been reported.

The drive got under way at the (Continued on page 99) Jersey area were on dime play.

FILITTI PACKAGE Sells Music First, Last and All Ways

CHICAGO --- Joe Filitti, head juke box servicemen and collectors of Blackstone Music here, is a juke because of its central location. box operator, a businessman and a good example of a real music store is the display room. On salesman.

Filitti, who is also an officer of Recorded Music Service Associacert and Record Hop for teen-agers tion, carries two business calling cards in his wallet when he's out urban Hamtramck Thursday (9). calling on prospective customers. The dance was the third teen One card carries the firm name Blackstone Music, his juke box Headliners on the program were operating company. The other, a brand new addition, reads Hi-Fi, Lenny Dee. Disk jockey Buck Inc., and represents one of the Mathews, a newcomer on WJR, in- newest fidelity stores in the Chi-

The new store carries everything Storm introduced a few amateur from component high fidelity parts to commercial background music UMO was represented by Roy tape recorders. From this store Small, conciliator, and Tony Sira- Filitti now runs both his juke box cuse, of Circle Music Company, business and music business. His system or a juke box. other location is still used by his

The front portion of the new tables around the room are phonographs, radios, speakers, amplifiers and other various pieces for off-thestreet customers to inspect.

the service department, which ochigh fidelity speakers, all operated fire or other damage. from a panel located alongside of of the room.

In the service department, mechanics might be working on a speaker, an intercommunication show that an operator has not full- end of June. At that time an esti-

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MUSIC MACHINES

Resort Routes Suffer as Cool, Wet Weather Keeps Gothamites at Home

But Manhattan Operators Pick Up Extra Play; Neighborhood Locations Fare Best

erator's meat is another operator's and a lot of rain. poison. Juke box and amusement routes in Manhattan are holding up fairly well this summer, and they are certainly ahead of last year at this time.

Resort Play

A combination like this hits hard at the resort business, and when people spend less time at the mountains or the seaside, they But operators with routes in the spend less time in resort tavenrs and Catskills and at the Long Island restaurants. Naturally, it follows and New Jersey beach resorts are that they spend less nickels and singing the blues. For them, this dimes in games and juke boxes. has been one of the worst summers Fortunately for New York op-

in the last decade. erators, Manhattan locations are The villian or hero of the piece- reaping some benefits from the depending on where you operate- resort slump. When people cut is the weather. This summer has short their out-of-town weekends,

NEW YORK-What's one op- seen some unseasonably cool days or when they cancel them, the money they didn't spend at the resorts is often spent in town-dining out and visiting the neighborhood pubs.

Sullivan County operators, in the heart of the Catskills, report that Sunday nights this year have been dead. In previous years, the weekend started out strong on Friday pace thru Sunday night.

Early Departures

This year, the New York tourists **Business Opportunities** are packing up early on Sunday (Continued on page 108)

> EARRINGS, PINS, CAN BE PUT IN CAP sules, \$6 per gross only, plus postage, c.o.d. New England Jewelry, 124 Empire St., Dept. B. C., Providence, B. I.

> > **Help Wanted**

WANTED-FHONOGRAPH AND PIN GAMI

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contract is void. In most cases, gal action. Each case is different, and two-year agreements are used however, a location owner who has only the operator himself can designed a contract will think twice cide what to do.

to object to a contract?

A. Not if the operator has properly presented the subject.

Selling Points

Q. What are the selling points

A. In selling a location owner is in black and white and the op- on the value of a written contract, erator lives up to the terms, the an operator should do two things: He should stress the fact that a Q. Should the commission ar- contract is good business and point rangements be detailed in the con- out that it helps the location

among operators and not infrequently. Three years is sought be-Q. Isn't a location owner likely cause it provides ample time for operators to receive a fair return on their investments. One and twoyear contracts are usually easier to sell.

Q. How do you renew a con-

Renewals '

A. Many contracts are selfrenewable. The contracts specify that the agreements will renew automatically at the termination date of the contract unless notice be given by either party 30 days prior to the expiration date. Other methods include a change of equip-



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SMALL SLOT MACHINE ROUTE

WHY PUT IT IN WRITING?

before he changes operators.

Q. Should the service to be provided by the operator be spelled out?

A. Unless the service terms are spelled out, the operator is vulnerable to the whims of a location of a written contract? owner. If the service to be provided contract is non-breakable.

tract?

tract?

owner as well as the operator. Sell-A. Yes. In the event that a loca- ing a contract is like selling anytion owner breaks a contract, an op- thing else, you must convince the

can prove to the court to what ex- his advantage. tent he has been damaged. The Q. What are some of these selling tion. agreed commission arrangement en- points? ables the court to award an oper- A. The most often used selling be notified of a contract with the ment.

mission arrangements?

about because minimum commis- unless he has a contract. sion arrangements were included in the contract. George A. Miller, a location owner on the idea of a president of Music Operators of contract? America, refers to minimum arrangements as "the most important either when you first sell a location phase of the written contract."

cation for breach of contract?

and the circumstances involved. If of selections or in the model year an operator has made an expensive is often enough. installation and he knows that he has lost the location, then he should be listed in the contract? be compensated for his time and expense. Often an operator will pur- important on auxiliary equipment chase a new piece of equipment as it is on the phonograph itself. for a location only because he has a contract. When this happens, and he then loses the location before the contract expires, he should be compensated. However, where the money to be collected is insignificant or there is some possibility of getting the location back, the operator would be wise to postpone le-



crator has no recourse unless he buyer that the transaction is to men' and any of the other methods

ator an amount equal to the aver- angle is service. Operators point age weekly collection earned prior out that a location owner is more to the breach of contract multiplied apt to agree to a contract when he that a location owner must notify by the number of weeks remaining knows it means top-notch service in the unexpired term of the agree- for his spot. Record changes are often included in the contract for Q. What about minimum com- the same reason. Still another method used is for the operator to A. Several court cases in Cali- point out that he will not be given fornia in favor of operators came credit on his phonograph purchase

Q. When is the best time to sell

A. Generally the best time is on your service or when you install Q. Should an operator sue a lo- a new piece of equipment. The new equipment doesn't have to be A. It depends upon the operator brand new, a change in the number

Q. Should auxiliary equipment

A. Yes. Proof of ownership is as How Complex?

Q. Does a contract need to be complicated?

A. A contract does not need to be complicated. Many contracts consist of little more than a signed receipt for the equipment. Often an exchange of letters between operators and location owners consti-

tute a contract. Of course, the more detailed a contract is in commis sions and service agreements, the more effective it is.

Q. Does a contract help establish credit for an operator?

A. Banks and finance houses honor contracts when extending credit. A verbal agreement between operator and location owner, on the other hand, represents no collateral whatsoever.

Q. How long a period should a contract cover?

A. The ideal length of a contract Novelty Company, Montreal, and between operators and location W. Van Dusen, Van Dusen Bros., owners is three years, altho one Edmonton, Canada.

used when first selling the loca-

Q. Should new location owners former owner?

A. Yes. Most contracts specify the new buyer of the contract. This, however, becomes difficult to prove in court. For that reason, the operator should take it upon himself to tell the new owner as soon as possible.

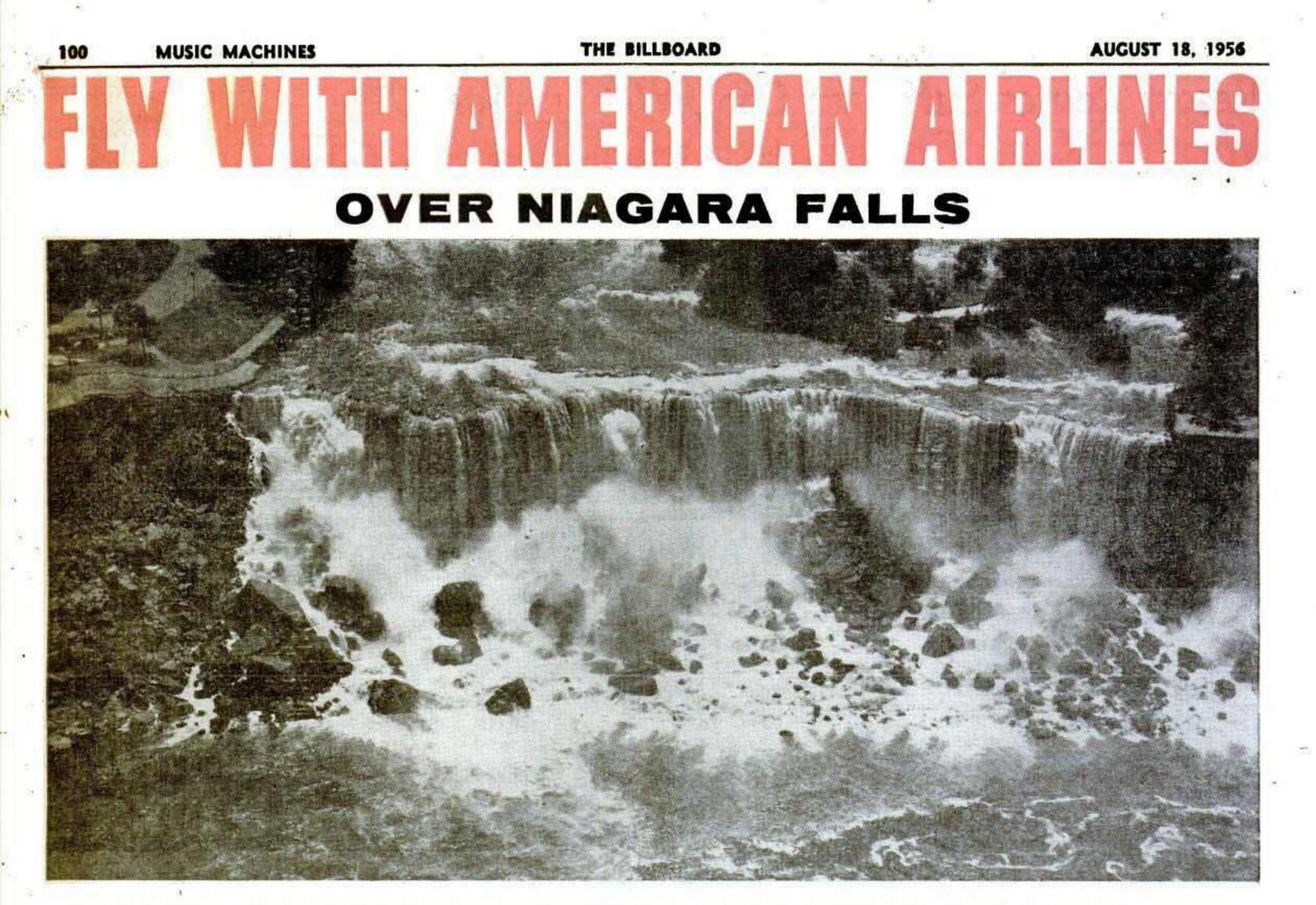
O. Should an operator have a different.contract on each piece of equipment in a location?

A. Since different commission arrangements and servicing techniques are used on different types of equipment, operators should have a contract for each type. For example, a contract covering a juke box installation differs considerably from one covering a ciga rette machine.

Atlanta.







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COINMEN YOU KNOW

Chicago

FUTURE GLIMPSE. Amusement game manufacturers in the Windy City gave Rock-Ola distributors, in Chicago for the unveiling of the firm's new 200-selection phonograph, a peak at future games. Many of the music men also handle games. (For names of Rock-Ola distribs here see story in Music Machines.)

Out at D. Gottlieb & Company the entire Gottlieb clan-Dave, Nate, Sol and Alvin-were on hand, a rare event, to welcome visitors....Greeting the distribs at Williams Manufacturing and Sales Company were Harry Williams, president; Sam Stern, executive v.p., and Art Weinand, sales manager. . . . Art and some of the boys adjourned from the plant to Soldier Field to watch the All-Star Football battle.

With Sam Lewis, president, on the West Coast, Chet Gore and Ed Hall assisted Frank Mencuri, v.p., in showing visitors Exhibit Supply Company's new items. . . . Bill DeSelm, sales manager, headed the greetings committee out at United. . . . Incidentally, Ray Riehl, rarely seen around the home office, was in at United.

Missing Chi's heat wave last week was Ralph Sheffield of Genco, making a sales tour thru Western Canada....And Paul Huebsch, J. H. Keeney's general sales manager, is due back this week from Northern Wisconsin....He's been vacationing with his wife and children for the past two weeks. . . . Bulk operator Ray C. Thompson with his wife is taking their eight-year-old daughter, Nancy, on a tour of Chicago historic sites and buildings.

Jack Mitnick working hard and long at his office in United headquarters....Bill De Selm, United sales manager, in and out all week....Ed Ratajack, AMI sales director, last Friday night looking forward happily to spending a night out for the first time in a long. long while with the Mrs. (Jean)....Gertie, Exhibit's lovely receptionist, looking better than ever....Al Scheslinger, managing director of the National Coin Machine Distributors' Association, hard at work on association plans.

New York

By AARON STERNFIELD

George Ponser, Newark, N. J., jobber, has come out with a jumbosize slate table top with big bumpers and a center hole for an option shot. He said the slate top conversion business is still holding up.

Dave Stern, Seacoast Distributors, enjoyed the hospitality of the boys at Young Distributing Company of Long Island at Freeport recently. Hank Walton, Sandy Moore and Gabe (Dr. Belvidere) Foreman acted as hosts.

MUSIC OPERATOR FORUM **Op** Diversification

Touches All Fields (Editor's Note: This is the third in a series of Music Operator Forums covering juke box diversification. The first two articles highlighted diversification via other types of coin-operated equipment, pointed out how widespread the trend was and why operators thought it was necessary. This week's Forum, however, deals with diversification via non-

coin-operated equipment.) Music operators are diversified businessmen. Last week's Music Operator Forum pointed out that five out of six operators, or 83 per cent,

had diversified coin machine routes. Operators participating in this week's Forum, however, show that this trend to diversification does not limit itself to coin-operated equipment.

Nearly one-third of the MOF operators said that they had a second business-other than operating. And while some of the second businesses were closely associated with the coin machine industry, others were as different as night and day.

Quite naturally, the bulk of the side-line businesses were outgrowths of experience and music know-how acquired in the juke box business.

As the accompanying chart shows, 29 per cent of the operators who have a second business are in record retailing, 17 per cent furnish background music and another 18 per cent are evenly divided between one-stops and distributorships.

The "other" category included everything from gas stations and restaurants to finance companies and real estate firms. Radio-television retail and repair shops, tho not listed on the chart, also polled a heavy return.

The reasons for moving into other businesses were the same as those given by operators who diversified their juke box routes with other types of coin machine equipment: To increase revenue and check costs.

The bulk of the operators who turned to rec-

and had a know-how in the record buying field, they soon found that selling locations on background music was no harder than selling them on juke boxes.

When television first began cutting juke box collections, a number of operators turned to coinoperated television to offset the loss in revenue. These operators, when TV became more common and priced for the home market, discarded their television routes and turned to television service and repair.

With the introduction of high fidelity, operators again found their experience made to order for a side-line business. In some areas operators built special Hi-Fi listening rooms and began distributing or retailing the high-cost equipment necessary for high-fidelity sets.

And in a number of cases the juke box business was the side-line to begin with. For example, restaurant owners, believing that there was a big potential in juke boxes, began operating a string of phonograph stops. Many times the juke box routes quickly overshadowed the former businesses.

Part-time, music operators also have other businesses. The greater percentage of these operators, however, have hopes of becoming full-time juke box men in the future-dropping their other interests gradually.

Summer slumps and location loans also play a part in setting up an operator in another business. To check collection fall-offs in poor seasons, operators often buy interest in other types of firms. Still other operators are forced to assume part ownership in locations which are unable to pay back loans.

What do operators think of this non-coinoperated diversification? They think it's healthy, but they regard it strictly as a "side line." "Primarily, we're music operators," the overwhelming majority asserted.



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Gene Brody, Atlantic-New York, is on a golfing vacation in New England. . . . Phil Raisen, Banner Music, is taking long weekends to visit his wife and family in the Orange Mountains of New Jersey.

Nash Gordon, Music Operators of New York, is back from his vacation in the Thousand Islands. , . . Red Zirpoli, A&Z Vending, is in the hospital. . . . Jack Hearn, Lasalle Music, is about to become a father for the third time.

Larry Dentico is out of the hospital. . . . Jack Small, J&S Amusement, has bought a route from J. D. & H. Amusement. . . . Gershon Sadowsky and Israel Bilus have bouth Seymour Howard's game route.

Al Koondell, Empire Automatic, is vacationing in Canada, He will attend the Wurlitzer Centennial in North Tonawanda, N. Y. . . . Walter Conrad Jr., Conrad Music, Suffern, N. Y., recently became the father of twin girls. This makes five youngsters in the Conrad household, all CITIS.

Mrs. Anne Koenig, Kingston, N. Y., operator, is in the Benedictine Hospital in Kingston. . . . Irv Kempner is off the road and filling in for Morris Rood at Runyon Sales while Morris takes his long weekends. Barney Sugerman, Runyon president, was in Chicago on business last week.

Ted Parker, new Wurlitzer district manager, was in town to visit Joe Young, Irv Holzman and Abe Lipsky. . . . Claire Morano, office manager of the Associated Amusement Machine Operators of New York, returned last week from a Cuban vacation.

Miami

By RAOUL SHAPIRO

JUKE BUSINESS CONTINUES GOOD. The many operators claim business has slowed down a bit in the past couple of weeks, every operator questioned admits collections are much better than they were a year ago at this time. And as Morris Marder, of M&M Service, says, "thank God for dime play." . . . Art Zuker, who was connected with Budisco, and learned the record business the hard way, is now in the business office of Station WINZ. Art still calls Budisco every couple of weeks to find out what the boys are using on the boxes.

Morris and Evelyn Diamond, of Diamond Amusement Company, visited their son Alan recently. Alan is away at camp for the summer, and when the Diamonds visited him they found that he was carrying a torch for a girl up thataway. And at nine years of age yet. . . Eddie Weber, routeman for Music Makers, back from his vacation. Eddie spent almost a week of his time laid up. Another guy away for his vacation is Dave Friedman, of American Operating Company. Dave and his lovely wife, Evelyn, are spending their vacation in the mountains of Hendersonville, -N. C.

Willie Blatt, of Music Makers, and his wife. Sydelle, who have been motoring across the country, have headed east and have now arrived at Hendersonville. With Dave Friedman and Willie Blatt there, the gin games will be going constantly.

Marty Olson, of Mars Amusement Company; Buster Railey, of Deale Automatic Company, and Larry Finn, of Mellow Annusement (Continued on page 102)

ord retailing did so because it gave them the opportunity of selling used phonograph records and at the same time provided them with a larger library of records which could be used on their routes.

A few, seeing the potentials of one-stops, began stepping up their volume and were soon selling disks to other operators and retail stores.

Background music was also a natural step for operators to take. The thinking here usually got its start when operators found good locations refusing juke box service, but at the same time not adverse to non-coin-operated music. Since operators were well equipped to handle service,

Non-Coin Diversification

CHARLES R. EAGAN, Kansas City, Mo.: "In my opinion, the only profitable salvation for all coin machine operators is diversification. To help check costs, etc., we operate background music in addition to juke boxes, games and venders."

WILLIAM M. ZAJO, Milwaukee: "Tho we are concentrating on juke boxes, we are adding background music and games where we can.

L. F. STONE, Erin, Tenn.: "I believe music operators will have to diversify

their operations to keep up with rising costs. In addition to juke boxes, I operate pinballs, shuffle alleys and pool tables. I also operate a printing shop on the side. Stone is also the mayor of Erin, Tenn. When I entered the juke box business in 1921, juke box play was a nickel and new equipment cost about \$225. Today, play is still a nickel, but new equipment is priced over \$1,000. Something has to be added to offset the increased equipment, labor and transportation costs.

A. K. MORSE. Medford, Ore.: "Greater diversification is needed to offset rising costs. Collections are holding about level, but operating costs are climbing steadily. Something must be added to a route to increase revenue. We have some background music installations and pinballs and shuffle games."

PLACERVILLE MUSIC COMPANY, Placerville, Calif .: "We believe greater diversification is necessary. Even dime play is unable to carry the increasing operating cost load. We operate all kinds of coin machine equipment-jukes, games and venders -and run a TV sales and service store also."

BOB YOUNG, Osceola, Wis.: "To hold costs down, we are concentrating on juke boxes and background music installations.

How They Voted 1. In addition to coin machines, do you have any other type business? 30.8% Yes 69.2% No 180.0% 2. If you do have another business in addition to your juke box and/or coin machine route, what is the nature of your second business? 29% Retail record store 17% Background music Operator one-stop 950 9.96 Distributorship 36% Other 100%

ED BIXLER, Brentwood, Mo.: "We rent phonographs without coin chutes for parties and dances. We keep the machines stocked with current tunes and supply standards and rhythm and blues when requested.

WIN SOUND ENGINEERS, Chicago: "We specialize in music for undertakers, Merry-Go-Rounds and Kiddielands. We are able to supply them with music they have trouble obtaining. At present these three fields are all we hit, but we may go into restaurant background music later."

PAUL BROWN, Chicago: "We operate a record store in addition to our juke box route. People were always stopping in and asking if we had records for sale, so we set up a counter and began accommodating them."

FLORIDA MUSIC COMPANY, West Palm Beach, Fla.: "Music operators are going to have to be greater specialists in music programming to survive. We operate background music in addition to our juke box route and it fits in fine.'

JOE FILITTI, Chicago: "We operate a highfidelity phonograph and tape recorder retail store in addition to our music route. We are now able to sell music from A to Z. Locations wanting background music or special high-fidelity speakers can be served as well as those wanting juke box installations."

E. STOCKHAM, Bloomingdale, Mich.: "We operate other coin machine equipment besides juke boxes and also have a background music service. We think the trend will be to greater diversification because of rising costs.

ELITE NOVELTY SHOP, Bozeman, Mont.: "We operate a retail record shop and other types of coin machine equipment in addition to our juke box route,

A. ANDREWS, La Grange, Ga.: "We operate another business and have a background music service in addition to juke boxes. Equipment costs are so high that operators must diversify to make a profit."



STONE

(Next Week: Highlights of Diversification)















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LOS ANGELES -- Approximately 30 local operators along with Sierra Distributors personnel plan to attend the Wurlitzer Cen- (20) and spend two days in New tennial Club Celebration to be York City before going to Buffalo. held in Buffalo for three days start- The Sierra representatives will reing Thursday (23), a Sierra spokes- turn to their desks on August 27.

man said last week. Among those who will represent Sierra, local Wurlitzer distributor, are Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Copeland, co-partners of the company; Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wisler, sales depart-Davis, sales and advertising.

The group will leave Monday

NEWS

QUIZ

Filitti Package • Continued from page 98

Do the Hi-Fi and juke box business mix? Filitti says they do. In ment, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank fact, he said, one is always helping the other.

> "When I'm out calling on a prospective customer," Filitti said, "I never know if I'm going to end up selling him juke box service or background music. If he wants background music, I invite him out to the shop to have a look at some of the various set-ups available. Once he sees the store, he's convinced that we know what we're doing.'

> Filitti will either sell the tape unit and speaker's to a background music customer or rent them. So far, he said, the customers have purchased the equipment and contracted for service. At present, Filitti is using Presto tape recording units which play eight hours of continuous music without repetition.

"By having background music," Filitti said, "we even get new juke box locations. In one location, the location owner wanted background music only. He emphatically declared that he did not want a juke box on the premises. However, after the background music installation had been made, he admitted that a juke box might be a good idea in the recreation room. The juke box was installed and is doing great."

Hi-Fi, Inc., carries some records, but only 331s's at present. The a handled.

In praising the advantages of handling background music and fidelity equipment, Filitti . said: "By having all kinds of music, we are now able to call on banks, factories, office buildings and just about anywhere else that music is Los Angeles desirable. The new line also adds the element of prestige to our juke box business-from any angle, combining the two lines sure helps our ousiness."

COINMEN YOU KNOW

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Company, are making their routes dressed in Bermuda shorts. Guess you have to be as big as those guys are to get away with it.

Mel Schwartz, of Mellow Music Company, back from his vacation trip across country, while his partner, Willie Levy, off to South America with his wife, Pearl, for a well-earned rest. Down from New York way to discover that Miami is wonderful in the summer, too, was Mr. and Mrs. Harry Koeppell, of Koeppel Distributing Company. Also down from thataway is Ruth and Murray Michaelson. Ruth operates Atlas Vending in Brooklyn, and besides being one of the few women in the business, is also one of the real veterans in the juke box industry. Happy vacationing to you nice people. Jo Hiller, of Binkley Distributing Company, celebrated her eighth wedding anniversary this past week. May there be many, many more of them for a wonderful gal and her swell husband, George.

Milwaukee

By BENN OLLMAN

HASTINGS' SUMMER RECEIPTS OK. Sam Hastings reports that his firm's route receipts have been holding up fairly strong this summer. Sales of premium merchandise have fallen, however, he adds. Stopping in this week at the Hastings Distributors in search of good used equipment were Tony Hirt, Sheboygan; Art Bartz, Mount Horeb, and Greg Schafer, Whitewater.

George Gerken, Capitol Record's district sales manager, spent a few days in the Beer City calling on accounts with local sales manager Bob Thompson. . . . Carl Millman, Automatic Merchandising Corporation, was elected an associate member of the American Institute of Management. . . . Dick Wall,

Holloway Candy sales representative, reports that the vending trade is finding his firm's newest item, Yip-Yaps, a good seller at a nickel.

Edgar Whitely, routeman for C. & W. Novelty Company of South Milwaukee, is vacationing this week. . . . Harry Jacobs Jr. is sporting a beard. The only bearded coinman in the territory, he is nurturing the adornment in recognition of the larger inventory is planned in the Centennial celebration of the Wurlitzer Company. future, popular records will not be He and at least 10 operators and their wives are scheduled to attend the Wurlitzer Centennial doings in Buffalo in August. Incidentally, he denies

all reports that he is bleaching or dveing his Burl Ives-style beard. . . . Gabe Nelson has just returned from his honeymoon trip to Canada and the Great Lakes states. . . . Otto Hadrian has purchased a new station wagon, a four-door Ford.



MILLMAN

DID YOU READ THESE EXCLUSIVE INDUSTRY NEWS ITEMS PUBLISHED IN THE BILLBOARD AND ONLY IN THE BILLBOARD-LAST WEEK?

COIN

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RISING COSTS AND JUKE OPERATORS. To meet continual rising costs, competition and to hold onto locations, phono operators are expanding operations with other coinoperated equipment to match competition, lower service cost, increase net income. (Page 91, The Billboard, August 11).

PRODUCTION STARTS. With assembly lines completed, Fedam began production on small, hot food vender with 50-can capacity. Shipments slated for September. Firm also developed steel cabinet stand for unit with storage space. (Page 94, The Billboard, August 11.)

CONFUSE PINBALL PIC-TURE. Interpretation of lawsmunicipal, State and federalis hampering current growth of pinballs, a mainstay of the coin-operated amusement games. Industry leaders cite need for universal clarification of laws. (Page 100, The Billboard, August 11.)

DISCRIMINATORY MUSIC FEES. United Music Operators of Michigan prepare to fight unfair juke box licensing ordinances and regulations in Detroit suburbs. Will cite Detroit ordinance as model. (Page 90,

The Billboard, August 11.)

DIVERSIFICATION. Participants in The Billboard's Music Operator Forum lean to specialization, but reports disclose that five out of six currently operate some other coin machine equipment because of location requests. (Page 92, The Billboard, August 11.)

A CONTINUING STORY OF

RIFLE GAME PRICES HOLD. Further expansion of the gun game field is being mulled by game manufacturers because of the fact that rifle games introduced in 1954-'55 are still bringing good prices on the market. (Page 100, The Billboard, August 11.)

in Action

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Ark. Dime Push

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most operators in the area all decided to change to dime play. They were:

Robert Brunner Jr., partner in John-Frank. Inc., Marked Tree; C. E. Tolliver, owner of Tolliver Amusement Co., Lepanto, Ark.; Elmer Womack, owner of Womack Music Co., Jonesboro, Ark., and R. R. Huddleston, owner of Huddleston Amusement Co., Marked Tree. Singleton said the move was "the most progressive one we have ever made. We hope to convert Jonesboro next."

The operators all reported at a recent meeting that increased costs during the past few years had forced them to make the conversions.

Singleton said he decided, with the aid of new machines, to "give dime play a whirl whether his competitors went for it or not."

But, operators did go along, pointing out that all that was needed was a start.

The Arkansas-Missouri Operators Association was formed eight months ago and covers the East Arkansas-South Missouri territory which is within the Memphis trade territory. All shop and buy equipment from Memphis distributors.

Memphis operators effected a successful change-over more than a year ago, directed by the Memphis Music Association

Officers of the Arkansas-Missouri group are Hunry Hitchcock, owner of Jonesboro Music Co., president; John Brunner Jr., partner of John-Frank, Inc., Marked Tree, vice-president; and Robert L. Eblin, owner of Paragould Music Co., Paragould, Ark., secretary-treasurer.

By SAM ABBOTT

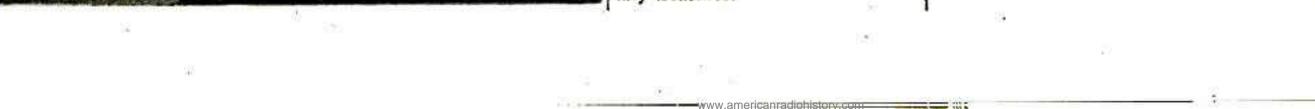
WEYMOUTH PLANS HAWAII JAUNT. Al Weymouth, of Weymouth Distributing Company here, left with his family this week for the mountains. When they return in a couple of weeks Weymouth will leave for Hawaii on business. He reports that the Smokeshoppe cigarette venders are selling well in his territory, which includes the 11 Western States, Hawaii and Alaska. . . . Marshall Ames, Badger Sales representative in the Bakersfield, San Bernardino and Fresno areas, has been pulled into the local headquarters to help out while Fred Gaunt, who is in charge of coin machine sales, is ill. The Ames are expecting an addition to the family in February. Both Elsie and Marshall predict that it will be a girl. It has to be, they say, for they already have two sons.

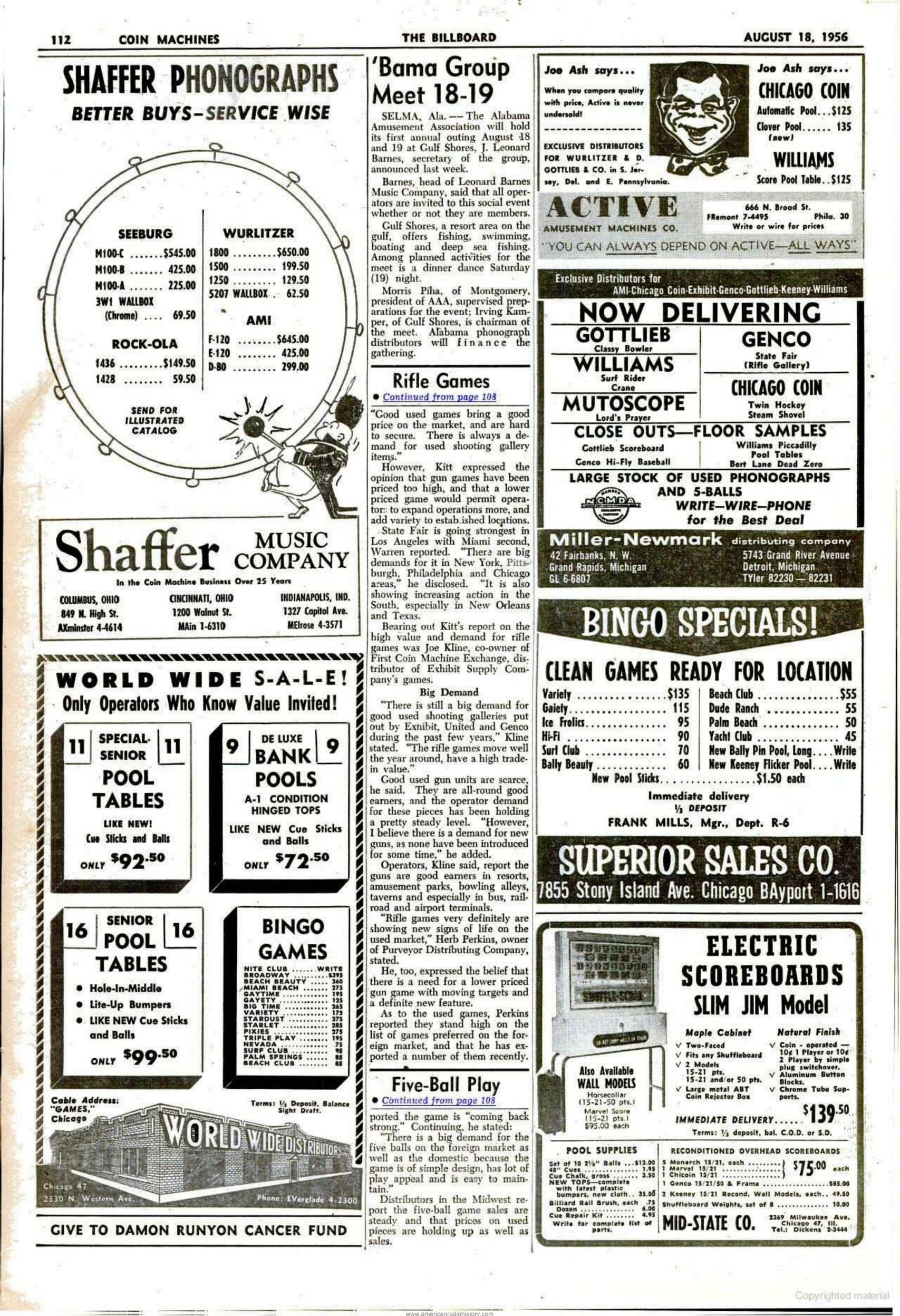
Charles A. Robinson, of the C. A. Robinson Company, is holding down the fort while Dave Wallach, salesman, and Al Bettelman, manager, are on vacation. Wallach handles out-of-town sales. . . . Clarence Burrows, of Las Vegas, made a fast trip into town for parts and supplies for his music and game routes there. . . . Bernie Knott, of El Monte, was also in town and stopped off at Badger Sales. . . Buyers from Central California last week included Clyde Love, buying for the Model Vending Service in Visalia, and Ray Paden for his operation in Hanford. . . . Sid Snyder dropped in from San Bernardino. ... Johnny Nelsen, Inglewood operator, is looking forward to the opening of the hunting season. He reports that the best duck and goose hunting in the world is right in California in the Tulelake area. . . . Joseph F. Hrdlicka, service manager phonograph department of the Wurlitzer Company in North Tonawanda, stopped off here at the Sierra Distributors as he was winding up a vacation spent in Vancouver, B. C. Also at Sierra was Walter Peteet, West Coast service manager, who makes his headquarters in San Francisco. . . . C. A. (Shorty) Culp, co-partner in Sierra, is spending a few days here with Wayne Copeland. The Culps recently returned from a trip to Hawaii and will soon leave for Oklahoma City. . . . R. E. Smith has opened the Vending Machine Mart on South Western Avenue. He is handling the Vari-Vend in addition to offering used machines.

R. E. Smith Jr. is officiating as manager of National Rejectors here during the absence of H. O. Heddergott, who is now in Germany where the company is manufacturing. Local office handles National Rejectors in the 11 Western States. . . . Mrs. Walt Schinkal, who handles the records for her husband in San Diego, made her first airplane flight last week when she flew to Washington State for a vacation.

Salt Lake City

INCOME UP FROM DIME PLAY. A number of music box operators in Salt Lake City area are reporting increased income from the changeover to dime play. And, they say, the changeover is going smoothly, for the most part. . . . Otto Stevens, Alton, Wo., operator was in Salt Lake City. . . . He said business has dropped for him because the new highway going thru town has caused tourists to detour around Afton. . . . Mile Nechaniky, of Canteen Service of Utah, is pleased with his first Brewmatic fresh coffee dispenser. . . . Harold McGinnis, factory rep from San Francisco, was in town to set the new machine up. . . . Jack Masterson, music operator from Panguitch, Utah, stopped in towa. (Continued on page 107)



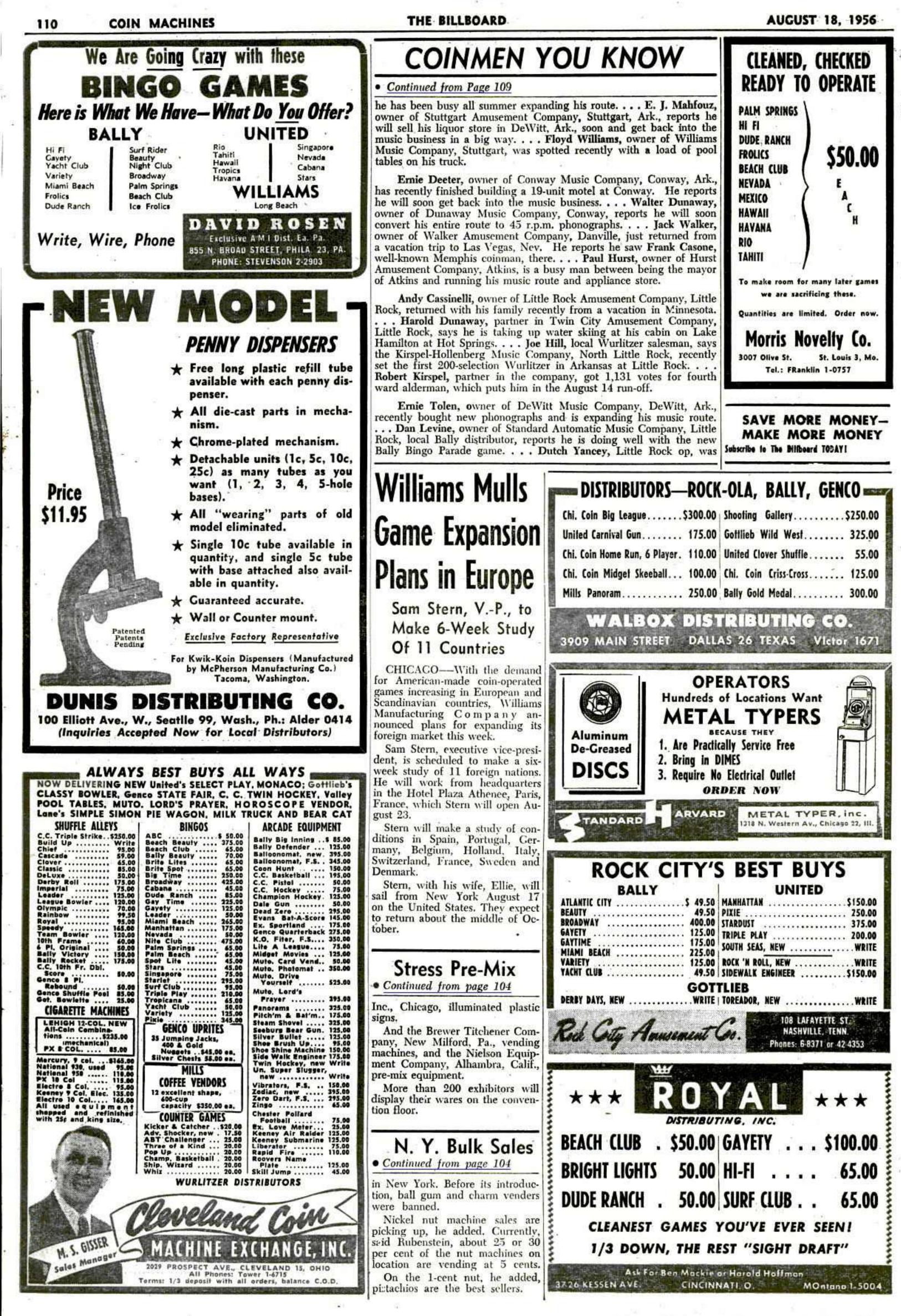


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COINMEN YOU KNOW POOL GAMES New & Used Continued from page 107 Exhibit Skill Score, Spanish Pool,; King Size, Regular Size. Washington Chicago Coin Advance Pool, Hooligan Pool, Clover Pool, Champion Pool. By DELORES NEWCOMB Genco Tournament Pool, Standard AIRPORT GAME GROSSES UP. The Game Room at Washington's WRITE FOR PRICES National Airport is doing a "very satisfying" business, according to PRICED LOW-PRICED TO SELL. owner Michael Bushdid. He credits the increased profits to the fact that vacationers are increasing in numbers now that summer is here. W. B. DISTRIBUTORS, INC. Bushdid's venture into background music continues profitable. He 1012 MARKET ST. ST. LOUIS, MO. recently installed equipment in the Sears, Roebuck chain in Washington 111111111111111 and nearby Maryland and Virginia. Jack Edgar, Canteen Company, says Washington's changeable Arcade & Kiddie Ride weather "both helps and hinders" vending business. He adds that collections are good generally. . . . Norman Hayter, formerly associated BARGAINS ESTABLISHED 1923 with Dr. Pepper-Tru Ade, recently purchased the Frosty Bottling Deco CarouselsEa. \$225.00 Company and now operates in Frederick, Md. Chico Super Jets 199.50 Rocket Ships 150.00 Clown See Saw 175.00 Roger Squitero, treasurer of Hirsh Machines, is enjoying the cool Mutoscope Skyfighter 60.00 Ex. Rifle Galleries 125.00 breezes in the mountains of West Virginia. Hirsh recently picked up several new locations, and business is "fine." . . . Sid Lotenberg, Keeney Sportsman Rifle Del. 195.00 Exhibit Space Gun 89.50 of the G. B. Macke Corporation, says the company has had a great Exhibit Silver Bullets 50.00 deal of success with its outdoor locations. Business at pools is particu-Chico Four-Player Derby ... 95.00 Wms. Major League Baseball 125.00 larly good, he says. Macke will move into new, larger quarters in Wms. Deluxe Baseball 99.50 lanuary. Wurlitzer 1400, 45 rpm ... 194.50 Denver Pingames By BOB LATIMER TROPICS Bally Hi Fi\$ 69.50 Wms. Hayburner 30.00 DISTRIB TO DONATE JUKE. Pete Geritz, head of Mountain Dis-Wms. Gun Club 60.00 tributors, will donate a reconditioned juke box to Juvenile Hall, boys' Wms. Fairway 75.00 Wms. C.O.D. 80.00 detention home, operated by famed Judge Philip Gilliam. . . . Tom Wms. Cue Tee 80.00 Sams and Gene Wasson, AMI, Inc., VIP's visited Pete recently. . . . Wms. Army-Navy 65.00 In town also were Harry Poulos, of Owl Music Company, Cheyenne, Wyo.; Vincent Lujan, of Billings, Mont., formerly Denver operator American Bank Shot Shufflebd., who is now one of Montana's biggest. 14 ft., with scoring unit. . 150.00 Seeburg Model R 725.00 Following a long illness, James Schaefer, president of No-Name 1/2 Deposit With Order. Clean and Ready. Music Company, Glenwood, passed away. Just 49 years old, he had been active in the coin machine business more than 24 years. . . . Title ODCO, Inc. of New Music Company, Pueblo, vacated by Sam Salardino when he renamed his firm Sali Music Company; will be taken over by brother 1100 02 Broadway, Albany 4, H. Y. Charlie Salardino, who will cperate in Florence. Telephone 5 0228 Bryan Edwards, head of Edwards Distributing Company, Douglas, Wyo., in town last month to talk shop, reported Northern Wyoming 3000 operators' collections well ahead of last year. . . . Jim Hall, Pueblo music operator, stopped by highway patrolman who quizzed him closely GAMES & MUSIC IN STOCK! on high trout catch, finally convinced him that catch was from several



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McKendrick, Idaho Springs, joined James Dibasio in management of Turkey Creek Music Company in that town.

Miss Betty Ferguson, secretary at Draco Sales Company, absent extra week after vacation from illness. . . . Doyle Harrington joined Draco staff. . . . Royal Houtteman, pin game operator, celebrating winning trophy at his country club's annual golf tourney. Toured 18 holes in 7 under par to win new electric golf skooter as first prize.

Little Rock

By ELTON WHISENHUNT

WEST MEMPHIS, ARK., OP TO OPEN CAFE-Morris Berger, owner of the Plantation Amusement Company at West Memphis, will soon open a new cafe at West Memphis specializing in Mexican food. He will, of course, place his own coin machines in it. . . . John Bruner Jr., partner in John Frank Music Company at Marked Tree, has been in Baptist Hospital with a back injury. . . . Henry Hitchcock, owner of Hitchcock Amusement Company, Jonesboro, was in Memphis recently shopping for new equipment.

Robert Eblin, owner of Paragould Music Company, Paragould, who has been bedridden with cancer of the stomach, is reported improving after taking a series of cobalt treatments. . . . Cotton Cole, owner of Melody Music Company, Paragould, had his brother-in-law, Hugh Moore, of Albany, N. Y., as a vacation visitor recently. Moore is a music op at Albany.

Sam Torjusen, owner of B. & T. Amusement Company, Blytheville, reports that the crops all look good and should result in the best fall business this year they've had in Blytheville in some time. . . Warren Smith, owner of S. & D. Amusement Company, Hoxie, Ark., says things look good there for a big business this fall. . . . Fred Swan, owner of Swan Music Company, Forrest City, Ark., made a fishing trip to Kentucky Lake recently. His old faithful employee, Bill Poland, took care of the business during his absence. . . . Mrs. Delores Bokker, owner of Bokker Amusement Company, Forrest City, reports collections down, as usual, during the summer.

Pete Adams, owner of Adams Amusement Company, Forrest City, was in Memphis recently shopping for new equipment. . . . Ditto Tom Armstrong, owner of Armstrong Amusement Company, Brinkley, Ark. ... Olan Jackson, owner of Jackson Novelty Company, Brinkley, says (Continued on page 110)

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Stage Set for Big Five-Ball Novelty Play, Enter Chi Coin

pinball play.

novelty field was strengthened last location more readily." week with the announcement that the Chicago Coin Machine Company has re-entered the field.

amusement game manufacturers American made games. may follow in the footsteps of Chicago Coin. However, firms contacted last week would neither confirm nor deny these reports.

D. Gottlieb & Company and Williams Manufacturing Company, in 11 European and Scandinavian principal producers of five-ball novelty games, are currently producing models. Williams introduced a new model last week (see separate story in this section).

Market Steady

The market for this type of game has held steady thruout the United States even thru the summer which tend to cut off sharply output of other types of coin games.

Discussing Chicago Coin's move back into the field, Sam Wolberg, co-partner of the company, stated:

"Five-ball pin games create a stimulus in the industry for new

Chi Coin Back In 5-Pin Game 101 11141 With Blondle

CHICAGO-The stage is set ideas. Each five-ball must have for a big revival of five-ball novelty different play features, and this ager of Gottlieb, attributed the

Renewed interest in the five-ball move the games from location-to-

from European, Scandinavian and equipment. South American countries that they There are also reports that other are waiting with "open arms" for brought many game operators back

Williams' Expansion

Bearing out this fact is the announcement of plans by Williams Manufacturing Company to ex- to locations, thus adding the varie-pand its distributorships of games ty needed." countries.

Sam Stern, executive vice-president, is scheduled to leave for Paris, France, later this month to make a six-week survey of these countries and establish Williams' distributorships. (See story elsewhere in this section.)

Alvin Cottlieb. advertising mandifference enables operators to new interest in the five-ball games to the annual steady average income of the games, and the high Heard more often are the reports resale value of our (Gottlieb)

"The change to dime play has into the five-ball amusement field," he stated. "The over-all level of grosses are increasing because operators can move the games around

Expanding further, he remarked that the export trade is taking much of the used games off the market and that domestic operators are benefiting by the high trade-in value of their equipment.

Art Weinand, Williams' sales manager, said his distributors re-(Continued on page 112)

OLD PINBALL **GETS NEW LEASE** ON LIFE ON RR

NASHVILLE -- A teenager has given a new lease on life to a retired pinball machine. Or, rather its electrical components. Jerry Sullivan, a 17-year-old who hopes one day to become an electrical engineer, used parts from a pinball to build a control system for his model railroad, a hobby he squanders a good deal of time and love on. But he gets his biggest "kick" out of the control system-an intricate and elaborate one which the old pinball made possible.

Marvel Bows **New Rotation Pool Table Top**

CHICAGO-Introduction of a new Rotation Rack Pool table top for conversion purposes of coinoperated pool games was announced last week by Marvel Billiard Supply Company.

The new rotation table tops, according to Charles Nichols, owner of Marvel, omit center bumpers and features only two holes, one at each end of the table instead of the conventional six necessary for regulation pool.

Pockets, or holes, are set slightly away from the cushion for bank plays and are fronted by two bumpers. Spotted on the playfield is an outlined triangle on the cloth indicating where the balls-numbered from 1 to 10-are to be racked. A marked line is on the other end from where a player can shoot to make a break. The rotation balls correspond in color to those universally used for regulation pool, and are the same size as those used for coin-operated games. A larger cue ball is used so that it will remain on the table in case of a scratch shot. Reconversion tops have a Novoply base and are covered with regulation green billiard cloth and list for \$25.95. Regulation balls are priced at \$18.50 and the de

Gotham Ops Get Weather Break, **Resorts Suffer**

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rather than staying over and returning to their jobs Monday morning.

Ironically for the resort operators, prosperity in the metropolitan area is about as high as it has ever been, and the tourists, when they come, spend as much money as they ever did. It's just that they don't come as often or stay as long.

Few Manhattan operators have resort routes. For the most part, Catskill and seaside operators maintain year-round routes; they manage to get by for nine months and depend on the summer to make their big money. A summer like this really hits them where they live.

Neighborhood Routes

All Manhattan operators aren't sharing the money that the resort operators are missing. Generally, operators with routes in neighborhood areas-such as Yorkville, Washington Heights and anything north of the midtown area-are doing more business than is normal for the time of year.

But midtown operators, with transient locations, report that the normal summer slump hasn't slackened one bit. The reason for this situation is that the stav-at-homes are patronizing neighborhood restaurants and bars. The midtown stops depend largely on tourist trade, and they don't figure to pick up any of the business that the resort areas aren't getting.

Rifle Games Show New Signs of Life Distributors Report Demand for Good Used Units Up; Manufacturers Eye Tests

showing new signs of life.

is a big demand for good used gun gun game this year. State Fair games, and that they are hard to Rifle Gallery (The Billboard, July secure, They generally agree gun units are highly prized pieces which can be easily shifted to a variety of locations renewing interest in other hind on orders," Albert S. Warren, coin-operated games and hiking an Further_ distributors point out, gun games always have a good trade-in value, substantiating the Some shipments of the game are report in The Billboard (August 11) that coin-operated rifle games introduced in 1954-55 still bring Renewed manufacturers' interest in rifle games was disclosed this week when several revealed they are experimenting with new gun games, some admitting having pieces on location tests. However, manufacturers admitted generally the "big search" is continuing for a "hot, all-location" game.

CHICAGO---Rifle games are Genco Manufacturing & Sales Company, the first manufacturer Chicago distributors agree there to introduce a new coin-operated 28), reported they have increased their daily working shift on the production of the unit to 12 hours.

CHICAGO-After an absence of several years, Chicago Coin Machine Company has re-entered the five-ball pin game manufacturing operator's gross. field with the introduction of Blondie, a single-player game featuring multiple match play.

being made to distributors this week, according to Sam Wolberg, president. The new game will be good prices on the market. available to operate on nickel or dime play and is equipped with a National slug rejector.

Featured on the extra large back glass score recorder is a replica of a chorus line of five girls that provide multiple match replay, which can be played off in multiples up to five times per game.

By lighting bumpers one to five a player can score an additional 500,000 points, and by hitting targets 6 thru 10 can score one million points. A number 10 hole offers a special score when numbers 1 to 10 are lighted on the backglass.

Chicago Coin also manufactures Twin Hockey, Steam Shovel, bowling games and a complete line of coin-operated pool games.

'My Prayer' Holds MOA Show Lead

NEW YORK - "My Prayer," with the Platters on Mercury, remained the top selection on "National Juke Box," the ABC radio network show prepared by the Music Operators of America.

Other juke box favorites played on the Saturday night (11) program were "My Fair Lady," with Lou DeMarco on Ferris; "One-Finger Piano," with Dick Hyman on M-G-M, and "Whatever Will Be, Will Be," with Doris Day on Columbia.

"From a School Ring to a Wedding tions and in use Ianuary 1. Ring," with the Rover Boys on on RCA Victor.

New Gun Games

Yet, the Exhibit Supply Company has advertised it has a "new gun game coming soon" in The Billboard, July 28.

Brockton Tax Hits Games in Storage

BROCKTON, Mass .--- Even tho pinball games were declared illegal more than three months ago here, operators and location owners have been hit by a new round of taxes on the machines stored within the city.

Taxes were levied last week on thousands of machines, and in many cases the bills were sent to owners of establishments where the devices had been used earlier this year. Most of the machines, have been returned to the operators since the ordinance was passed, but Assessor Edward L. La France explained that the law required a Voted most promising were tax if the machines were in loca-

One store owner, whose five Ampa, and "I'm in the Middle of machines had been stored in the the House," with Vaughn Monroe cellar since the ban, received a bill for \$144.

"We are at least three weeks be-Genco's sales manager, stated.

Gil Kitt, president of Empire Coin Machine Exchange, Genco distributor for Illinois and Wisconsin, reported his company cannot get enough of the State Fair games to satisfy their operator demands.

Stable, Appealing

Kitt stated that rifle games are stable gross earners, and have a rejuvenating effect on locations where customers have lost interest in coin-operated games.

"Rifle games have always had a good trade-in value," he reported. (Continued on page 112) luxe set at \$19.75.

Business as Usual For N. J. Game Ops

But Police Crack Down on Prizes in Resorts; Game Organization Grows

NEWARK, N. J .--- All's quiet games, whether there were prizes as location games are concerned. Garden State game operators were ations are now pretty much normal. recently hit with a Supreme Court if prizes were offered. Later the State Legislature voted to amend the constitution to make skill games legal. However, most legal experts agreed that the Legislature had no such power, and the bill was later vetoed by Gov. Robert Mayner.

While police have been cracking down on prize games in resort areas, they have not been molesting location games which do not give prizes. So far the only effect the new ruling has had on the game operator is to make him dispense with prizes used in tournament play, mostly shuffle games. police chiefs began grabbing up organization.

on the Jersey front, at least as far or not. But the initial hysteria seems to have died down and oper-An important by-product of the ruling that skill games were illegal legislative mix-up has been the emergence of an active game organization-the Amusement Association of New Jersey.

The group was organized last spring, but had been inactive until last month. It was recently incorporated and now has more than 70 members. Dick Steinberg, head of the Music Guild of New Jersey, an association which helped organize the game association, said that the game men will probably hold election of officers next month.

In the meantime, Walter Reynolds, Roselle Park operator, and Irving Morris, Newark distributor, For a while a few ambitious are acting as trustees of the game

Williams Bows Hot Diggity, New 5-Ball Unit

CHICAGO - Hot Diggity, a new single-player five-ball pin game featuring two skill track lanes at the top of the playfield. was shipped to distributors this week by Williams Manufacturing Company, Art Weinand, sales manager, announced.

The two skill lanes at the top of the playfield controls the play of the ball on the field and affords a player the opportunity of making a higher score.

Featured on the playfield is the center hole which is good for extra points after a player succeeds in lighting up the name of the game, Hot Diggity, spelled out on the backglass light-up score recorder.

Special points are rewarded for spelling out the words "waltz," "tango," or polka," also featured on the backglass. Added points are given for lighting up the top hole and scoring lighted numbers on side rollover maneuvers. The game has new chrome plated flipper button cabinet guards and also cigarette trays on the side rails.

Steinberg pointed out that the awarding of prizes on game locations had been on the wane and that the elimination of these prizes shouldn't have too great an effect on the take.

This week Atlantic City police shut down all Boardwalk games except Fascination, a roll-down. Latest word from Police Chief Jerry Sullivan is that the games are legal providing the operators refrain from giving prizes.



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Mandell to Exhibit At Theater Show

NEW YORK --- Moe Mandell, head of Northwestern Sales and Service here, announced that his firm will exhibit at the Motion Picture Industry's International Trade Show, to be held September 20-24 at the New York Coliseum. A list of other vending exhibitors appeared in the August 11 issue of The Billboard.

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1956 NAMA CONVENTION FEES, EXHIBIT HOURS CHICAGO --- Registration fees and exhibit hours for the

1956 National Automatic Merchandising Association convention and exhibit December 2-5 at the Conrad Hotel were announced. this week by association officials.

Registration fees per person will be as follows:

NAMA members who register at the convention ... \$ 5.00 Non Members:

| Exhibit only | 10.00 |
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| Convention meeting sessions only | 25.00 |
| Both exhibit and convention meeting sessions | 35.00 |
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Exhibit hours announced by William Seldy, Lily-Tulip Cup Corporation, New York, chairman of the Trade Show Advisory Committee will be as follows:

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| December 2 | :30-5:30 p.m. | 12:30-5:30 p.m. | 12:30-5 p.m. |
| December 3 | 1-6 p.m. | 12:30-6 p.m. | 12:30-7 p.m. |
| December 4 | 1-6 p.m. | 12:30-6 p.m. | 12:30-7 p.m. |
| December 5 | 2:30-4 p.m. | 12:30-4 p.m. | 12:30-4 p.m. |

Official hotel reservation forms and exhibit space information are available from the National Automatic Merchandising Association, 7 South Dearborn Street, Chicago 3.

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Walt Royer, Empire Music, and wife. Mary, Rhythm Record one stop, plan to attend the Wurlitzer convention in Buffalo. . . . Understand Hebe Rutter, of J. H. Rutter, Inc., Wurlitzer outlet, will be there too. . . . Homer Wampler, of Steve's Automatic at Riverton, Wyo., was in town, but strictly a pleasure trip.

Milwaukee

Northwestern Sweet 16 candy vender. He added that the New York Bulk Vendors' Association would resume its regular monthly

Foodco Appoints **Eastern Specialty**

MANCHESTER, N. II. -- Appointment of Eastern Specialty Products, Inc., Roxbury, Mass., as a distributor for its Cup-O-Matic bulk milk vender was announced by Food Engineering Corporation. The firm's territory includes New England, New York and Eastern Pennsylvania.

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By BENN OLLMAN

UP-STATE BIZ HEALTHY. Up-State business has been showing signs of returning health, according to Harry Groll, of the Paster Distributing Company. More resort area coinmen are stopping in for new and used equipment as fill-ins and reporting that tourist traffic has brightened. Premium goods are also moving better to up-State firms, he notes. List of operators stopping in at Paster's this week included: Al Janish, Beaver Dam; John Jesinski, Sheboygan; Andy Waterman, Wisconsin Dells; Johnny Barros, Merrill, and Val Andres, Oshkosh.

Bob Grans, Hilltop Coin Machine Company maintenance man, has been shifted to the routes, and is now handling the firm's cigarette venders. . . . Operator traffic continues to beat a steady path to the disk counters at Radio Doctors, according to buyer Stu Glassman. Shopping for new wax this week here where Ray Jenner, of Jenner Amusement, Waupaca; Elmer Schmitz, Hilbert: Math Schaefer, Schaefer Amusement, Milwaukee, and Mike Young, Soldier's Crove.

Frank Bartnik, the Banaco Music Company's aviation-minded owner, is planning a short hop to his hunting lodge in Canada in the near future. It most likely will take place when his front office gal, Alice Antczak, returns from her vacation. . . . Boh Blie, the new Decca Records sales boss, reports his orders from operators are hitting new peaks these days. . . . John Asby has been appointed as a new sales representative for the Canteen Corporation, according to Erich Rakow. Asby replaces Fred Wynn, who was recently transferred to the Washington, D. C., office.

Jack Hastings, back from his vacation, reports his desk loaded down with a lot of bookkeeping chores. Vacation is not likely for the balance of the summer for him, reports the head man, Sam Hastings. It could be the rush of business at the Hastings Distributing Company, or it could be the red hot pennant race in which the Milwaukce Braves are involved that keeps him in town near his box seat at the County Stadium.

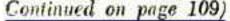
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By HAL REVES

NEW ROUTES BUD. Arthur D. Drews, who has operated a juke route for some time as the Drew's Music Company, has expanded into the cigarette vending field, establishing the new Drew's Cigarette Machine Company. . . . Francis Antaya, AA Phonograph Service, is now operating juke boxes in addition to servicing jukes and shuffleboards.

Ed Henderson, former partner in the A B C Music Company in suburban Highland Park, is now with the Sears, Roebuck organization. while his partner, Franklin Westgate, has taken over his coin interests. ... William Meldrum, young operator of Meldrum Music, is confining his activity to music. . . . Mrs. Roy Small, wife of the conciliator for the United Music Operators of Michigan, has returned home following medical treatment at Grand Rapids.

Fay Grossman, UMO office secretary, is back from a brief vacation at Kensington Park and Metropolitan Beach. . . . James Jeffrey, of Jeff's Music, planned to leave on a leisurely motor trip thru the Great Smoky Mountains. . . . Alvin and Pearly May are establishing a new route of ball point pen vending machines under the name of Wolverine Vending Company.



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Cup Milk Machine May Be **Manufactured in Germany**

& Company, Schwelm, Germany, the city health authorities. manufacturing firm, on a license agreement which would enable quires that equipment be tested Schwelmer to make the vending for 60 days before it is cleared. machine in Germany.

Donald W. Brous, Food Engineering president, said that Karel Schwartzkopf, FE sales manager, the arrangements.

Schwelmer is currently making cup drink machines for the European market under a Cole patent.

L. A. P.O. Bids

Continued from page 104

management and employee repre-

sentatives, Olesen stated. The vending contract will be awarded en-

eirely at the discretion of the com-

mittee, based upon its evaluation

of each proposal. The committee

will attempt, however, to contract

the entire operation to a single

operator to minimize bookkeeping

und auditing costs, the postmaster

NEW YORK-The Food Engi-| Meanwhile, Brous said that the neering Corporation, 'Manchester, firm's domestic sales program is N. H., manufacturer of a bulk milk beginning to shape up. Currently, vender, is currently negotiating two units are on location here as with Schwelmer Eisenwerk Muller part of a probation agreement with

> He explained that the city re-The test, on two industrial locations, has about 30 days to go.

The New York State law, however, does not have the probation may go to Germany to complete requirement. If the city approves the bulk milk unit, chances are that the State, too, would give its approval.

> Current production is on an order basis, but Brous said that a regular production schedule by the fall is a possibility. Distribution on the bulk milk machine is by direct sales and distributors, mostly dairy equipment supply outlets.





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NAMA Sets Business Program For '56 Confab; Stress P-R

December 2-5.

of Vending," will include addresses procedures of securing locations, audience is included. operating figures, problems operators must overcome, sanitation and be the topic of another panel fea- community affairs. equipment needs for the future.

greatest array of new machines and vendible products ever concentrated under one roof, according to William C. McConnell Jr., Automatic Merchandising Corporation, Medford, Mass., general chairman.

More than 125 companies already have reserved exhibit space, Herb A. Geiger, Geiger Automatic Sales Company, Milwaukee, disclosed. The exhibits will be presented in the lower-floor halls, Wilfloor.

tion provided by the Coca-Cola exhibitors. Company. The film will be availing to employees.

tions responsibilities of vending ma- the actual operating figures of sevchine operators and servicemen eral operators; an outline of plan- wrong with vending. will be stressed at the 1956 con- ning that must be accomplished vention and exhibit of the National thru the state of contractural ar-Automatic Merchandising Associa- rangement; physical preparations tion at the Conrad Hilton Hotel taking place up to the point of actual installation of machine, and An extensive business program general problems of operating the built around the theme, "Pageant installation. James F. Wanink, Automatic Merchandising Company, by nationally recognized authori- Detroit, will co-ordinate the proties and panel discussions on actual gram. A question session by the

turing industrial plant representa-The 1956 conclave will offer the tives, shop foremen and employee

CHICAGO --- The public rela-| A panel discussion will present representatives, who are in a position to tell what is right and what's

Operator Problems

A special address on "The Maturity of the Automatic Merchandising Industry" will be presented by a leader in the vending industry. Emphasized will be problems which operators must overcome to build more respect for their businesses. Pointed out will be commissions, appearance of trucks, uniforms for routemen, appearance "Your Customer Speaking," will of buildings and participation in

> Special attention will be paid to (Continued on page 105)

To Stress Pre-Mix At '56 Bottler Show

the 1956 International Soft Drink list, complete to date: Industry Exposition, to be held Noliford Room and room on the fifth vember 12-15 in Cleveland, will tion, Chicago, electrical coin mechplace increased emphasis on vend-Slide Film The vending industry's public the sponsoring organization, the tanks and fittings; the Cornelius head of Pioneer Vending, local highlighted in a slide-film presenta- Beverages, released a list of new dispensing valves and CO2 regula- that this summer's business is run-

able to vending operators for show- exhibitors is a manufacturer of pre-mix tanks. vending machine parts, mostly for Also Hedeman Products, Great Rubenstein gives a major share

NEW YORK--Any doubts that of the bottler group. Here is the

A.B.T. Manufacturing Corporaanisms; Alloy Products Corpora-

2-DAY BUSINESS COURSE SET FOR NAMA MEMBERS

CHICAGO -- An intensive short course in management as applied to the specific problems of automatic merchandising will be presented for members by the National Automatic Merchandising Association November 30 and December 1, the two days prior to the opening of the 1956 NAMA convention.

This will be the second presentation of the Automatic Merchandising Management Conference under the direction of Dr. William R. Spriegel, dean, School of Business Administration and professor of management at the University of Texas.

The sessions will open at noon November 30 in the Conrad Hilton Hotel, convention site, and close at 5 p.m. December 1.



relations responsibilities will be American Bottlers of Carbonated Company, Minneapolis, soft drink bulk vending distributor, reports tors, and Firestone Steel Products ning well ahead of 1955 in the Virtually every one of the new Company, Akron, O., sirup and ball gum and charm field in the New York area.

L. A. P. O. Opens **Op Bids for** 57 Locations

LOS ANGELES --- Bids for the installation and maintenance of vending machines at the Los Angeles Post Office Terminal Annex and 56 outlying postal stations will be received at the Postmaster's Office here until Friday (24), Otto K. Olesen, postmaster, revealed this week.

The proposed vending operation will serve approximately 8,000 employees. At the Terminal Annex, where nearly 4,500 are employed, 47 locations for coffee, candy, soft drinks, cigarettes and ice cream are recommended. For this one building the installations are to include 12 candy, 12 cigarette, 11 coffee and 11 soft drink venders, and one ice cream machine. Soft drink or coffee machines also will be placed in the postal department's outlying stations.

Bid information and specifications for the project are being handled by Laurence A. Anderson, Superintendent, Public Relations, in the local Federal Building.

Vending Committee

The successful bidder will be chosen by the Los Angeles Post Office Vending Machine Committee, an organization composed of -(Continued on page 105)



Stoner Preems Large Capacity **Candy Vender**

AURORA, Ill. --- Stoper Manufacturing Corporation announced last week it is introducing a nineselection, 208-bar capacity candy change maker.

"This will permit vending at tion floor. a nickel and a dime using either return of change," Burnhard Glassgold, sales manager, said.

First deliveries of the Model 208 are scheduled for later this month. The new model is also offered in a 330-item capacity machine using Stoner's gum and mint selector in place of the ninth column.

Model 208 has the same basic cabinet as the firm's Model 180. Readjustment of interior components provides the greater selectivity and capacity. The cabinet is 7134 inches high, 29 inches wide and 131/2 inches deep. A chrome shadow box frame surround the mirror front on three sides.

Du Grenier Names Carl C. Morris

NEW YORK---Carl C. Morris has been named Du Grenier factory representative for Virginia, North Carolina and all of Kentucky except Louisville, which is under the district managership of James H. Martin.

Morris, who will headquarter in Charlotte, N. C., was formerly with Philip Morris. He will handle the full Du Grenier line, including the Smokemaster, Candymart, Sandwichmart, Pastrymart and Multi- year. These venders have manual Pack Cigar vender.

it is a bottler show, and cup drink machines are primarily operator units.

However, the policy may be breaking down soon. Canned drink machines, an operator as well as a bottler item, have been shown on the floor, and now pre-mix machines are on the approved list.

Cup Machines

Most major cup drink manufacturers, in the past, have rented hotel suites in the convention city vender equipped with the firm's during the meet and have exhibited their equipment off the conven-

A list of new exhibitors this year coin or a quarter and permit the may be the tip-off on the thinking



NEW YORK -- The United Sound & Signal Company, Columbia, Pa., will soon begin production on a two-selection pre-mix drink machine, it was disclosed this week by Harry Raymond, in U. S. drink machines has been president of the International Beverage Supply, Inc., here. International is exclusive sales agent for greatest potential lies with hot United drink machines.

Raymond said that details of the new machine are not yet avail- ing the European vending industry, able, but that it will be in production before November, when the unit will be shown at the International Soft Drink Industry Exposition in Cleveland. He did say, tho, that the unit will be wholly scarcity. electric, both in push-button selection and delivery.

United has been making singleselection pre-mix machines for a selection, but electric delivery.

pre-mix units. Historically, the pol- Neck, N. Y., pre-mix dispensing of the credit to the look-see viewer, icy of the convention has been to and conversion equipment; Inter- which has been upheld recently in limit machine exhibitors to bottle national Beverage Supply, Inc., drink venders. The theory is that New York, pre-mix venders, accessories and paper cups; Merkle-Korff Gear Company, Chicago, deposits his coin, makes the mixed vending motors, and Tel-A-Sign, ball gum and charm machine legal

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Cortell Plans Six-Week Europe Vending Tour

president of the Ameropa Trading & Shipping Company, leaves late next month for a six-week survey of the European vending market.

Ameropa is export agent for several U. S. machine manufacturers and suppliers, including Cole, Dariomatic and Du Crenier. Major objective of Cortell's trip will be to aid in the development of the infant European drink machine market.

In addition to visits to all Western European countries, Cortell plans a trip to Yugoslavia. He said that tho there are currently no vending machines in that country, the government has indicated an interest in automatic merchandising thru a German concern.

Hot Drinks

Cortell said most of the progress made with carbonated beverage units. However, he added, the drink venders.

One of the biggest problems facsaid Cortell, is the development of at a premium price. a corps of operators. Most vending operators there come from the ranks of juke box and game men, but there is still an operator

As a result, competition is not as keen as it is in this country, and location commissions are much lower. But Cortell feels that with- sliding pack. in a very few years the European vending picture will be similar to

several court cases. This device, which enables the purchaser to see what will be dispensed before he (Continued on page 110)

NEW YORK--Arnold Cortell, the situation in this country today. He added that the manufacturing industry in Europe is due for spectacular development. The factory in Schwelm, Germany, making drink machines from Cole dies, is currently turning out 50 machines a month.

> Also, National Rejectors has begun production on coin changers, cup ejectors and contact switches Harden E. Goldstein, NATD assoin Hamburg, Cermany.

Lorillard Wins NATD Award

NEW YORK——The P. Lorillard Company has been presented a bronze plaque by the National Association of Tobacco Distributors for having the most popular booth at the 1956 NATD convention.

The presentation was made Tuesday (7) at NATD headquarters to Lewis Gruber, newly elected Lorillard president, by Ira Katz, NATD vice-president and president of the Metropolitan Tobacco Company. Present at the ceremonies were Joseph Kolodny, NATD managing director; Manuel Yellen, Lorillard advertising director; H. F. Temple, Lorillard director; Richard C. Pinney, NATD director-at-large; David Vipond, NATD committee chairman, and ciate director.

National Debut Set on Flip-Top Philip Morris

Philip Morris cigarette, packed in a tered cities, and, according to comflip-top pack, will be introduced pany officials, have increased sales nationally Monday (13). The box over the king-size brand it will reis the same type it uses in packing place by 20 per cent. Marlboros, Parliaments and Spuds. The firm will continue to make regular-size Philip Morris cigarettes in conventional packs to sell at popular prices. The new pack will sell point-of-purchase material will be

With the introduction of the fliptop PM's, most of the company's line will be sold in crush-proof packs. Marlboros and Spuds come flip-top Spud brand will be exin flip-top packs only. Parliament longs come in flip-top packs, with Parliament regulars renamed Benson & Hedges and packaged in the Michigan, Missouri, Nebraska,

Sales Up 20%

NEW YORK--A new long-size pack has been tested in five scat-

A heavy newspaper and spot television advertising campaign has been planned for the new pack. For vending machines, decals and distributed.

On the same day the new Philip Morris cigarettes make their national debut, distribution of the tended to Delaware. District of Columbia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Maryland, North Daokta, Ohio, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Virginia, West Vir-



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THE BILLBOARD INDEX

Advertised Used Coin Machine Prices

Explanation of Coin Machine Price Index

Prices given in the Index are in no way intended to be "standard," "national," "set," or offer an authoritative reflection of what prices should be on used equipment. Prices in the Index are designed, however, to be a handy guide for price ranges. Any price obviously depends on the condition of the equipment, age, time on location, the territory and other related factors.

Highs and Lows. Equipment and prices listed above are taken from advertisements in The Billboard for the period shown. Listings are the highest and lowest prices advertised on music machines which have been advertised 10 times or more for the four-week period, and on all other equipment which has been advertised five times or more. "Highs" and "lows" are most meaningful when used with mean average listing.

Mean Average. The mean average is a computation based on all prices at which a machine has been advertised at for the four-week period indicated and reflects the dominant advertised price. It is not a simple average between the "high" and the "low," High and low indicate price range; mean average indicates the price level at which most of the machines are advertised for. Therefore, when the mean average is nearer the "high," it indicates the "low" is a unique price probably for "as is" or "distressed" equipment.

Most Active List. The Most Active Equipment list shows which machines in major categories have been advertised the greatest number of times for the four-week period indicated. In the case of pinball games only most advertised games are listed of each manufacturer who has eight games or more listed below. Machines in all categories appear in order of frequency advertised. Numbers indicate position.

PINBALL GAMES

| | BALLY | High | Low | Mean Avg. | 2. Dragonette 2. Gold Star |
|---|--|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---|
| | Atlantic City (5/52) | \$ 75.00 | \$ 45.00 | \$ 60.00 | , |
| ŝ | Beach Beauty (1/55) | 475.00 | 335.00 | 375.00 | 1 |
| | Beach Club (2/53) | 100.00 | 55.00 | 65.00 | ARCADE E |
| | Beauty (11/52) | 100.00 | 50.00 | 70.00 | |
| | Big Time (1/55) Bright Lights (11/51) | 325.00 95.00 | 225.00 65.00 | 265.00 75.00 | Code: AP-Auto Photo; B-Bally; Ex-Exhibit; G-Genco; G |
| | Bright Spot (11/51) | 95.00 | 50.00 | 65.00 - | Mutoscope; R-Roovers; S |
| | Broadway (12/55) | 475.00 | 395.00 | 425.00 | Shipman; T-Telecoin; U |
| | Coney Island (9/52) | 65.00 | 49.50 | 65.00 | Watling. |
| | Dude Ranch (9/51) | 100.00 | 45.00 | 85.00 | 100000000000000000000000000000000000000 |
| | Frolic (10/52) | 85.00 | 65.00 | 85.00 | |
| | Gayety (3/55) | 175.00 | 115.00 | 125.00 | Basketball (C) 1 |
| | Gaytime (6/55) | | 195.00 | 230.00 | Bat-A-Score (Ev) (8/48), 1 |
| | Hi-Fi (6/54) | | 90.00 | 95.00 | |
| | Ice Frolics (1/54) | 115.00 | 45.00 | 65.00 | Big Inning (B) ('47) 1 |
| | Miami Beach (9/55) | 325.00 | 235.00 | 275.00 | Carnival Deluxe (U) 2 |
| | Nite Club (3/56) | 525.00 | 450.00 | 475.00 | Carnival Gun (U) (10/54) 2 |
| | Palm Beach (7/52) | 85.00 | 49.50 | 65.00 | Coon Hunt (S) (2/54) 1 |
| | Palm Springs (11/52) | 125.00 | 65.00 | 85.00 | Dale Gun (Ex) |
| | Surf Club (3/54) | 115.00 | 65.00 | 95.00 | Drivemobile (M) (7/54) 1 |
| | Variety (9/54) | 185.00 | 115.00 | 139.00 | Goalee (CC) (1/46) |
| | Yacht Club (6/53) | | 45.00 | 50.00 | Midget Movies (CC) 1 |
| | GOTTLIEB | | | | Moon Rides (B) (5/54) 2 Pistol (CC) (1/49) |
| | Dragonette (6/54) | 140.00 | 125.00 | \$129.00 | Pitch'm & Bat'm (S) 1 |
| | Duette (4/55) | 235.00 | 219.00 | 235.00 | Rifle Gallery (G) (6/54). 2 |
| | Gold Star (3/54) | | 125.00 | 150.00 | Shoot the Bear (S) 1 |
| | UNITED | | | | Shooting Gallery (Ex) (6/54) 1 |
| | Cabana (3/53) | 10.1011/0718/001 | 45.00 | \$ 45.00 | Sidewalk Engineer (W) |
| | Hawaii (6/54) | | 59.50 | 69.50 | (5/55) |
| | Manhattan (4/55) | | 150.00 | 175.00 | Silver Bullets (Ex) (11/49) 1 Shu Eightee (M) (0/52) |
| | Nevada (8/54) | | 50.00 | 65.00 | Sky Fighter (M) (9/53) |
| | Pixie (9/53) | 375.00 | 239.50 | 325.00 | Sportland (Ex) (11/51) 1 |
| | Singapore (10/54), | | 65.00 | 75.00 | Telequiz (1/49) (T) |
| | Starlet (11/55) | | 275.00 | 295.00 | Undersea Raider (2/46) |
| 8 | Tahiti (8/53) | | 45.00 | 90.00 | Wild West (G) (2/55) 3 |
| | Triple Play (8/55) | | 190.00 | 210.00 | Zingo (1/51) (U) |
| | Tropics (7/55) | 75.00 | 45.00 | 60.00 | 1 |
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MOST ACTIVE EQUIPMENT

(For four-week period ending with issue dated August 11, 1956)

SHUFFLE GAMES

1. UNITED-Royal

2. KEENEY-Bikini

2. BALLY-Magic

3. KEENEY-Pacemaker

VENDING MACHINES

1. Columbus 1c Bulk

2. Northwestern 49, Ic

1, National 930

2. National 950

2. Acorn 5c or 1c

1. KEENEY-Bonus Bowler

ARCADE EQUIPMENT

- 1. SEEBURG-Coon Hunt
- 1. EXHIBIT-Sportland
- 2. GENCO-Rifle Gallery 3. BALLY-Big Inning
- З. EXHIBIT-Dale Gun
- 3. SEEBURG-Shoot the
- Bear

MUSIC MACHINES

- 1. ROCK-OLA-1436A WURLITZER—1500 2. SEEBURG-M-100-C WURLITZER—1800 4. AM1-Model E-120 SEEBURG-M-100-B 4. WURLITZER-1250
 - 2. PX 10 Col.

PINBALL MACHINES

(Manufacturers with ten or more games listed below)

UNITED

1. Pixie

3. Tahiti

WILLIAMS

1. Army & Navy 2. Dealer 21

2. Grand Champion

2. Triple Play

3. Manhattari

BALLY

- 1. Miami Beach 1. Variety
- 2. Gayety

COTTLIEB

- 1. Duette

EQUIPMENT

y; CC-Chicago Coin; Ev-Evans; Gb-Gottlieb; K-Keeney; M-Int'l S-Seeburg: Sc-Scientific: Sh-

| MUSIC | MACHI | NES | - 96 K - 12 |
|---|--------|------------------|------------------|
| AMI | High | Low | Menn Avg. |
| Model E-120 (53) 120 sel. 45 RPM | 465.00 | 395.00 | \$465.0 0 |
| ROCK-OLA | | | 熱。 |
| 1436 A- (53) 120 sel., 45 RMP | 275.00 | 145.00 | \$225.00 |
| SEEBURG | 5 | | Ľ |
| M-100-B (51) 100 sel., 45 RPM | 475.00 | 375.00 | \$415.00 |
| M-100-C (53) 100 sel., 45 RPM | 595.00 | 485.00 | 535.00 |
| WURLITZER | | | |
| 1250 (50) 48 sel., 78 RPM | 175.00 | 129.50 | \$165.00 |
| 1500 (53) 104 sel., 45-78 RPM Mix 1800 (2/55) (W) | | 199.50 650.00 | 249.50 675.00 |

SHUFFLE GAMES

| | 020 82335383 | 807758 | |
|----------------------------|---|----------------|--|
| Advance Bowler (CC) | 175.00 | | **** |
| (5/53) | 135.00 | 95.00 | \$100.00 |
| Arrow (CC) | 315.00 | 250.00 | 285.00 |
| Bikini (K) (6/54) | 150.00 | 125.00 | 150.00 |
| Bonus Bowler (K) (3/54). | 125.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 |
| | 123.00 | 15.00 | 15.00 |
| Bonus Score Bowler | 745 00 | 775 00 | 205 00 |
| (CC) (4/55) | 345.00 | 275.00 | 295.00 |
| Capitol (U) (6/55) | 295.00 | 235.00 | 245.00 |
| Cascade (U) (2/53) | 75.00 | 50.00 | 59.00 |
| Chief (U) (11/53) | 145.00 | 95.00 | 95.00 |
| Clipper (U) (5/55) | 275.00 | 215.00 | 225.00 |
| | | | |
| Clover Shuffle (U) (1/53) | 75.00 | 65.00 | 70.00 |
| Criss-Cross (CC) (11/53) | 125.00 | 100.00 | 110.00 |
| Criss-Cross Targette | | | |
| Regular (CC) (1/55) | 150.00 | 125.00 | 150.00 |
| Double Score (CC) (3/53) | | \$ 50.00 | \$ 75.00 |
| | 185.00 | 125.00 | 150.00 |
| Feature (CC) (7/54) | | | |
| Fireball (CC) (11/54) | 225.00 | 195.00 | 225.00 |
| Flash (CC) (9/54) | 195.00 | 145.00 | 195.00 |
| Gold Medal (B) (3/55) | 300.00 | 300.00 | 300.00 |
| Hollywood (CC) (5/55) | 295.00 | 275.00 | 275.00 |
| Imperial (U) (9/53) | 175.00 | 75.00 | 175.00 |
| Imperial (0/ (9/)5/ | | 175.00 | 175.00 |
| Jet Bowler (B) (8/54) | 200.00 | | A CONTRACT OF A DESCRIPTION OF A DESCRIP |
| King (CC) | 120.00 | 95.00 | 120.00 |
| Leader Shuffle Alley (U) | MM 103 Let 1 12 12 1 | 5-52-54 (1997) | |
| (11/53) | 175.00 | 100.00 | 125.00 |
| League Bowler (U) (1/54) | 145.00 | 100.00 | 120.00 |
| Magic (B) (12/54) | 275.00 | 225.00 | 275.00 |
| | 225.00 | 215.00 | 215.00 |
| Mars Deluxe (U) | | | 2.51 (10.00) (0.00) |
| Olympic (U) (8/54) | 75.00 | 50.00 | 70.00 |
| Pacemaker (K) (9/53) | 95.00 | 50.00 | 50.00 |
| Playtime Bowler (CC) | | | |
| (10/54) | 225.00 | 195.00 | 225.00 |
| Rainbow Shuffle Alley (U) | 100000000000000000000000000000000000000 | 86.000 | 집대한의관력 |
| | 175 00 | 99.50 | 100.00 |
| (8/54) | 175.00 | | |
| Royal (U) (8/54) | 95.00 | 80.00 | 95.00 |
| Shuffle Alley Deluxe | | | |
| 6 Player (U) (10/51) | 50.00 | 45.00 | 50.00 |
| Shuffle Alley 10 Player | | | |
| | 60.00 | 50.00 | 55.00 |
| (K) | | | |
| (K) Speedy (U) (8/54) | 175.00 | 165.00 | 165.00 |
| Super Frame (CC) | 22 | 2011030 | 1993-1994 0 |
| (5/54) | 165.00 | 95.00 | 125.00 |
| (5/54) Targette (U) | 175.00 | 165.00 | 165.00 |
| Team Bowler (U) (1/54) | 165.00 | 100.00 | 120.00 |
| Telela Stella Peudea (CC) | 275.00 | 225.00 | 275.00 |
| Triple Strike Bowler (CC). | 215.00 | 223.00 | 210.00 |

| Mutoscope; R-Roovers; | CONTRACTOR OF A DESCRIPTION OF A | | |
|----------------------------------|--|----------|--------------|
| Shipman; T-Telecoin; Watling. | U-United; | W-Willia | ms; Wa— |
| | filgb | Low | Mean Avg. |
| Basketball (C) | 195.00 | 169.00 | \$195.00 |
| Bat-A-Score (Ev) (8/48). | 145.00 | 100.00 | 145.00 |
| Big Inning (B) ('47) | 115.00 | 85.00 | 100.00 |
| Camival Deluxe (U) | 245.00 | 200.00 | 225.00 |
| Carnival Gun (U) (10/54) | 245.00 | 200.00 | 225.00 |
| Coon Hunt (S) (2/54) | 175.00 | 95.00 | 150.00 |
| Dale Gun (Ex) | 89.50 | 50.00 | 65.00 |
| Drivemobile (M) (7/54) | 165.00 | 150.00 | 165.00 |
| Goalee (CC) (1/46) | 95.00 | 95.00 | 95.00 |
| Midget Movies (CC) | 135.00 | 125.00 | 135.00 |
| Moon Rides (B) (5/54) | 275.00 | 250.00 | 250.00 |
| Pistol (CC) (1/49) | 75.00 | 50.00 | 50.00 |
| Pitch'm & Bat'm (S) | 175.00 | 125.00 | 175.00 |
| Rifle Gallery (G) (6/54). | 200.00 | 145.00 | 175.00 |
| Shoot the Bear (S) | 145.00 | 89.50 | 145.00 |
| Shooting Gallery (Ex) (6/54) | 160.00 | 125.00 | 150.00 |
| Sidewalk Engineer (W) (5/55) | 195.00 | 175.00 | 195.00 |
| Silver Bullets (Ex) (11/49) | 125.00 | 69.50 | 125.00 |
| Sky Fighter (M) (9/53) | 135.00 | 110.00 | 125.00 |
| Sportland (Ex) (11/51) | 195.00 | 125.00 | \$185.00 |
| Telequiz (1/49) (T) | 99.50 | 85.00 | 95.00 |
| Undersea Raider (2/46) | 125.00 | 125.00 | 125.00 |
| Wild West (G) (2/55) | 335.00 | 300.00 | 315.00 |
| Zingo (1/51) (U) | 65.00 | 65.00 | 65.00 |

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| National M-750 125.00 | 110.00 | 110.00 |
| National 930 110.00 | 85.00 | 95.00 |
| National 950 115.00 | 90.00 | 110.00 |
| Northwestern 49, 1c 12.50 | 12.00 | 12.50 |
| Northwestern Deluxe | | |
| 1c & 5c 12.00 | 9.95 | 9.95 |
| P X (8 col.) 115.00 | 100.00 | 115.00 |
| P X (10 col.) 125.00 | 115.00 | 125.00 |
| F A 110 COLT 123.00 | 1.2.00 | |

Variety of Games Key to Maximum \$\$

ST. LOUIS - Providing loca- head the company, disclosed. tions with a variety of games the year round, 24-hour repair service is established thru personal contact plus personal contacts is the foun- by impressing him we are as indation upon which J. S. Morris & terested in financial results as he Sons have built one of the largest is," the brothers said. successful game operations in Eastern Missouri.

games from location to location has r inute "graph check" of a game's kept the firm's over-all grosses on a gross for several months to detersteady annual level, Sidney and mine its potential, which is pre-

"The location owner's confidence

Present Potential

To win this co-operation, the Regular periodical switching of brothers explain, they maintain a

This is discussed with the location owner and a "maximum duty period" is established for each closed on Saturdays. game. At the end of the set time

the game is moved and another type is installed regardless of the amount of play grossed.

"Frequently it is a temptation to let a game remain longer than planned," Sidney reported, "particularly when it is showing surprisingly good returns.

"However, we have learned that this situation can evaporate overnight, and as a result when the switch date arrives, the game is removed and another brought in. This keeps the play interest at a steady level."

To furthe: assure locations of

"nickel and dime" man available to supply change when banks are

In order to facilitate the numerous moves of games from locationto location, the Morrises designed a special custom-built panel delivery truck.

Large enough to transport six average size pin games, it is protected against the elements and other damages. The pick-up tie bar in the center can be removed to provide an extra 9-inch extension if necessary to handle larger games.

with locks in front and rear so that and the music line is a natural the truck can be left overnight in step, he said. "Cigarettes, music front of a location where games and games all go together like their interest in keeping game play can be moved in early in the day coffee, sugar and cream," he as-

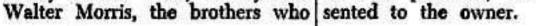
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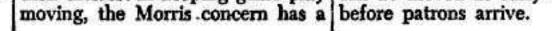
J. Tierce Joins Juke Ranks in Mississippi

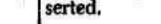
GREENWOOD, Miss. --- J. G. Tierce, cigarette operator here, announced last week that he has entered the music operating business.

Tierce will have as his associates, Norris Wolfe and W. J. Bishop. Wolfe and Bishop have 25 years' combined service in the music and game business.

Tierce, owner, of Greenwood Amusement Company, operates over 150 cigarette machines. His The insulated body is equipped business has grown and prospered













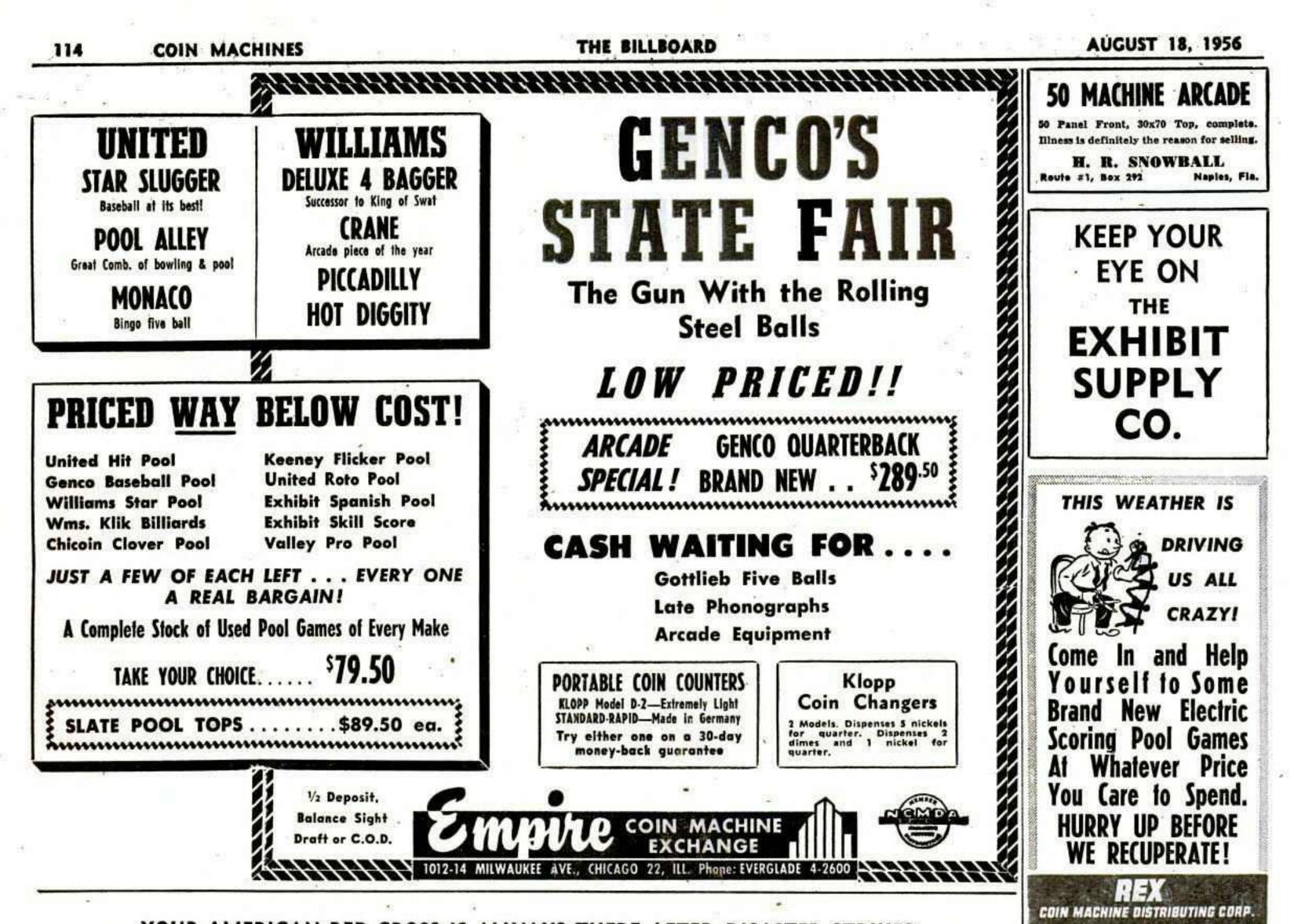






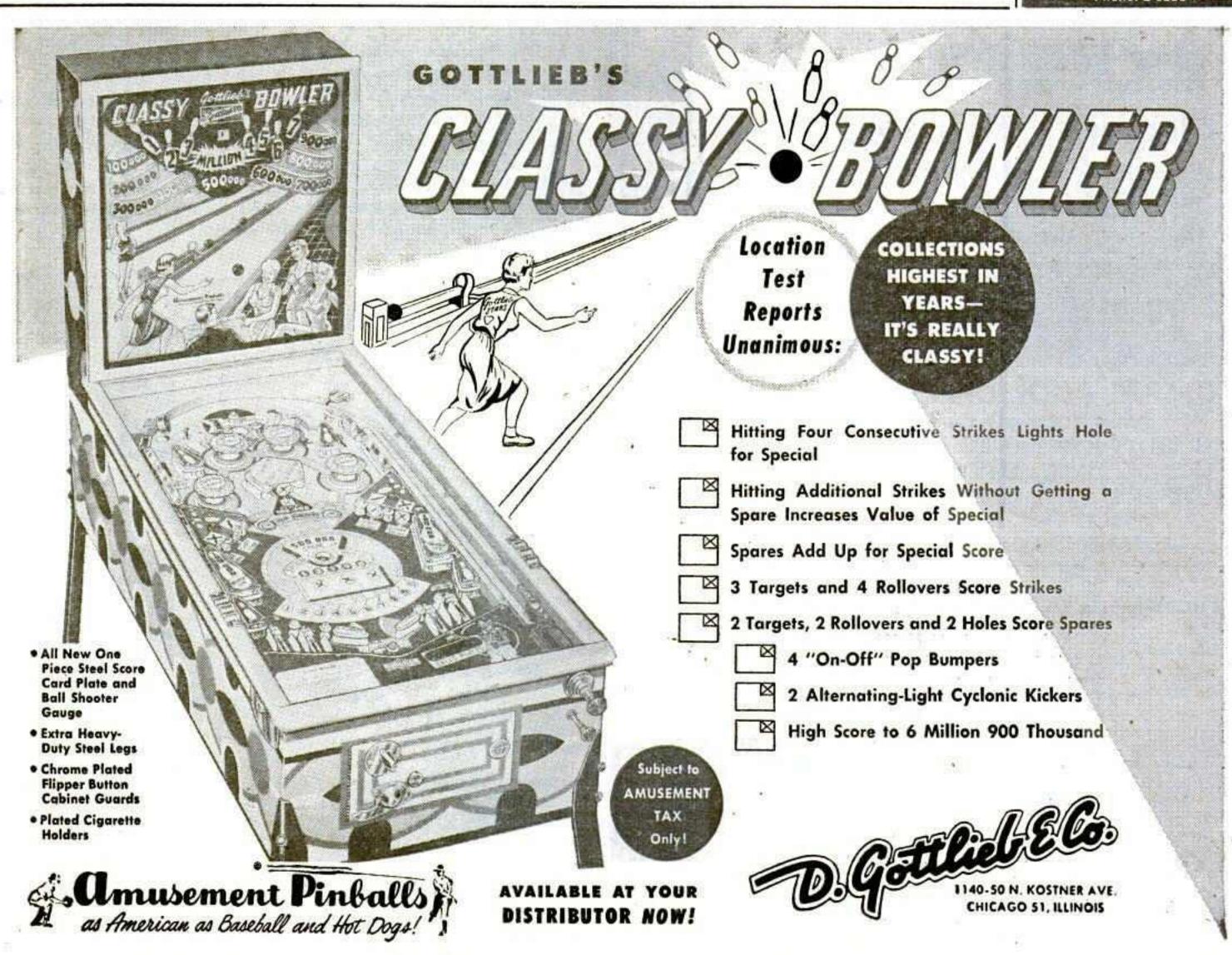
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State.

Expansion, too, is playing a part phis Amusement Company, West Memphis, is expanding his route re dy to convert to dime play. into Parkin and Earle. Other Artheir routes.

play and diversification seem to be ack Music Company, Jonesboro, the favorites among Arkansas music said his business is off 30 per cent operators, as they continue to seek this summer and he is preparing to tions in an effort to revive it.

A survey by The Billboard last Nathan Wheeless and Bobby week showed that both dime play Joe Adams, new owners of Service conversions and operator diversifi- Amusement Company, also of cation into other business were Jonesboro, report they too are exgaining ground rapidly thruout the panding their route and getting ready to go to dime play.

C. E. Tolliver, owner of Lepanin the drive to beat the slump. to Novelty Company at Lepanto, T. P. Aaron, owner of West Mem- recently purchased 10-cent conversion kits and is now getting George Heard, owner of Heard kansas operators are also enlarging Music Company at Newport, is currently in the process of changTHE BILLBOARD

And an in the set

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ing his route to dime play. Eddie play some months ago. It's going | Shetland pony business as a side Boyce, owner of Boyce Amusement great." Company at Bald Knob, has already converted his route and re- Huddleston Music Company, ates kiddie rides, which have ports his summer business is up 35 Marked Tree, is opening a frozen proved extremely popular. per cent this year over last year.

answer to beating juke box summer slump collections. Cecil Hill, him. owner of Hill Amusement Compa-

custard stand in conjunction with

Walter Day, owner of Day lieves in diversification. It helps ny here, agreed. He said: "Opera- Amusement Company at Blythe- offset fallen summer income, he

line, and that it has turned out to R. R. Huddleston, owner of be very profitable. He also oper-

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J. D. Ashley, owner of Globe Boyce said dime play was the his music route. He said he hopes Coin Machine Company, Little it will beat the summer slump for Rock, is building two new service stations for lease." He said he be-



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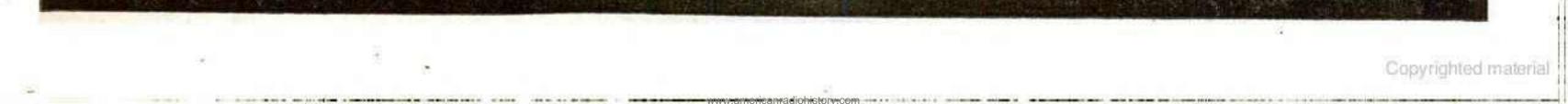
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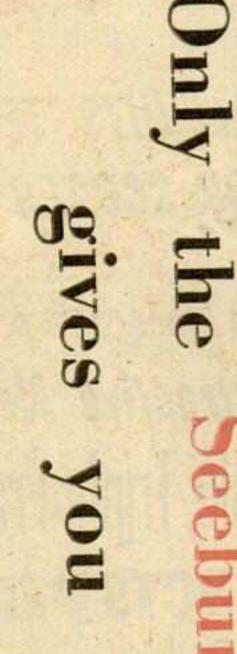
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