

Powerful Salesman Of Juke Box Music

200-Selector Machines Bring to Focus Prime Operator Need: To Sell Music

By BOB DIETMEIEP.

CHICACO --- The 200-selection juke box is proving itself to be a per cent 40's or 50's. powe:ful instrument for merchandising selective recorded music.

In the same breath, however, it must be added that it places burdens on the juke box operator which requires him to exact the cent of the records programmed most careful management in mak- falling into that category compared ing it work for him.

focus the compelling need of to- 120 selections. day's juke box operating management: To sell music and the operator's place in it.

New Dimension

It introduces a new dimension to ably. the juke box business by greatly broadening the scope of selective music to include music beyond the pop variety and for different prices. But like any hard-headed businessman, the juke box operator is concerned with income in relation to investment. All the evidence now available points to the fact that properly merchandised, properly programmed and properly located age each week for the 200 than for the 200-selection machine can be machines with just roughly half a boon to the operator. These facts are based in part on a poll of music operators who program for half the machine-old operate full-line equipment and favorites, show 'unes, EP's-the rean above-average number of ma- mainder is programmed just as bechines. Here are the salient facts fore. The former group is left on contained in that poll:

9.6 per cent are 200's, .71.9 per cent 80 to 120-selections, just 18.5

That more album music is programmed (3.1 per cent) than extended plays (2.1 per cent).

That the old favorite category of inusic assumes great importance in the 200-play machine, with 42 per to just 18 per cent in this classifi-It, therefore, brings into sharp cation in machines offering 80 to

> That music operators want machines available to them which offer 50 to 200-selections in order to be able to operate most profit-

(Editor's Note: Detailed analysis of these facts will be contained in a series of articles in the Music Operator Forum beginning in next week's issue.)

SHEPERD, WOR MAY AGAIN BE SWEETHEARTS

NEW YORK-Unpredictable Jean Shepherd, who was axed for the second time in two weeks as all-night disk jockey at WOR here last week, may yet air again on the station if a reported new deal goes thru as scheduled. Shepherd was canned again Friday (17) after being cut off the air for urging listeners to buy Sweetheart Soap, which did not advertise on WOR, just to prove that he can in-duce his "night people" following to buy soap.

The pending deal, it is understood, calls for a new Sunday 9 p.m.-1 a.m. time, with Shepherd to be sponsored largely by the product he had plugged gratuitously -Sweetheart Soap.

Shepherd had been given notice by the station the week before the soap episode on the grounds that he was not sufficiently commercial. But he was retained after several hundred of his ardent flock rallied at the burnedout Wanamaker's department store. Friday night (24) Shepherd drew several hundred fans to a Times Square drug store, where he autographed copies of "I, Libertine," the novel that grew out of a gag in which his followers had harried book dealers all over town asking for the tome which at the time was strictly imaginary. The autograph seekers turned out in response to spots bought on the Long John Nebel show, which replaced Shepherd.

Is Politico Conclave Marriage to Video **Headed for Rocks?** Choice: Put on Show, Give Confabs Back to Delegates for Nat'l Good

By SAM CHASE AND BOB BERNSTEIN

NEW YORK-It doesn't take a crystal ball to see that public apathy to the telecasting of the 1956 political conventions must bring about vast changes four years hence. Should this not occur, it is an almost odds-on bet that TV coverage will be drastically curtailed. If changes come, the alternatives seem to be:

ing to the pre-TV technique of their proceedings to the cameras, getting the political business done under the tutelage of top-ranking regardless of the presence of a TV and show business advisors, viewing audience, with the vote- and with the addresses being diseeking to come later. This would rected at the viewing public rather also almost surely mean a cutback than the delegates, why did the ir the amount of convention cov- show fail to come off? Perhaps it erage by the networks.

what has been said here will not long be remembered."

The network chieftains, fully aware of the ennui which gripped the nation's viewers during most of the proceedings, are even now considering how they can graciously cut back TV coverage in the future without facing charges of failing to live up to their public service responsibilities.

What went wrong these past two weeks? With both political a) Reversion of convention stag- parties consciously striving to tailor was this latter factor, more than any other, that undermined public interest.

200's on Dime

That 92.9 per cent of 200-selection equipment operates on dimea-tune play. This contrasts with just 54 per cent of machines with 80, 100, 104 or 120 selections.

That only about one new record release more (on the average each week) is played on the 200-selection machine as compared with machines in the 80 to 120-selection range, slightly more than two more than on the 40 or 50-selection models.

Favorites Boom

That in an operator group averaging nearly 73 juke boxes per operation, which i. above-average

Standards Get Increased Play

NEW YORK--The great stand ard songs are getting increasing play these days on virtually all important levels of exploitationradio, records and juke boxes. The expansion of the package record business and the growing use of LP programming by jockeys has, of course, accounted for a tremendous increase in performances of standards over the air.

Coupled with this we now have the broader acceptance of the 200selection juke box, which poses a programming challenge for operators and definitely forecasts an even greater reliance on the large pool of recorded standards.

Disk Buying

The significant fact is that so far there hasn't been many more new records purchased on the averthat number of selections.

Atter initial buying of records to the machine, changed very infrequently.

For the operator who so far lias regarded the 200 as a bigger juke box, with roughly twice as many

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Cive Shows

b) A further development of the direction taken by the 1956 conclaves, which were neither all politics nor all show business, but leaned more toward the latter than did previous assemblages. In this case, they will be written, mounted and staged with more care than a Rodgers and Hammerstein musical.

There seems little doubt, in the

Veepee Scramble

Apart from the final, hectic, unstaged scramble for the Democratic vice-presidential post and the early stages of Harry Truman's fight to control that party's presidential nomination, the proceedings quite obviously were as unreal as what Alice found in Wonderland.

It was dull because TV was not backwash of the last two weeks covering a live, unrehearsed slice of politicking, that Vice-President of history in the making, but rather Richard Nixon was never more cor- was making its facilities available rect than when he stated, in his for quite obviously staged, timed acceptance speech, that "most of and calculated political stumping, complete with phony demonstrations and mock enthusiasm with no more relation to actual emotion than if they were being re-enacted on "You Are There."

The GOP meet seemed even worse than that of the Democrats in this regard, because there was not present even an element of competition for the nominations, and so the proceedings from start to finish seemed to follow a hard (Continued on page 15)

Confabs Lose **Rating Power**

NEW YORK --- The politicians are slipping. So it would seem at least from a look at the late Trendex reports on the political conventions' ratings. Not only did the conventions fall below the weekly average struck by other types of programming, but both of them dropped in ratings from the 1952 coverage.

The usual Monday thru Friday Trendex average for evening viewing is 34.6. The Republican Convention coverage this year came close to the mark with 34.4, while the Democrats pulled only 29.9.

During the 1952 conventions, the Trendex ratings for each politi-(Continued on page 8)

NEWS OF THE WEEK

Rodgers & Hammerstein Show May Finally Get to TV . . .

CBS-TV is about to secure the rights either to "Me and Juliet" or "The King and I" for

Minnesota Mining Buys Division Of Bing Crosby Enterprises . . .

A race between two industrial giants for the development of color video tape recording machines is seen in the purchase by Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Corp. of the electronics division of Bing Crosby Enter-

Disk Dealers Confirm Demise Of Traditional Summer Slump . . .

The "end of the annual summer slump" in the record field has been confirmed by a large sampling of representative dealers across the country. Record business-on the retail levelin the summer of 1956 is at least 25 per cent ahead of summer 1955, with the big increase in packaged goods. Page 16

Flock of Multi-Version Disks

Spurred By Strong Song Material . . .

Strong song material accounts for a great quantity of multi-version recordings. Newest entrant in the music sweepstakes, "The Friendly Persuasion," from the film of the same title, already lands nine disks, with more to come. "When the White Lilacs Bloom

Again," "Giant," and many other tunes get

Strates Carnival Purchases 10 Pullmans; Now 50 cars . . .

A leading Eastern railroad carnival, the James E. Strates Shows, has added to its size and importance by adding 10 air-conditioned Pullman cars for its personnel. Owner Strates, who now has 68 cars, will finish his tour as a 50-car show, Page 64

Two Eastern Truck Carnivals Sign With St. Louis . . .

Contracts have been signed by the Coleman Bros. Shows and O. C. Buck Shows with the Carnival and Allied Workers Union (AFL), Local 447, St. Louis. The agreement covers. workingmen only and brings to six the number of carnivals signed by two union groups in recent seasons. Page 64

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GIANTS SQUARE OFF Minn. Mining Buys Crosby Machine for Big Tape Entry

NEW YORK-A battle of the of recording tape from Minnesota & Howell and Reeves are also said benefit to accrue to TV in the with its work in tape development. form of more rapid development of the machine both for color and black and white program recording.

Minnesota Mining & Manufacturing, the multi-million dollar corporation whose catalog of products includes scotch and recording tape, last week bought the electronic engineering division of Bing Crosby Enterprises for an estimated \$1,000,000, the down payment being \$75,000. With the weight of the new owner's capital behind it, the perfection of the Crosby tape machine, for color as well as black and white recording, is said to be about a year away. The Crosby tape machine is the most important single item of its electronic engineering division.

The Minnesota Mining buy of the Crosby tape machine will undoubtedly accelerate the perfection of the RCA tape machine which has been demonstrated to the press, tho it still has some problems to solve, mainly the size of the spool. RCA was a purchaser

giants is shaping up in the video Mining, tho it has also been said to be working on the perfection of tape machine field, the ultimate that it has helped Eastman-Kodak a color machine.

Ampex Work

which has already sold its tape have made offers. Crosby will remachine to more than 100 stations | tain a small interest in the maand several networks is first in the chine. Two members of the Crosby field with a machine ready for TV research staff, John Mullen and use, tho it is only in black and Wayne Johnson will be retained. white program recording. Ampex, According to Basil Grillo, veepee of course, is also working on the of Crosby Enterprises, the other development of its machine for the divisions of the company will con-

Sale of the Crosby division culminates six months of negotiations. At this stage, however, Ampex Three other groups were said to

recording of color shows. And Bell tinue to function as previously.

TO TV AT LAST? **R&H Stage Musical Talked for Spring**

NEW YORK ---- Tho neither richest, most important properties party had confirmed at press time, sought for transference to the TV CBS-TV and Rodgers & Hammerstein are said to have concluded have occasionally been staged, negotiations to bring the first R&H mostly on the Ed Sullivan show, musical to television next spring.

The most famous writing team in the industry has heretofore expressed antipathy to the medium, and a sincere belief that the public will be pleased induced them to make the move.

screen. Scenes from the shows and R&H did do one spectacular for General Foods in 1954 along the same lines.

but a reportedly record sale price have turned down 100 or more offers to telecast any one of their musical plays in its entirety. ers themselves will appear on an 11 p.m. news-and-interviews, camera before or after the perform- quarter-hour strip for the reporter, ance for some brief commentary.

Sweets Buys 'Rangers' Half

NEW YORK --- The Sweets Corporation, maker of Tootsie Roll, last week bought alternate weeks of "Tales of the Texas Rangers." It will co-sponsor the show with General Mills in the Saturday morning 11:30-12 slot on CBS-TV.

Tootsie Roll, which last season had several NBC-TV Saturday morning shows, will replace Curtiss Candy as alternate sponsor of the CBS-TV Western stanza.

Chesterfield in **P&G** Net Swap

NEW YORK --- The trend toward alternate sponsorship continues as Chesterfield has begun negotiations with Procter & Gamble for a network swap. Half of its "Dragnet" series (NBC-TV, Thursdays, 8:30-9 p.m.) would go to P&G, with half of the latter's "This Is Your Life" (Wednesdays, 10-10:30 p.m.) switching to Chesterfield.

Remington Rand, Inc., is also talking with Chesterfield about taking over alternate week sponsorship of "Gunsmoke" on CBS-TV.

ABC-TV Weighs Show Since that time, however, they For Martin Agronsky

September 1, 1956



NEW YORK-NBC last week indicated its continuing faith in the future of its radio network by the appointment of Matthew J. Culligan as veepee in charge of radio. He replaces Charles Ayres, who resigned recently.

Culligan has been vice-president and national sales director of NBC-TV. In his four years at NBC, the network topper has compiled an impressive record of achievement.

His first major assignment was sales direction of "Today," "Home" and "Tonight," which is expected to gross about \$18,000,000 this year. He has also pioneered in the use of closed-circuit TV to sell TV to advertisers. Culligan is also known for his development of sales talent at the network. He is 38.

CNP Finishes Exec Line-Up

NEW YORK --- California National Productions, Inc., has completed its executive staff with the appointment of five new directors.

William L. Lawrence will head the Eastern unit of the Program Development department, Robert A. Anderson will direct business affairs, Norman S. Ginsburg will be manager of advertising and promotion, Frederick Jacobi will serve

Hazel Bishop **Buys 'Clock'**

has bought "Beat the Clock" on If the latter work is chosen, no the CBS-TV network Saturday official announcement will be reevening, 7-7:30. The quiz show leased this year, to avoid any conwas under option last month to flict with the 20th Century-Fox Pharmacraft, which changed its movie version currently playing in mind about sponsorship when first-run houses. a sufficient number of markets

But Hazel Bishop is willing to live and in others on a delayed stein remain among the theater's basis. The sponsor is dropping an alternate week guarter-hour of the Bob Crosby show on the same web. Raymond Spector is the agency.

Toni to Drop 'Scouts' Time

NEW YORK-The Toni Company has decided to drop its alternate week sponsorship of "Arthur Godfrey's Talent Scouts" Mondays, 8:30-9 p.m., on CBS-TV. Lipton's Tea remains as an alternate week sponsor.

The probable reason for the cancellation is Toni's purchase of alternate week sponsorship of "Stantime slot.

"Me and Juliet" and "The King and I" are the chief contenders for the special color telecast, which NEW YORK --- Hazel Bishop will be done live from New York.

With many Cole Porter, and hadn't been cleared on a live basis. Rodgers and Hart musicals already telecast, the seven Broadway cretake the property in some markets ations of Rodgers and Hammer-



· NEW YORK-With two divisions of the same company bidding "Wire Service" unknown to for each other, ABC-TV has reportedly sold alternate week sponsorship in the dramatic series to Chevrolet.

Pontiac and Chevrolet, both divisions of General Motors Corporation, have been seeking the Thursday night hour-long show. Pontiac, however, wanted shortterm sponsorship, so the decision ley" on NBC-TV in the same went to Chevrolet. R. J. Reynolds will sponsor the alternate weeks.

may have won himself a show of X. O'Shea will be merchandising Chances are good that Oscar his own by his critically-acclaimed director. Hammerstein II and Richard Rodg- convention job. ABC-TV is mulling to start this fall.

NBC Increases Fall Telementary Fare

NEW YORK --- NBC-TV will one about the Oceans. NBC's offer more telementaries in prime "Project 20," of course, will also time periods next season. "Tele- present four or five programs in its scope," the web's newest program series in prime time periods. Noof documentaries which was slated | relco sponsors "Project 20." to be programmed on Sunday afternoons this fall, will now be of- will be offering a telementary fered in a number of pre-empted about every month during the hours during the evening.

The cause of the "Telescope" switch is the slotting of the Ray switch is the slotting of the Ray Bolger show on Sunday afternoons to alternate with "Wide Wide CBS Packages World," probably Sunday 5-6. The network has Bolger half-sold to Helene Curtis.

One of the "Telescope" series, that on the launching of the earth satellite, has already been sold to International Business Machines. Deals are also pending with North American Aviation for the majority rice Chevalier's Paris, "Doctor," "Assignment Southeast Asia," "H-Hour," "Crust of the Earth" and

This will mean that the NBC 1956-'57 season.

Shulton Shows

NEW YORK--CBS-TV is putting together a package of programs for Shulton to sponsor this fall. Shulton will bankroll three of the others. They include Mau- half hours of the new hour version of "See It Now" on Sunday afternoons.

The sponsor is also picking up two individual half hours of the Burns and Allen show, which the regular co-sponsors, B. F. Goodrich and Carnation, will relinquish. Other programs not known are included in the package. Shulton's sponsorship of Murrow's "See It Now" last season was very successful.

s has purchased half of "Big ry," NBC-TV, 9-9:30 p.m., Fri-WRCA Ups Sam Dana

Story," NBC-TV, 9-9:30 p.m., Fri-day, which it will share with American Tobacco. It will also alternate sponsorship of the Jonathan Winters show with the Lewis Howe Company, Tues-day 7:30-7:45, on the same net-work. WRCA ups Sam Dana has been promoted from supervisor of WRCA and WRCA-TV. He joined NBC in May, 1955.

NEW YORK---Martin Agronsky as publicity manager and Francis



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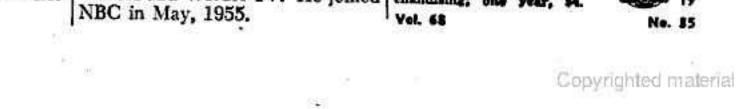
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ADDED SALES PUNCH Stars' Appearance **Hypo Product Sales**

HOLLYWOOD --- A TV pro- | appearances per year. Each p.a. is pearances of the stars in towns in well ahead. which the show is on the air can have a tremendous effect on prod- merchants. Banners and posters are uct sales. This is being graphically put up in stores, and both the TV illustrated in the p.a.'s the stars show and the star's appearance of "The Country Show" are waging plugged. With most of the towns in for sponsors Pillsbury Mills and the 5,000 to 50,000 population Ballard Flour Company.

Pillsbury spot-books the series, ally in 120 markets. Ballard picks appearances have been tremenup the tab in 23.

Webb Pierce, Faron Young, Marty operated wholeheartedly and sig-Robbins, and Carl Smith, each nified a new enthusiasm for the make approximately 200 personal product.

CBS Prepares You, the Jury'

NEW YORK--CBS-TV is pre-Accused," which formerly ran on specially tailored for Pillsbury and had an average Trendex of 22.6 the Du Mont network in an evening Ballard, thus giving them the ap- in this slot. slot. The web has bought the pearance of their own shows. property and revamped it to halfhour strip form.

interest to the daytime audience, which, added to 43 "Stars of the some of which may run for several Grand Ole Opry," being syndicated days. No time period has been as- around the country by Flamingo signed, but the web will have the Films, make a total of 95.

gram combined with personal ap- a co-ordinated campaign planned

Generally, this is set up with range it becomes a big event.

An exec at Campbell-Mithun, produced by Al Gannaway, nation- Pillsbury's ad agency, says that the The four stars of the program, Because of this, merchants have co-

> that, on the basis of the program they did this year. alone, the series might not have done a tremendous job.

Gannaway recently completed 26 It will consider various cases of Show," giving him a total of 52, KEY TO SUCCESS

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SUMMER SUBS BEAT '55, FAR UNDER FALL-SPRING Average 15-50 Per Cent Better Trendex; **Ratings About Half of Those Replaced**

NEW YORK --- The summer run Charlie Farrell film show was Theater,") as the replacement for programming story in 1956, seen slightly better than "Those Whiting "Texaco Star Theater," seems to with the hindsight of approaching Girls," also first-run film, of 1955. have proved more popular than fall, appears to have been slightly Farrell's July-August averageTren- the reruns of "Star Theater" itself better than that of 1955. But it dex was 12.9, while "Whiting last summer. In July and August still doesn't hold a candle to fall- Girls'" was 10.5. But it was still it drew Trendexes of 9.3 and 12.8. winter-spring. A study of the drawing only one third the popu- In August, 1955, "Star Theater" Trendex ratings of six representa- larity rating of "I Love Lucy," drew a Trendex of 9.0. This past tive summer replacements bears whose October-March average winter "Star Theater" with Jimmy this out. was 36.0.

These six summer shows did on Tuesday, 9-9:30 p.m., the firstthe average 15 to 50 per cent bet- run but oldie "Sneak Preview" was ter than their 1955 counterparts. a little better than the rerun "Sum-But they did hardly better than mer Theater" of 1955, but only dously successful in terms of sales. 50 per cent as well as the shows half as good as the in-season "Jane Wyman Fireside Theater." Its they replaced.

The first-run summer shows did July and August ratings were 9.8 better than the reruns, but only by and 12.5, whereas the comparable a whisker. In 1955, the first-run ratings last summer were 10.5 The agency exec stated frankly replacements did not do as well as and 7.7. "Fireside" had average 21.8.

alone, the series might not have Sunday, 10-10:30 p.m., the live Friday, 9-9:30 p.m., "Best in produced the sales effect desired, "Man Against Crime" has proved a Mystery," using "Four Star Playbut, with the p.a.'s linked in, it's stronger replacement than the live house" reruns this summer, seems "Cameo Theater" of last summer. to have had more appeal than the Gannaway agrees on the impor- Its July and August Trendex rat- reruns this show used last summer. tance the p.a.'s have had on re- ings were 11.4 and 11.5. The com- The August, 1956, Trendex was newals of the series, now going into parable ratings last year were 7.7 8.7, while the August, 1955, was its second year for its two big and 6.7. However, it is still a far 6.6. "Big Story" this past winter paring a new daytime show, "You, sponsors. Another plus is the fact cry from the Loretta Young show, in this slot had an average Trendex the Jury," based on "They Stand that openings and closings are which from October thru March of 17.6. Saturday Toll

Saturday, 9:30-10 p.m., "Festi-Monday, 9-9:30 p.m., the first- val of Stars" (reruns of "Ford

'Producer Showcase'

Durante had an average Trendex of 20.1.

In July, 1955, NBC-TV in Saturday, 9-10:30 p.m. carried the "Allen in Movieland" spectacular. It drew an average 12.7 Trendex. Saturday, 10-10:30 p.m., the "Encore Theater" dramatic reruns seem to be about on a par with the live Jonathan Winters varietycomedy "And Here's the Show" of last summer. In July and August it drew an 8.3 and 6.0, whereas Winters drew a 6.9 last August.



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property ready if the need should arise.

Top Tunes Top New Welk Show 'Famous Film'

HOLLYWOOD --- Top tunes of the week will be highlighted by the new Lawrence Welk variety show, going into the 9:30-10:30 p.m. slot on ABC Monday nights. To be called, "Lawrence Welk's Top Tunes and New Faces," program will also present a handpicked selection of outstanding talent from all sections of the country.

According to Sam Lutz, Welk's manager, and John Gaunt, Grant ad agency exec, no method of picking the top songs has been determined yet.

New talent will be picked from local radio and TV stations, colleges and universities.



NEW YORK--Wesson Oil is considering sponsorship of one of two network properties. It is eying alternate half-hour bankrolling of CBS-TV's "Playhouse 90," the Thursday 9:30-11 p.m. dramatic vehicle. Also being weighed is the purchase of one third of Sid Caesar.

The latter buy would be for 15 weeks during the winter season and five weeks during the summer. Wesson was to have bought half of "Blondie" from Hal Roach, but the deal fell thru.

Shapiro Heads Outlets

TULSA, Okla .--- The Griffin TV interests have appointed Mike Shapiro managing director of KTVX, here, and KATV, Little

Additionally, Gannaway is bringing out a new series with Faron Young, titled "The Young Sheriff," of which five have been completed. Flamingo will distribute this, also.

Gets Brit. Pix

NEW YORK --- ABC-TV has skirted its problem of secu.ing firstrun American features for "Famous Film Festival" by scheduling British movies instead.

Arthur Rank package, of which already circulating on tunes taken nearly 70 remain unseen. Included from "The Lord Don't Play Favorin these are "Hamlet" and "Cene- ites," which will debut the season vieve." The question now is what of Monday spectaculars. will they use on "Afternoon Film Festival," which has been drawing featured in the musical), Louis and Alfred Lunt and Lynne Fonslowly on the Rank reserve.

7:30-9 p.m. stanza.

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Buys With Bally Angle

NEW YORK --- Exploitation is the key word in the selection of properties for presentation on "Producers' Showcase," NBC-TV's Monday-night spectacular, according to Mort Abrahams, executive producer of the series. Vehicles booked for this season show a balance between music-longhair and pop-and drama, using name stars and name directors.

Music most obviously lends itself to exploitation, says Abrahams. The films will come from the J. He points to the numerous records names, Abrahams states. They in-

Armstrong and Mario Lanza have tanne in "The Great Sebastians." Knapp-Monarch Company, mak- already cut tunes which are getting This last is an instance of a top ers of electrical appliances, is tremendous deejay play. They are Broadway drama, never made into the latest participating spon- expected to do an impressive job a feature picture, being offered to sor to sign for the Saturday of pre-selling the September show, TV viewers without prior theatrical the production topper reports.

The same technique is also being used for "Jack and the Beanstalk," the November "Producers' Showcase" spectacular. Am-Par is beginning to cut disks. But Abrahams declares that the nature of the vehicle-being a fairy tale to be presented before the Thanksgiving holiday-will offer other exploitation potential, with exact promotions still in the blueprint stage.

The other properties for the coming season are expected to presell on the drawing value of their clude "Mayerling" with Audrey Hepburn and Mel Ferrer, the Old Vic's "Romeo and Juliet," Sol Hurok's "Festival of Music," Sadlers exposure.

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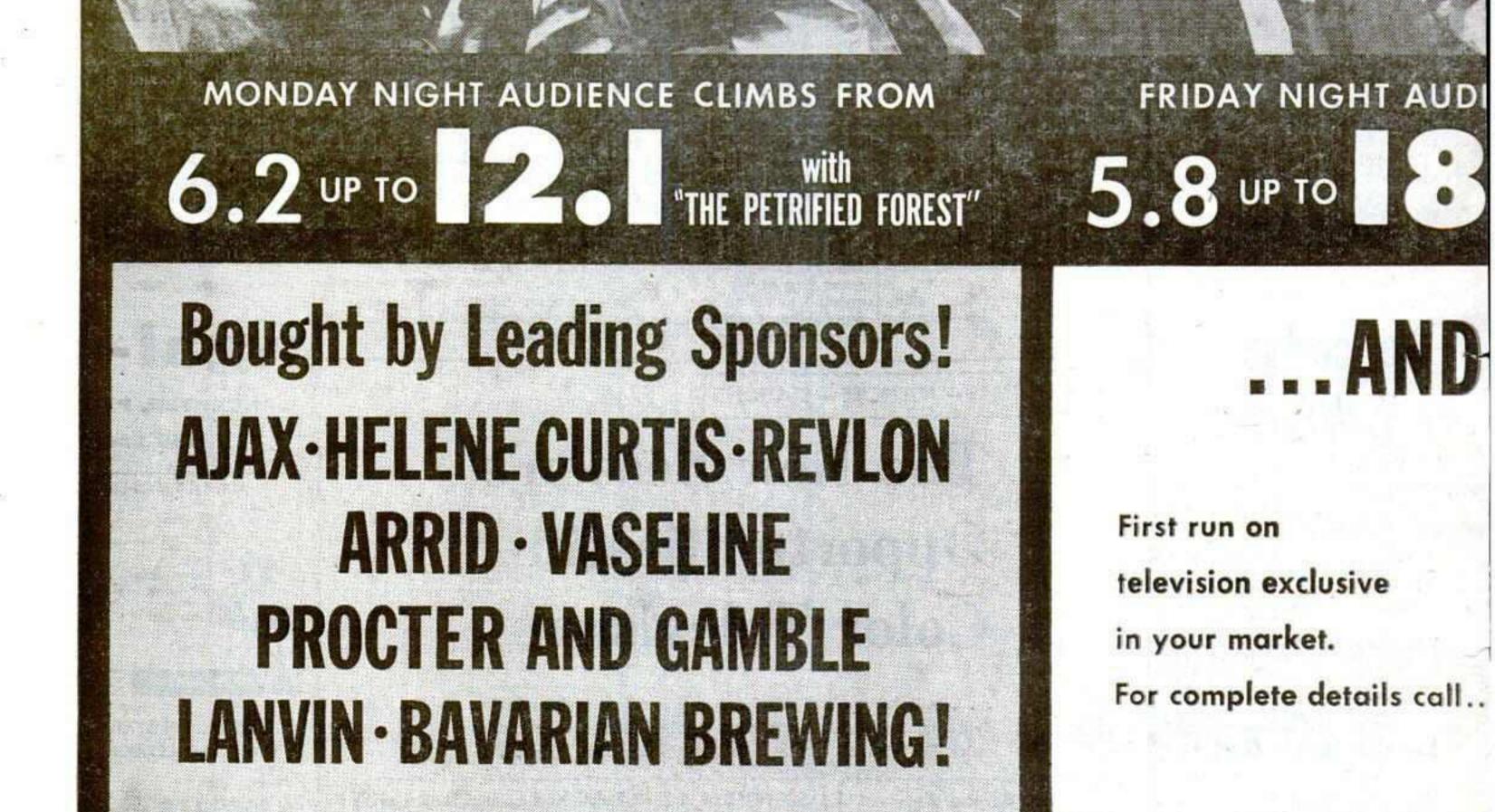
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Unger Gives Thoughts Re Ziv Approach

NEW YORK-"By the time we | don't know for certain we can sell produce a pilot film we know we're a property, we don't see any point going to produce the entire series." in shooting a pilot film." " For Ziv," So said Maurice (Babe) Unger, Unger continued, "the main purproduction vice-president of Ziv- pose of the pilot film is to guide TV, stopping off here on his way final production decisions on such to West Point for production con- matters as casting and scripting. Foods this fall.

attitude toward the practice of pilot making, Unger said, "If we

Alcoa-Goodyear Budget Up 20G

NEW YORK-The production budget on next season's "Alcoa Hour-Goodyear Playhouse," the Sunday night 9-10 p.m. drama, has been upped to an estimated \$65,000 per show from last season's \$45,000 per production. The drama will go in more for established properties which have greater exploitation possibilities to awaken audience interest.

Showcase Productions is lining up a stable of top production talents to take over as producers. Last week Charles Russell was signed. Also pacted are Sidney Lumet and Alex Segal. Herbert Brodkin was last season's producer.

ferences on the new Ziv show that The breather after completion of will go on CBS-TV for General the first film is the last chance we have to make any changes in our Expressing still another special basic approach to a series," he added. "It would be too late if we waited until 10 or 20 films were in the can. This point of view is obviously made possible by the fact that the Ziv field force can always be counted on to put a new show over

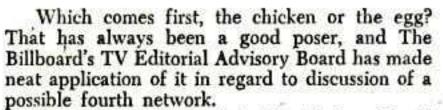
in syndication if it does not find a national sponsor in due time. **Beats Air Force**

According to Unger, the production of so many speculative pilot films is ridiculous. "Hollywood now has more pilots than the Air Force," he quipped.

Ziv itself is now known to have at least two pilot films in the house, "Annapolis," which is in the hands of its national sales force, and "Martin Kane, Private Eye," which has just completed shooting in England. One of these will probably become Ziv's next syndi-

cation release, early in 1957. Ziv now has four series in full production: "West Point," which will bow on CBS in the fall; "Dr. Christian," which will bow in syndication around October 1; "Science Fiction Theater," which is near the middle of its second year in the fall. Ziv concluded production of the first cycle of 39 films in "The Man Called X" two weeks ago. Production of this series is now in a hiatus pending a decision to produce a second year's cycle.

ADVISORY BOARD SURVEY Keys to Fourth Web: Programs, Clearance Consisting of one key ex-ecutive from each leading broadcaster, producer



The first question put to the Advisory Board was: Do you believe there is a need for a fourth web now? Voting thruout the various facets of the industry was pretty "even-steven," altho the "yes" replies got the nod with 55 per cent, against 41 per cent for the "no" voters. Curiously, the station category, which would seem to benefit the most from another network, voted 52 per cent against it.

The chicken-egg dilemma revolved around clearances and programming. The moot point was: If a fourth network got started, could it provide sufficient good programming and get sufficient clearances? Or would the growth of the number of stations, etc., have to come first?

On the matter of clearances, many voters operate in two and three-station markets, where some outlets already have more than one net affiliation. "So why do we need a fourth web?" they asked. Many on the board pointed to ABC and it's troubles in clearing markets.

Programming a Key

The second key factor-programming-actually was the factor that tipped the voting in favor of a fourth net. Better programming would result from the added competition, some felt. Others, agreeing, noted the SRO signs over the present networks' schedules and felt that there were plenty of good ideas still to be developed to offer a wider selection of fine shows. This, altho the opposition was quick to point out that the present webs were handling a variety of program fare.

and film company. how a fourth web, the advertiser question rounded out the study. It was asked: If you were-or area national advertiser, would you consider buying time on a fourth TV network during the 1956-'57 season?

"Well, sir, it depends," came the replies from a hedge-straddling majority, and with some justification. Altho those opposed to using an additional web made up only 20 per cent of the total vote, their reasons were concrete: The three nets take good care of the present audience, a fourth couldn't get clearances anyway and there's no track record on viewers, were their arguments.

The heaviest tally was in the "depends" category with 41 per cent, followed closely by the positive minded with 38 per cent. However, the positive minded proved to be not so positive either in their comments. They definitely would buy if the time periods, markets and programming fare were worth it. In other words, the approach to a fourth net would have to be as with any other purchase.

Many members thought rates would be cheaper and that there would be an audience in areas where the big nets don't reach. They deemed it an excellent chance for the newcomer or for those forced out by SRO signs elsewhere.

More on time, payment formulae and programming on this fourth hypothetical network will be discussed in the next installment of the Advisory Board in two weeks.

| How The | ey | Voted | |
|-------------------------------|-------|-------------|-------------|
| Do you believe there is a nee | d for | a fourth ne | twork in TV |
| today? | | | |
| anonana centra e | Yes | No | No Opinion |
| Stations | 16 | 19 | 1 |
| Agencles | | 10 | |
| Network Sponsors | | | 1 |
| Regional, Local and Spot | | | - |
| Advertisers | 3 | 3 | |
| Producers, Labs, Equipment | | - 2 | |
| Distributors | | 1 | 1 |
| | - | | 1000 |
| TOTAL | 47 | 35 | 3 |

Britain Tries Morning TV

LONDON-Key to the growing confidence most commercial TV operators are feeling here, despite heavy losses by at least one overstaffed contractor, is Associated Broadcasting Corporation's decision to bring back morning programs. Heralded as the housewife's choice, both the London contractors ran morning programs for the first six months of their operation here, then hustled them off the screen as uneconomic.

Now ABC has scheduled an hour Sunday a.m. show which will be networked. Contractors feel that the morning shows may become general again soon, now that viewers have got used to the commercial type of format.

Cig Sponsor Adds Quarter

NEW YORK --- Brown & Williamson for Viceroy and Kools, bought its fourth alternate week daytime quarter hour on the NBC-TV network. Purchass was of Tennessee Ernie, giving it a full quarter hour sponsorship of the variety show.

Advertiser is also bankrolling alternate week quarter hours of "It Could Be You" and "Queen for a Day."

NARTB to Distrib Kits for TV Week

WASHINGTON - TV stations shortly will receive a kit of promotional materials from the National Association of Radio & Television as Henry (Hot Lips) Levine, Broadcasters to boost the promotion of National TV Week, September Bon Bon, Delloyd McKaye and the 23-29.

It contains news releases, slides and a list of tie-in ideas for use will be no emsee, the transitions within the format of live programs. from one act to another being Color will also be accented in the handled by dances, instrumental promotional materials.

Mickey Adds Minn. Mining

NEW YORK --- ABC-TV has added the Minnesota Mining Company to its sponsor line-up for "Mickey Mouse Club," reducing to seven and a half the number of quarter-hours still unsold.

The 26-week contract will match Minnesota Mining with Miles Laboratories, in keeping with ABC-TV's policy of selling only a firm 52 weeks.

M. Rountree Show Slotted

NEW YORK --- NBC-TV will program Martha Rountree's "Press Conference" Mondays, 7:30-7:55 p.m., with a five-minute news round-up by John Cameron Swayze to follow at 7:55.

This breaks the network's "news and music strip" pattern to which it adhered in past seasons in that daily half-hour time slot.

WRCV to Bow Live Jazz Show

PHILADELPHIA --- Dixieland is the theme of "Midnight Jazz Festival," a live, local half-hour program which will bow here October 6 over WRCV-TV. The show will feature such jazz stars Coatesville Harris, Al Leopold, Petit Fours dance foursome,

Dennis Kane will direct. There riffs or vocalized rhymes.

This discussion naturally led to a second question: Would you use phone lines or film only for such a network? "Film only" edged out the telephone lines 42 per cent to 39 per cent in a close voting. Immediacy was the main reason for adhering to line use. Sell appeal, too, was a key factor in favoring live programming. The public likes live shows, they said. "Multiple prints would cost too much, and the fare would be too limited."

When it comes to costs, said the film advocates, the lines would be entirely too expensive. Film also would eliminate time belt changes and eliminate the problem of clearances. Flexibility seemed to be a key word for those favoring a film network.

Special Events

The voters for "film only" were not blind to the fact that some programming, i.e., sports events, conventions, etc., would need the live approach which could be provided only by the lines. This presented no stumbling block to planning, many felt, because lines could be leased when needed. Regional and local advertisers, too, they pointed out, would be able to get into TV in more advantageous time periods.

If the voting on the first two questions was about equally divided on the questions of why or

Stations Say . . .

JACK GILBERT, station manager, KHOL-TV, Holdrege, Neb.: "The third net is having trouble because of a lack of outlets . . . a fourth would have a worse time.

CARL FOX, manager, KYTV, Springfield, Mo.: "There are enough program ideas and stars, plus good film properties . . . to fill four networks and thus give the people a greater and more selective choice."

ROY E. MORGAN, executive veepee, WILK-TV, Wilkes-Barre, Pa .: "The film network could be implemented when necessary by leased telephone lines to provide specific coverage.

FRANK C. McINTYRE, veepee, KLIX-TV, Twin Falls, Idaho: Fourth web time clearance would be a problem. "For instance, in a very small TV market we are being pressed to offer good clearances for our present networks."

BOB WATSON, station manager, KGNC-TV, Amarillo, Tex.: "Lines are tremendously expensive. Clearances would be very difficult in markets with only two or three stations. With film you could pick and choose times, trying for same time in all zones . . .

REX HOWELL, president, KREX-TV, Grand Junction, Colo.: "Present limitations of alloca-

In the next TV Editorial Advisory Board study:

WORKINGS OF THE 'FOURTH WEB'

If you were to try to organize a TV network today, would you plan to circulate your programs by telephone lines, as the existing networks do, or would you circulate them strictly by film, as has been often discussed over the past five years?

| 10 | elephone | Film | |
|--|----------|------|---|
| ST 52 | Lines | Only | Both |
| Stations | 10 | 21 | |
| Agencies | 11 | 5 | |
| Network Sponsors | 2 | | 2 |
| Regional, Local and Spot | | | |
| Advertisers | 2 | 1 | |
| Producers, Labs, Equipment | 1 | 5 | 2 |
| Distributors | | 5 | 2 |
| | | | |
| TOTAL | 28 | 37 | .6 |
| If you were—or are—a nat alder buying time on a four '57 season? | | | Contraction of the second s |
| | Yes | No | Depends |
| Stations | 12 | 8 | , |
| Agencies | 5 | 3 | |
| TV Network Sponsors | | 1 | 2 |
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| Producers, Labs, Equipment | | | 5 |
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tions precludes successful operation of a fourth network in a traditional competitive pattern."

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HERB BRANDES, general manager, KDRO-TV, Sedalia, Mo.: A fourth net would "give stations which have been unable to secure a network an opportunity to compete. It will also curb the monopolistic practices of the networks today. The networks have a stranglehold on the growth of telveision as of now."

Agencies Say . . .

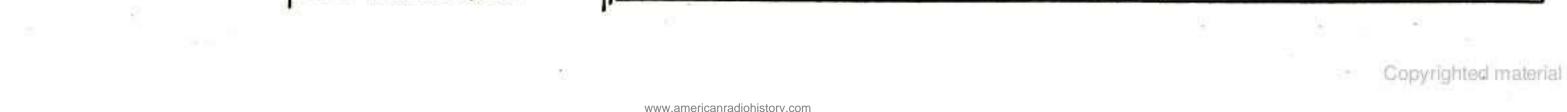
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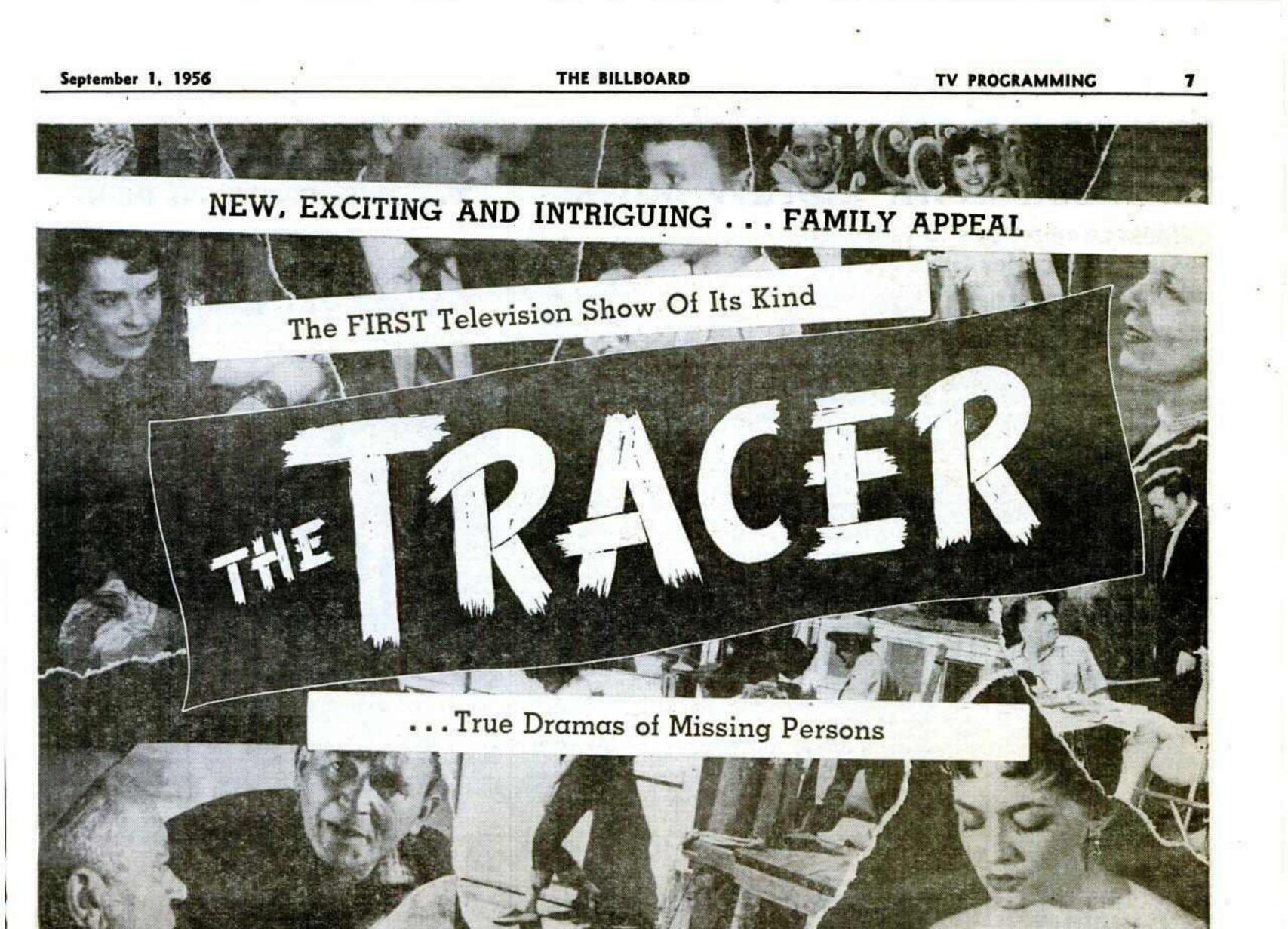
ROBERT W. JENSEN, TV-radio director, BEARDEN, THOMPSON, FRANKEL, Atlanta: "I think there is a great deal of room for a new network with refreshing new programming ideas leader."

S. LAWRENCE ROTHMAN, radio-TV director, ROTHMAN ADVERTISING, Pittsburgh: "I would use film only to allow flexibility to stations in time areas where competition is weak. . . . This film network would give better quality prints and more adaptability.

Regional Sponsors Say . . .

JOHN W. HALEY, advertising manager, NAR-**RAGANSETT BREWING, Providence, R. L.: I** would use a fourth web. "Too many mediumsized regional advertisers are now barred from effective television."







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TV FILM PROGRAMMING

September 1, 1956

M-G-M Covers Third of U. S. In Week With Library Sales Makes Rapid Deals to 12 Outlets, Others Due; May Gross \$50 Mil

with KTTV, Los Angeles.

KMOX-TV, St. Louis, and WGTH-TV, Hartford, Conn., if the ac- in excess of \$50,000,000 by the to acquire the strong library of quisition of the last two stations is approved by the Federal Communications Commission. The Tri-

NEW YORK—In the space of angle Publications group will pay time sellout is achieved on all one week M-G-M TV has covered about \$3,000,000 for WFIL-TV, Metro feature product. almost one-third of the United Philadelphia; WNHC-TV, New A large number of other library States with its library of 725 pre- Haven, Conn.; WNBF-TV, Bing- deals are also on the verge of 1949 feature films. Three rapid- hamton, N. Y., and WFBG-TV, being concluded. Perhaps the one fire deals to 12 stations were con- Altoona, Pa. Another \$1,500,000 most likely to be closed shortly is cluded this week with three im- is expected to be paid by the King with KEYD-TV, Minneapolis, portant station groups, in addition Broadcasting Company for KING- which will repeat the KTTV patto the one firmed up last week TV, Seattle, and KGW-TV, Port- tern. KEYD is expected to sell a land, Ore., now under construc- 25 per cent interest in its station For seven years of unlimited tion. Since an estimated \$4,000;- to M-G-M TV, and, in a separate plays, M-G-M TV will receive 000 is also to be paid by KTTV, arrangement, buy the entire feaabout \$12,000,000 from CBS for Los Angeles, for the features, the ture library. WCBS-TV, here; WBBM-TV, Chi- M-G-M TV take will be about cago; WXIX-TV, Milwaukee; \$20,500,000, a tremendous volume faced with happy alternatives be-

of business, which indicates a gross

WASHINGTON-The "Guide-

light" for programming television

shows for the younger set is

"curiosity," according to a group

of consultants on children's pro-

gramming. The group told the

Educational Television and Radio

Center that "the desire to learn

something about almost every-

thing" is one of the many factors

to be considered in planning shows

which will catch and hold the

Children's programming should

Key to Kiddie

TV: Curiosity

M-G-M TV has found itself cause of the desire of the stations

pictures. It can either sell the library to stations, or sell them the library and buy substantial interests in stations themselves. There is little doubt that M-G-M TV will wind up as 25 per cent owner of about five stations, mainly in major markets.

The deal with the CBS-owned stations seemingly was dead early ast week when Chairman of the Board Bill Paley returned from a Bermuda vacation. It was he who reopened it. M-G-M TV was then locked in negotiations with WOR-TV, but Paley's offer was so substantial that it could not be refused. Only KNXT, Los Angeles, of the CBS-owned stations will not get the features, but that is because of the rapidity with which **KTTV** acted.

BEHIND THIS WEEK'S NEWS.

Bud Barry: Man Who Kicks Traces to Do Things Right

By SAM CHASE

THE ROGUISH smile on the leprechaun face pictured below be-L longs to Charles C. (Bud) Barry, 45-year-old vice-president in charge of TV for Loew's, Inc. He can't be blamed for feeling elated at this moment, for he has apparently proved a pretty big point, that Loew's could itself successfully handle the sale to TV of the M-G-M library of 725 feature films.

Barry seems to have made a career of bucking established



CHARLES C. (BUD) BARRY

After working as a reporter with The Boston Globe and Montgomery Ward as promotion writer, he entered broadcasting as an announcer for NBC in Washington in 1937 and became Presidential announcer to F.D.R. By 1941 he had been transferred to New York as assistant program manager of NBC's Blue network, and in 1943, when the Blue was sold to ABC, he became national director of program operations. In 1945 he became the web's national radio program chief, the following year added TV to his duties, and in 1947 was elected veepee in charge of programs at ABC.

practices, so nobody should have been surprised when he resolutely opposed the suggestion that Loew's sell the films outright, or lease them to a TV film distributor to handle. Having joined Loew's but a few short weeks before the fateful board decision was made, Barry took a stance for the firm's handling of the film library itself.

The Pay-Off

Tht pay-off, as outlined in the accompanying story, has already rung up better than \$20,000,000 on the Loew's cash register, something the firm's stockholders are unlikely to look upon glumly after recent lean years.

Barry has been going his own way, and scoring pretty well at it, for quite some time.

#1 SYNDICATED SHOW IN LOS ANGELES 16.9 RATING, watches a television program. **25.1% AUDIENCE** SHARE

and in San Diego: 27.4 rating, 47.8% audience share

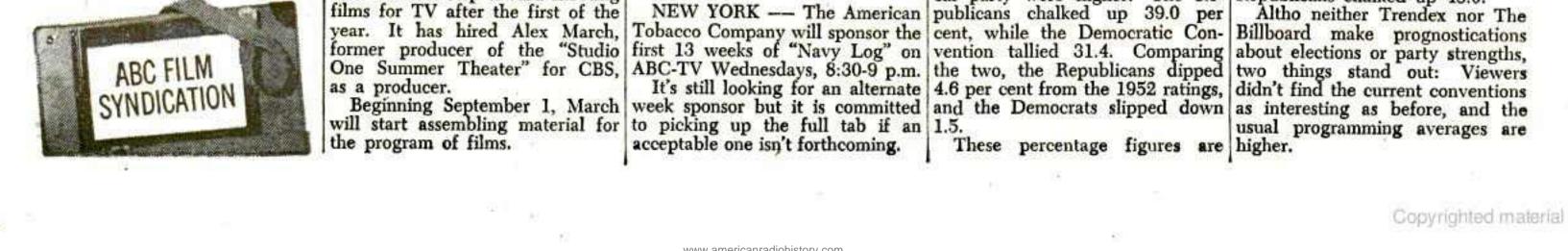
Highest rated in its time segments Sacramento: 16.5 Portland: 17.8 Seattle-Tacoma: 22.7 San Francisco: 12.3

Several east coast and mid-west markets sold for fall start.

Many good markets from coast to coast elready bought. Yours still available?

Rating source on request

Write, wire, phone ABC FILM SYNDICATION, INC. 10 East 44th Street New York City OXford 7-5880



"broaden their knowledge about things at their own level of understanding," the kid experts said. This can be accomplished "with the proper presentation and thru a captivating personality."

interest of youngsters.

It was also pointed out that programs should be developed for each of three age groups-tots from by three to seven, juveniles eight to 11 and adolescents 12 to 16. Research is also needed, the experts claim, to discover "what happens inside" the youngster when he



HOLLYWOOD-Net profits of Walt Disney Productions will probably double this year as compared to 1955, according to the ninemonth earnings report released over the weekend. For the period ending June 30, 1956, net profits were \$2,091,975. The entire fiscal year of 1955, ending October 1, saw a net of \$1,352,576.

Disneyland Park, operated as a separate enterprise, had a net profit of \$187,891 up to July 29, 1956, more or less its first year of operation. This was after deducting pre-, opening expenses of \$887,692 and depreciation of \$1,792,437.

The Disney net is on a ninemonth gross of \$20 million plus. Following the recent two-for-one stock split, the profit is equal to \$1.60 per share.



HOLLYWOOD --- RKO has taken its first step toward shooting



PARIS-Scheherezade's repertoire of stories will be made into a color series for national sponsorship Jean-Paul Blondeau, French producer-director,

The half - hour, semi - musical show, tentatively called "A Thousand and One Nights," may star Alfred Drake and Yvonne De Carlo. Filming of two pilots starts sometime this fall in French Moгоссо.

Blondeau, who created "Dollar a Second" in Paris and later bought it to the U.S., will reverse procedures and air the new series here only after American saturation.

M-G-M Deals for **Only Black-White**

NEW YORK-The deals made by M-G-M TV for the sale of its library of feature films to three station groups and KTTV, Los Angeles, permits the transmission of the films only in black and white. The stations which own the library and wish to transmit the prints in color must work out separate terms. Of the 725 pictures, 60 are in color.

C&C Television, which has the **RKO** library of features, offers color rights as well as black and white. Associated Artists Productions, the owner of the Warner Bros.' library, has not sold color rights except in the case of KTLA, Los Angeles.

American Tobacco Has 'Log' 13 Weeks

One of his first coups in that capacity was to pick up a Lou Cowan package which had been rejected by the other webs. Barry saw something in the show, titled "Stop the Music," which eluded the other web's program chiefs. When it bowed, in March, 1948, it was against the best the opposing webs had to offer.

This reviewer wrote at the time that the giveaway Goliath of its day "should bring in a sizable portion of the giant Sunday night audience. But nobody, least of all ABC, thinks it will drive Edgar Bergen and Fred Allen off the airlanes." At least half the latter statement proved very wrong indeed.

But if "Barry's Folly" played a major role in undermining Fred Allen's own show, Barry himself later was to be instrumental in bringing the late comedian back to the heights. This was in November, 1950, when Barry had already shifted over to NBC as program chief, and again bucked the standard thinking of the day by devising radio's first and only 90-minute spectacular series, with multiple sponsorship, as a last gasp device to keep that medium exciting.

It was "The Big Show," with scripting headed by Goodman Ace and with Tallulah Bankhead as femsee, which at least sent big-time radio down gloriously. Fred Allen's participation on this series, along with a host of the biggest names around, will doubtless be recalled as constituting some of his finest work. This reporter's review of the premiere said that "NBC's program veep, Bud Barry, should be named radio's man of the year on the basis of this show for giving potent evidence that there's plenty of life in the old AM carcass yet."

Shift to TV Sales

Barry later shifted over to become veepee in charge of TV program sales at NBC, a unique position which combined his programming and sales talents. He left the web to go to the William Morris Agency at the end of 1954, and it was from the latter slot, where he handled top-level contacts with networks, advertisers and agencies, that he came to Loew's.

When Barry left NBC, Bob Sarnoff wrote him: "I, too, hope that we will continue to see each other on various industry projects." Ironically, however, it was with CBS Board Chairman Bill Paley that Barry last week closed the biggest deal yet on behalf on the M-G-M feature library.

But that's Bud Barry. He's a guy to whom you can't say, "Do it the standard way." Not if there's a different way to do it that's as good or better.



cal party were higher. The Re-

based on the number of sets in use, figures on which the political parties fared somewhat better. In 1952 the weekly Monday thru Friday Trendex average was 41.5, against which the Democratic convention scored a 42.1, and the Republicans chalked up 48.0.

GO GETTERS

New Features Really Pull in Top Ratings

NEW YORK-The early rating Garfield. On the evening show number of key markets in which against a 2.8 average in July. stations have started their big pictures in the summer there has been a spectacular upgrading of the audience on the theaters playing for the August survey week, and these films.

WKRC, Cincinnati, more than doubled the average ratings of its "Home Theater," Monday-Friday, 11:15 p.m., and its "Ladies' Home Theater," Monday-Friday, 5-6 p.m. when it started its Warner Bros. pictures in August. On Wednesday (1) "God Is My Co-Pilot" on the former show drew an American Research Bureau rating of 13.4, whereas the Wednesday rating on that theater in July was 4.8. Other Warner films it played during August rating week are "Bordertown" with Paul Muni and Bette Davis, "Flaxy Martin" with Vir-ginia Mayo, "Roaring Twenties" with James Cagney and "The Sea



reports coming in on the big, new they drew an average 12.5 against feature films continue to indicate a 4.9 that theater drew in July. the stations are indeed getting The daytime show had a 6.0 Auwhat they are paying for. In a gust average with the Warners,

WTVN Rises

WTVN, Columbus, O., also started its Warner pictures in time increased the average of its "Early

(Continued on page 12)



WASHINGTON-Harold See, manager of KRON-TV, San Fran-Wolf" with Ida Lupino and John cisco, was again elected chairman of the TV Film Committee of the National Association of Radio and TV Broadcasters.

The rest of the committee elected to serve for the 1956-'57 season consists of Elizabeth Bain, WGN-TV. Chicago: Joe Floyd, KELO-TV, Sioux Falls, S. D.; Gordon Gray, WOR-TV, New York; Elaine Phillips, WSPD-TV, Toledo, O.; Ken Tredwell Jr., WBTV, Charlotte, N. C., and Ray Wilpott, WRGB, Schenectady, N. Y.

Metro Movies Won't Upset Stations' Program Patterns

stated by the manager of one of years to come.

the stations that last week bought any new ones.

libraries this year.

occurring almost solely at stations does not plan any change in rates. that did not previously have a firstrun movie policy. But the strong that has heretofore ridden so heavfeature stations have made only ily on half-hour syndicated series, marginal changes at most. A few has not definitely decided what it have put new titles on their feature will do with the Metro films. But programs. A few have made slight at present it expects to install a time changes, such as moving their high quality movie show in prime theaters a half hour into prime time only one night. (It now has time on a few nights.

definitely have Metro features in its new look in features to reduce

PENDING STEP

which have bought the great pected to stage any revolutions in for weaker reruns. M-G-M library so far will not, by program structure. Consequently, and large, make any significant they each will have a healthy backchanges in their programming pat- log of product to keep their movie terns because of this purchase. As show at a high level for a few

WCBS-TV here had effected a the Metro pictures, the stations are complete sellout of its five feature using this product to "integrate and programs last week even before it upgrade," meaning that they will concluded the Metro deal. It use it to strengthen their estab- would have difficulty making time lished programs rather than start for any more feature programming even if it wanted to. It will not This, in fact, has been the main begin airing the Metro films until tendency of the stations which January 1, at which time it will have bought the big packages and also begin its Warner Bros. pictures. This latest purchase gives it There are exceptions, of course, a backlog of over 1,000 titles. It

KTTV, Los Angeles, the indie features up until 9 p.m. on Sunday The eight stations which will and Tuesday.) It loes not expect

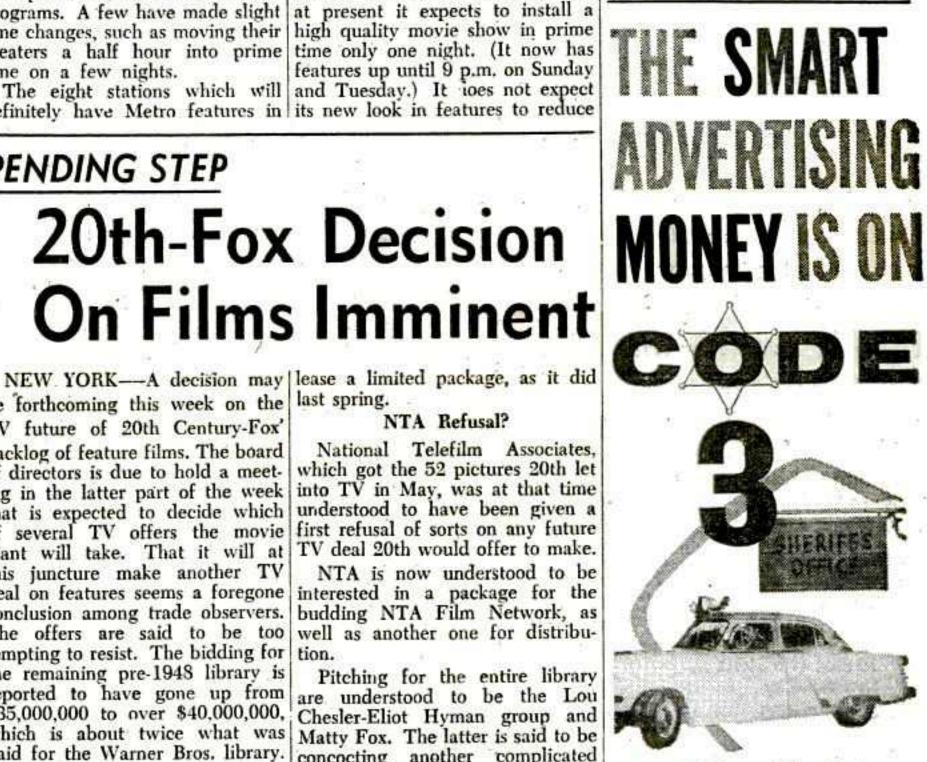
NEW YORK --- The stations the 1956-57 season are not ex- its use of syndicated film, except

WFIL Retitles

WFIL-TV, Philadelphia, is this week changing the title of its two movie strips to "Movietime U. S. A." in accordance with its buy of the RKO library. It also has the 20th Century-Fox package for these plans, except that the station is toying with the idea of adding one or two movie stanzas a week. It now has a backlog of over 1,500 pictures not run.

WBBM, Chicago, has been starting its "Late Show" at 11:30 p.m. With the buy of the Metro films, it is expected to move the show up to 11 p.m.

WXIX, Milwaukee, has been starting its "Early Show" at 4:40 p.m. and its "Late Show" at 11:20 p.m. It is not expected to make any change.



Daytime Strip For 'Brooks'

NEW YORK --- Another rerun vidfilm series will go into daytime. CBS-TV intends to slot "Our Miss Brooks" in the 2-2:30 strip, re-placing Johnny Carson beginning October 1. This is the second daytime network half hour to use rerun properties.

The first is NBC-TV's "Comedy Time" which has bought such reruns as the Joan Davis show, "It's Always Jan." "Dear Phoebe," "It's a Great Life" and "Topper." There are said to be 117 half hours in the "Our Miss Brooks" series.

It is not clear whether the network has given up on Carson en- itself, as M-G-M has done. It after his European trip and went tirely or will try to slot him in could sell off the entire library, as on to Hollywood in the latter part another time period.

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be forthcoming this week on the last spring. TV future of 20th Century-Fox'

backlog of feature films. The board giant will take. That it will at TV deal 20th would offer to make. this juncture make another TV The offers are said to be too tempting to resist. The bidding for tion. the remaining pre-1948 library is reported to have gone up from \$35,000,000 to over \$40,000,000, paid for the Warner Bros. library.

by 20th itself and other movie library. majors.

Warner Bros. did. Or it could of the week.

20th-Fox Decision

NTA Refusal?

National Telefilm Associates, of directors is due to hold a meet- which got the 52 pictures 20th let ing in the latter part of the week into TV in May, was at that time that is expected to decide which understood to have been given a of several TV offers the movie first refusal of sorts on any future

NTA is now understood to be deal on features seems a foregone interested in a package for the conclusion among trade observers. budding NTA Film Network, as well as another one for distribu-

Pitching for the entire library are understood to be the Lou Chesler-Eliot Hyman group and which is about twice what was Matty Fox. The latter is said to be concocting another complicated The alternatives now open to station-time-sponsor plan of the 20th have been given precedent sort he has been working out with by moves made already this year International Latex on the RKO

Spyros Skouras, president of It could go into TV distribution 20th, was in New York last week

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New Sponsors Pick Up Tab On 'Hudson'

HOLLYWOOD --- Start of second year production on a syndicated series can hypo sales of the show in markets in which it pre- the Miller Brewing Company, the viously hadn't been able to pick up a sponsor. This is apparently what's happening in the case of "Dr. Hudson's Secret Journal," second-year films of which will go on the air in September.

Apparently some top sponsors feel that they want assurance of at least two years' product before making a buy, Eugene Solow, one of the producers, said last week. Since the start of production on the second-year films, MCA-TV has sold the series in some 20 markets in which no sponsor had been found before.

Among these are such major areas as New York, Boston, Cincinnati and Providence, most of them hard-to-clear time areas. The additions bring the number of markets the show is in close to the 150 mark.

Regional Deals

"Hudson" is attracting more and bigger regional deals in its second year. Wilson meat packing, which had the show in only six markets for the first year, will sponsor it in more than 30 markets in the second year. Bowman Biscuit has again taken it for 17 markets and in ad- SRO on A.M. dition took options for several more.

Pacific Gas & Electric has bought "Hudson" for Northern California. Union Bank of Commerce bought it for Cleveland. The Gill two morning film strips were

85 Markets Carry 'Code'

NEW YORK - More regional advertisers and single market, buyers have picked up ABC Film Syndication's new first-run "Code 3" series, hiking the total number of markets sold to over 85.

The new regional purchasers are Fleming Company (a wholesale grocery firm) and Top Valu Enterprises, which merchandises retail stamps.

Mill Brewing bought the show for six Wisconsin markets, Milwaukee, Madison, Wausau, La Crosse, Green Bay and Eau Claire. Fleming bought the show for Columbia, Mo; Kansas City, Mo.; Topeka, Kan., and Wichita, Kan. Top Valu will sponsor the show in Tulsa, Okla., Houston and Wash- ID'S ington.

The purchase by Miller Brewing brings to six the number of beer companies which have bought the series from ABC Film. Others include Rheingold, Stroh and Koehler.

ABC Film last week reported that its gross sales during June and July increased more than 95 per cent over the comparable two months of 1955. The programming properties it is selling increased by only 38 per cent.

WCBS' Quick **Film Strips**

NEW YORK --- WCBS-TV's

COMMERCIAL CUES

OLD WINE, IMPROVED BOTTLES

Ideas are popping like crazy at Animation, Inc. The firm has dusted off a successful radio sound track, added visuals thru animation and come up with a new TV commercial for Carling's Beer. The account was saved an estimated \$2,000 on the spot. The Lang, Fisher & Stashower Agency, of Cleveland, says the experiment "has proved successful with viewers, the client and the agency." Animation plans to do more of the same. And if that weren't enough, the production firm has also changed a system which has been used in the industry for 30 years. Instead of the hand tracing process on artists' sketches, a new camera transfers the original to celluloid, thus "improving the picture quality" by being "more faithful . . . to the original sketches." Another time and money saver.

NEW TO THE LISTS

Commercial Syndicated Films, Inc., owned and operated by National Screen Service in New York and Lewis & Martin Films, Inc., in Chicago, has been formed to do just what its name implies. The commercials will be shot in color and black and white, utilizing full animation, and will be sold on a syndicated basis considerably under custom-made prices. The firm, working thru and with its parents, will also offer service and sales facilities. National Screen, for example, has 31 branches in major cities.

Robert Lawrence Productions, Ltd., Canadian subsidiary of the U.S. firm of the same name, has arranged for studio space in Toronto for commercial production. The company will share the new motion picture studio belonging to Meridian Films, Ltd., industrial and theatrical producer.... Playhouse Pictures completed 37 spots for six advertisers during the last two months. Two of their commercials wil be shown at the Cannes, France, competition-the Ford "Balloon" and the Ford "Carpet" blurps. ... Albert C. Gannaway Productions, Nashville, wrapped up 10 Ballard flour and six Pillsbury blurps last week.... Richard Mulford has replaced Ed Feldman as director of the commercial division at Desilu.... San Francisco's KCO-TV landed a 13-week pact for 60-second blurps for Dri-zit.... Guild Films will do a series of Esquire Show Polish ads, with Wally Could directing.

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.

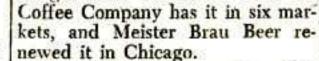
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From February thru May, Videodex gave "Hudson" the highest national average rating of any syndicated show.



NEW YORK--Guild Films has acquired the personal records and files of former Chief Inspector Conrad Rothengast of the New York City Police for a new vidfilm series, a pilot of which is to be shot in color.

Major filming will take place in New York, guided by Ed Ruby and Jack Rieger, who negotiated Sales, Donald Goldsmith has been the deal. Rothengast will appear promoted to manager of the Chiin the series, tentatively titled cago office, replacing William "New York's Most Important Police Perkinson, who now heads the Los Cases."

quickly sold out last week after riding a high rating level all summer. "My Little Margie," 9-9:30 a.m., was the highest rated daytime show in New York, and "Amos 'n' Andy," 9:30-10 a.m., was not far behind it. In three days last week the WCBS salesmen closed out 18 remaining oneminute availabilities, to score a 40-spot sellout effective in about two weeks. The spots sell at a one-minute rate of \$675.

Advertisers that bought "Margie" and "Amos 'n' Andy" here last week were Anahist, Fresh Pine Deodorant, Thomas Bread, Imperial margarine, Buitoni spaghetti and Bissell carpet sweeper. Signed earlier were Proctor Electric, Bon Ami, Presto Industries, Continental Baking-and Bayer aspirin. -

CBS Pix Ups Goldsmith

CHICAGO---At CBS-TV Film Angeles office.

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TOP SHOW PLUGGERS

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The very first page, which lists the 15 pictures in the "Anniversary" package, contains in the pocket in a memo suggesting some over-all exploitation ideas and also a study prepared by ABC Film on the effectiveness of feature films on TV.

(Next week: WCBS-TV.(



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Population-585,000 (35th in U. S.)

Buying Income-\$349,253,000 (29th)

Retail Sales-\$761,591,000 (33d)

Food Sales-\$164,157,000 (33d) Drug Sales-\$25,718,000 (30th) Automotive-\$140,831,000 (33d)

Above figures include following county:

TOP NETWORK SHOWS

1. \$64,000 Question, WBNS, T. 36.0 2. \$64,000 Challenge, WBNS, Su. ... 33.5

3. Ed Sullivan, WBNS, Su. 30.8

4. I've Got a Secret, WBNS, W. ... 30.5

7. What's My Line? WBNS, Su. .. 28.5

TOP MULTI-WEEKLY SHOWS

1. Chet Long, WBNS, M.-F. 18.7

2. Little Rascals, WBNS, M.-F. .. 14.8

TOP SYNDICATED FILMS

Borax), WBNS, Su.-8:30 24.0

WBNS, M.-10:3015.7

3. Mickey Mouse Club, WTVN,

5. Western Roundup, WBNS,

7. Armchair Theater, WBNS,

9. Early Home Theater, WTVN,

1. Highway Patrol (Ziv), WBNS,

2. †Death Valley Days (Pacific

3. Man Called X (Ziv), WBNS,

4. Superman (Flamingo), WBNS,

6. Public Defender (Interstate),

7. Favorite Story (Ziv), WBNS,

8. Studio 57 (MCA), WLW-C,

8. Arthur Godfrey, WBNS,

25.5

9. Godfrey's Talent Scouts, WBNS,

10. Lassie, WBNS, Su.

PULSE LOCAL RATINGS FOR JUNE

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

WFIL Project **Strips Reruns** In Long Shows

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PHILADELPHIA - With the debut of the "Movietime U. S. A." feature film program (RKO library) on Monday (27), WFIL-TV here will also begin two new daytime projects which will make extensive use of half-hour reruns.

Despite all the feature film it now has on hand, WFIL will make a bid for the housewife with halfhour strips, a concept that was born at another station (WRCV) in the market a year ago with "My Little Margie.

WFIL is installing three halfhour films back to back in the 10:30 a.m.-noon strip. The idea behind this move is that the housewife will not feel bound to watch a full 90-minute show, but can stay tuned for only a half-hour if it's more convenient.

WFIL has titled the hour-and-ahalf strip "Triangle Theater." It will be hosted by its sister radio station's morning man, Phil Sheridan.

To program "Triangle Theater," WFIL has made a library deal with MCA-TV.

The station will use the same concept in a new Western show it is installing in the 6-7 p.m. strip, a show titled "Star Theater." This will carry "Cisco Kid" (Ziv-TV) and "Kit Carson" (MCA) back to back.

New Features Really Pull In Top Ratings

COLUMBUS, O. 3 TV STATIONS-163,400 TV HOMES

Franklin.

1 TV STATION-51,400 TV HOMES Population-324,300 (65th in U. S.) Buying Income—\$385,921,000 (90th) Retail Sales—\$294,138,000 (83d) Food Sales-\$46,603,000 (113th) Drug Sales-\$11,048,000 (67th) Automotive-\$53,943,000 (98th) Above figures include following county: Mecklenberg

CHARLOTTE, N. C.

TOP NETWORK SHOWS

| 1. | \$64,000 Question, WBTV, T 56.0 |
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| 2. | I've Got a Secret, WBTV, W52.3 |
| 3, | Playhouse of Stars, WBTV, F51.8 |
| 4. | Millionaire, WBTV, W51.0 |
| 5. | Crusaders, WBTV, F |
| 6. | Boxing, WBTV, W |
| 7. | Alfred Hitchcock, WBTV, Su 46.8 |
| 7. | Climax, WBTV, Th46.8 |
| 7. | Two for the Money, WBTV, S46.8 |
| 0. | 4 Star Playhouse, WBTV, Th 46.5 |

TOP MULTI-WEEKLY SHOWS

- 1. Arthur Smith, WBTV, T., Th. .42.0
- 2. Harvesters, WBTV, T., W. 32.0 3. Esso Reporter (6:30 p.m.),
- 3. Weather, Vespers (6:45 p.m.),
- 5. Looney Tunes Jamboree, WBTV,
- 6. Community Affair, WBTV, W.,
- 7. Search for Tomorrow, WBTV,
- 8. Love of Life, WBTV, M.-F. 17.9
- 9. Guiding Light, WBTV, M.-F. .. 17.8 10. Valiant Lady, WBTV, M.-F. ..., 17.3

TOP SYNDICATED FILMS

- 1. Douglas Fairbanks Presents
- 2. Eddle Cantor (Ziv), WBTV,
- 3. †Turning Point (Gen'l Electric),
- 4. Big Playback (Screen Gems), WETV, W .- 10:00 14 5

DAYTON, O.

2 TV STATIONS-125,000 TV HOMES Population-526,000 (44th in U. S.) Buying Income-\$1,072,359,000 (34th)

Retail Sales—\$674,145,000 (39th) Food Sales—\$151,343,000 (38th) Drug Sales—\$21,540,000 (36th) Automotive-\$138,619,000 (35th) Above figures include following counties: Greene, Montgomery.

TOP NETWORK SHOWS

| 1. | \$64,000 Question, WHIO, T 39.8 |
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| | Climax, WHIO, Th |
| 3. | I've Gota Secret, WHIO, W 34.5 |
| 4. | G. E. Theater, WHIO, Su 34.3 |
| 5. | Phil Silvers, WHIO, T |
| 6. | Alfred Hitchcock, WHIO, Su 33.3 |
| 6. | Do You Trust Your Wife? |
| | WHIO, T |
| 8. | Spotlight Theater, WHIO, T 33.0 |
| | Gunsmoke, WHIO, S |
| 9, | Robert Cummings, WHIO, Th 32.8 |

TOP MULTI-WEEKLY SHOWS

| 1. | Front Page News (10 p.m.), WHIO, MF |
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| 2. | Mickey Mouse Club, WLW-D, MF |
| 3. | Little Rascals, WHIO, MTh 20.4 |
| | Theater Tonight, WHIO, M., Th |
| 5. | Promise Playhouse, WHIO, M., F |
| 6. | Reporter. Sports Desk (11 p.m.), WHIO, MF |
| 7. | Guiding Light, WHIO, MF 13.4 |
| 8, | Search for Tomorrow, WHIO, WHIO, MF |
| 9. | Love of Life, WHIO, MF 12.9 |
| | Valiant Lady, WHIO, MF 12.7 |

TOP SYNDICATED FILMS

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| 1. | Highway Patrol (Ziv), WHIO, T8:00 |
| 2. | Stories of the Century (Holly- wood), WHIO, S9:30 |
| 3. | Man Called X (Ziv), WHIO, F9:30 |
| | Amos 'n' Andy (CBS), WHIO, T10:30 |
| 5. | The Whistler (CBS), WHIO, S10:00 |
| 6. | Badge 714 (NBC), WHIO, S10:30 |
| 7. | Passport to Danger (ABC), WLW-D, Su9:30 |
| | Waterfront (MCA), WHIO, Th10:30 |
| 9. | Little Rascais (Interstate), WHIO. MTh6:00 |
| 10. | Gene Autry (CBS), WHIO, W6:30 |
| 11. | Jimmy Demaret (Cornell), WHIO, F10:1519.5 |
| | I Led Three Lives (Ziv), WLW-D, F8:3017.8 |
| 13. | Science Fiction Theater (Ziv), WLW-D, Su10:3011.5 |
| 14. | Celebrity Playhouse (Screen Gems), WLW-D, S11:1511.3 |
| | Wild Bill Hickok (Flamingo), WLW-D, S5:0011.3 |
| 16. | Candid Camera (Assoc. Art.), WHIO, T11:1510.5 |
| 16. | Mr. and Mrs. North (Schubert), WLW-D, S11:4510.5/ |
| 16. | Annie Oakley (CBS), WLW-D, T7:30 |
| 19. | Counterpoint (MCA), WHIO, S4:3010.3 |
| | City Detective (MCA), WHIO, M11:15 9.8 |
| | Superman (Flamingo), WLW-D, W7:00 9.5 |
| | I Am the Law (Sterling), WHIO, Th11:15 8.3 |
| | Ellery Queen (TPA), WHIO, Su11:15 8.3 |
| 24. | Kings Crossroads (Sterling), WHIO, MF4:00 7.5 . |
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MILWAUKEE

4 TV STATIONS-278,900 TV HOMES Population-965,700 (17th in U. S.) Buying Income-\$1,913,081,000 (16th)

Retail Sales—\$1,241,748,000 (17th) Food Sales—\$277,036,000 (17th) Drug Sales—\$35,952,000 (22d) Automotive-\$216,440,000 (20th) Above figures include following county: Milwaukee.

TOP NETWORK SHOWS

| 1. | \$64,000 Question, WXIX, T 30.0 |
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| 2. | Lux Video Theater, WTMJ, |
| 500 C | Th |
| 3. | \$64,000 Challenge, WXIX, Su 26.7 |
| 4. | Ed Sullivan, WXIX, Su 26.5 |
| 5. | R. Montgomery Summer |
| | Theater, WTMJ, M |
| | Medic, WTMJ, M |
| 7. | Best of Groucho, WTMJ, Th24.9 |
| 8. | Lawrence Welk, WISN, S24.6 |
| | Dragnet, WTMJ, Th |
| 10. | What's My Line? WXIX, Su 23.7 |
| | 10 E |

TOP MULTI-WEEKLY SHOWS

| 1. Mickey Mouse Club, WISN, |
|-----------------------------------|
| MF |
| 2. Sports Picture (6 p.m.), WTMJ, |
| MF |
| 3. News, Weather (6:15 p.m.), |
| WTMJ, MF |
| 4 News Misc. (10:45 p.m.), WTMJ, |
| MF |
| 5. Patti Page, WTMJ, W., F 10.2 |
| 6. Cartoons Carnival, WTMJ, M., |
| W., F 9.2 |
| 6. CBS News, WXIX, MF 9.2 |
| 8. News Caravan, WTMJ, MF 9.1 |
| 9. Foreman Tom, WTMJ, MF 9.0 |
| 10. 6 o'Clock Report, WXIX, |
| MF 8.5 |

TOP SYNDICATED FILMS

| 1. Dr. Hudson's Secret Journal | |
|--------------------------------|-----|
| (MCA), WTMJ, Th7:0020.5 | 5 |
| 2. Douvlas Fairbanks Presents | |
| (ABC), WTMJ, W8:30 | 1 |
| 2. I Led Three Lives (Ziv), | 1.2 |
| WTMJ, Su9:00 | |
| 4. The Whistler (CBS), WXIX, | |
| T10:00 | 1 |
| 5. City Detective (MCA), WXIX, | |
| W10:00 | £ |
| 6. Life of Riley (NBC), WXIX, | |
| Th7:00 | 6 |
| 6. Playhouse 15 (MCA), WTMJ, | 2 |
| Th10:00 | 0 |

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Home Theater," Monday-Friday, 9:30-11 p.m., more than 50 per cent. "Petrified Forest" on Monday doubled the audience of that time slot. "Lady With Red Hair" on Friday drew an 18.4 average, against a 5.8 for that slot in July.

WTVN's "Summer Playhouse," Saturday, 10-12 p.m., played "Action in the North Atlantic" with Humphrey Bogart and drew an average 12.6, against a 6.7 for that period in the July ARB report.

WMAR, Baltimore, has begun to play the David O. Selznick pictures during the summer. On Saturday, July 7, "The Paradine Case," starting at 10:30 p.m., ranged from a 28.5 to a 22.9 ARB. In June that time period, also playing a feature, ranged from 12.2 to 18.9.

KFJZ, Fort Worth, has started to play Selznick pictures on its "Million Dollar Movie," which plays one film Monday-Wednesday and another Thursday-Saturday, 7:30-9 p.m. The station reports that "Notorious" had the highest rating in the four-station market in every quarter hour it played. "Farmer's Daughter," according to KFJZ, had the highest rating in two quarter hours and was a close second in all other segments.

KJEO, Fresno, Calif., drew a 25.6 ARB with "The Farmer's Daughter." The next best rating Movies; Total 24 opposite it was 16.3 for "Badge 714" and the next was 8.3.

'Big Top' Stet For Saturdays

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NEW YORK-"Big Top" will stay where it is on CBS-TV, Saturdays, 12-1 p.m., after a reported switch to Sundays. Its sponsor, Sealtest, Inc., was considering a 7 p.m. UPA Pictures cartoon show and wanted to avoid a double entry on Saturdays.

Now that plans for the latter remain undisturbed.

| | WBIV, W10:00 | 9. Lit |
|-------|---|----------------|
| 5. | †Death Valley Days (Pacific Borax), WBTV, T7:00 | 10. Jud WT |
| 6. | I Led Three Lives (Ziv), WBTV, | 11. Wi WE |
| | Th7:00 | 12. Inn M |
| 1. | Science Fiction Theater (Ziv), WBTV, Su6:00 | 13. Vic T9 |
| 8. | Superman (Flamingo), WBTV, | 14. Bas (Fl |
| | T5:30 | 15. Cha me |
| 9. | Candid Camera (Assoc. Art.), WBTV, Th10:00 | 16. Ro (M |
| 10. | †Sky King (Nabisco), WBTV, | 17. Rai F6 |
| | M5:00 | 17. Loc Su. |
| 11. | Wild Bill Hickok (Flamingo), WBTV, W5:3025.8 | 19. I L WL |
| 17 | Looney Tunes (Guild), WBTV. | 20. An Th. |
| | M., T., Th., F5:00 | 20. Con WE |
| 13. | Highway Patrol (Ziv), WBTV, F10:30 | 20. †Tu WE |
| 1.211 | | 23. Jun WE |
| 14, | Hopalong Cassidy (NBC), WBTV, W5:0022.3 | 24. Lib Su. |
| 15. | Rosemary Clooney (MCA), | 25. Dai WT |
| | WBTV, Su10:4519.0 | 25. Cis F7 |
| 16. | Looney Tunes (Guild), WBTV, S10:00 a.m | 27. My WE |
| 17. | Life With Elizabeth (Guild), | 28. The W |
| | WBTV, Th2:00 9.3 | 28. She (Al |
| 18. | Texas Rasslin' (Tex. Rasslin', Inc.), WBTV, T11:30 8.0 | 28. Sto woo |

Standard Acquires **Rights to 2 More**

sion has just acquired two recent of feature films. It bought the pictures. Bob Berger, head of "Hollywood Movie Parade" pack-Standard, closed the deal for their age from Screen Gems for spon-TV rights last week.

Nader and Amanda Blake. Both are costume pieces in color. Both were released by 20th Century-Fox, in 1952 and 1954, respectively.

The latest additions give him a World."

| ۰. | Studio ST (MCA), WLW-C, |
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| • | M9:30 |
| | Little Rascals (Interstate), |
| 10. | WBNS, MF4:15 |
| | WIVN, Su5:00 14.5 |
| 11. | Wild Bill Hickok (Flamingo) |
| | WBNS, T6:00 |
| 12. | inner Sanctum (NBC), WTVN, |
| 13. | M8:00 |
| | 19:00 |
| 14. | Baseball Hall of Fame |
| | (Flamingo), WBNS, S1:00 12 3 |
| 15. | Championship Bowling (Schwim- |
| | |
| 16. | Rocky Jones, Space Ranger |
| | (MCA), WIVN, W-6:00 118 |
| | Range Rider (CBS), WTVN, |
| 17 | F6:00 |
| | Su5:30 |
| 19. | I Led Three Lives (Ziv), |
| | WLW-C. F8:30 |
| 20. | Annie Oakley (CBS), WBNS, |
| | Th6:00 10.5 |
| 20. | Count of Monte Cristo (TPA). |
| | WBNS, Su5:30 |
| 20, | †Turning Point (Gen'l Electric), |
| 12 | WBNS, F10:1510.5 |
| ω. | WENC M (oreen Gems), |
| 24 | WBNS, P10:15 |
| 10.5 | Su3:30 9.9 |
| 25. | Dangerous Assignment (NBC). |
| | WTVN. S6:00 |
| 25. | Cisco Kid (Ziv), WLW-C. |
| 1 | F7:00 9.5 |
| 11. | My Little Margie (Official), |
| | WBNS, MF11:00 a.m 8.8 The Visitor (NBC), WTVN, |
| | W8:00 8.5 |
| 28. | Sheena, Queen of the Jungle |
| 2010 | (ABC), WTVN, Th6:00, 8.5 |
| 28. | (ABC), WTVN, Th6:00 8.5 Stories of the Century (Holly- |
| | |

wood), WBNS, F.-6:00 8.5

Schlitz Puts Pix on WXIX MILWAUKEE --- Schlitz Beer

NEW YORK--Standard Televi- may be expanding its sponsorship sorship on WXIX here. It is un-The two new pictures are "Lady derstood this will not interfere with in the Iron Mask" with Louis Hay- its continued sponsorship of feaward and Patricia Medina, and tures on WTMJ, on which it has "Miss Robin Crusoe" with George been getting high ratings for years. Further, it -is reported that Schlitz may launch a heavy ride or features in many markets outside Milwaukee.

The last picture Berger acquired catalog of 24 pictures. Some of for TV was "Nights in Casablanca" the other titles in his catalog are with the Marx Brothers. He got "So Ends Our Night," "The Moon have been dropped, "Big Top" will that in the beginning of this year. and Sixpence" and "Tomorrow the

- 8. Douglas Fairbanks Presents 9 . Mr. and Mrs. North (Schubert), 10. Annie Oakley (CBS), WTMJ, 10. †Turning Point (Gen'l Electric), 12. Waterfront (MCA), WXIX, 13. Cisco Kid (Ziv), WISN, W.-6:0011.9 14. Stories of the Century (Hollywood), WXIX, F.-10:00ull.4 15. Boston Blackie (Ziv), WISN, 15. Championship Bowling (Schwim-19. Crunch and Des (NBC), WTMJ, W -9:3010.5 19. Dangerous Assignment (NBC), WXIX, F.-10:30u10.5 21. My Hero (Official), WXIX, W.-6:30u10.2 21. †Patti Page (Oldsmobile), WTMJ, W., F.-10:0010.2 23. Count of Monte Cristo (TPA). WXIX, M.-10:30 9.5 23. Your All Star Theater (Screen Gems), WXIX, Th.-8:30 u 9.5 25. Mr. District Attorney (Ziv), WTMJ, S.-11:00 9.4 26. Looney Tunes (Guild), WTMJ, WTMJ, F.-10:30 8.9 28. Cowboy G-Men (Flamingo). WISN, S.-5:30 29. Looney Tunes (Guild), WTMJ,
 - S.-1:15 7.7

1956 FEATURE TALLY-2,579 NEW YORK --- The 766

25. Crunch and Des (NBC),

feature films that have gone into active TV distribution in the past two weeks raises the total number of pictures put into TV since January 1 to 2,579.

WLW-D, Th.-7:30 5.8

It raises the all-time "movies into TV" total to abcut 7,300.

The past two weeks have seen the start of sales on M-G-M's 725, United Artists' 39 and Standard's two. The potential entry of the 20th Century-Fox library and the Goldwyn package could raise the 1956 total to over 3,300.

CBS Picks Up 50% of 'Bride'

HOLLYWOOD --- CBS-TV last week acquired the 50 per cent interest in "December Bride" held by Parke Levy, the show's creator, producer, and head writer. Price paid was \$500,00, tho it's understood there is an escalator clause under which the total could go higher. Payments are to be made over a 15-year period.

Levy will continue in his present position. The deal resembles that under which MCA bought out Jack Webb several years ago, with Webb continuing to produce the "Dragnet" series.



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.

MINNEAPOLIS-ST. PAUL

4 TV STATIONS-362,300 TV HOMES Population-1,247,600 (13th in U. S.) Buying Income-\$2,361,663,000 (12th)

Retail Sales-\$1,657,379,000 (13th) Food Sales-\$337,686,000 (14th) Drug Sales-\$54,010,000 (14th) Automotive-\$290,446,000 (13th) Above figures include following counties: Anoka, Dakota, Hennepin and Ram-

sey, Minn,

TOP NETWORK SHOWS

| 1. Ed Sullivan, WCCO, Su 39.1 |
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| 2. \$64,000 Question, WCCO, T 37.0 |
| 3. \$64,000 Challenge, WCCO, Su27.2 |
| 4. Jackie Gleason, WCCO, S23.7 |
| 5. Godfrey and His Friends, |
| WCCO, W |
| 6. Dragnet, KSTP, Th |
| 7. Best of Groucho, KSTP, Th 22.0 |
| 7. Phil Silvers, WCCO, T |
| 9. Godfrey's Talent Scouts, WCCO, |
| M |
| 10. Alfred Mitchcock, WCCO, Su 21.4 |

TOP MULTI-WEEKLY SHOWS

| 1. | Today's Headline (10 p.m.), |
|-----|--------------------------------|
| | KSTP, MF |
| 2. | Weather, Sports (10:15 p.m.), |
| | KSTP, MF |
| 3. | Mickey Mouse Club, WTCN, |
| | MF |
| 4. | News, Weather (10:30 p.m.), |
| | WCCO, MF |
| 5. | CBS News, WCCO, MF 10.9 |
| 6. | C. Adams, Sports (6 p.m.), |
| | WCCO, MF10.7 |
| 7. | Weather, News, Misc. (6 p.m.), |
| | WTCN, MF 9.8 |
| 8. | Art Linkletter, WCCO, MF 9.4 |
| 9. | News-John Daly (6:15 p.m.), |
| | WTCN, MF 9.3 |
| 10. | Arthur Godfrey, WCCO, M |
| | Th 8.8 |
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- IUP STRUICATED FILMS 1. I Search for Adventure (Bag-
- nall), WCCO, T.-8:3022.0 2. †Turning Point (Gen'l Electric),
- 3. Life of Riley (NBC), KSTP,
- 4. Rosemary Clooney (MCA),
- WCCO, M.-9:0019.4
- 5. Famous Fights (Winik), KSTP,
- .6. Man Behind the Badge (MCA), KSTP, F.-9:3017.0
- 7. Highway Patrol (Ziv), WCCO,

THE BILLBOARD

SAN DIEGO

3 TV STATIONS-227,500 TV HOMES

Buying Income-\$1,551,950,000

Retail Sales-\$882,813,000 (26th)

Food Sales-\$199,602,000 (25th)

Automotive-\$182,503,000 (25th)

Above figures include following county:

TOP NETWORK SHOWS

Drug Sales-\$26,708,000 (29th)

(20th)

San Diego.

Population-826,200 (19th in U. S.)

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

PHILADELPHIA

4 TV STATIONS-1,124,300 TV HOMES

Buying Income-\$7,695,112,000

Retail Sales-\$4,628,585,000 (5th) Food Sales-\$1,032,686,000 (5th)

Drug Sales-\$130,616,000 (5th)

Automotive-\$795,007,000 (5th)

ery, Philadelphia, Pa.

Above figures include following counties:

TOP NETWORK SHOWS

1. \$64,000 Challenge, WCAU, Su. .35.9

2. \$64,000 Question, WCAU, T. ...33.0

3. What's My Line? WCAU, Su. .. 30.5

5. Ed Sullivan, WCAU, Su.24.5

7. Alfred Hitchcock, WCAU, Su. . . 22.7

8. Life of Riley, WRCV, F. 22.5

9. Vic Damone, WCAU, M.22.3

10. Steve Allen, WRCV, Su.21.8

TOP MULTI-WEEKLY SHOWS

WCAU, M.-F.12.6

8. Fun House, WRCV, M.-F. 10.2

TOP SYNDICATED FILMS

M.-7:0012.5

WRCV, W.-10:30 11.5

6. Wild Bill Hickok (Flamingo),

1. Big Playback (Screen Gems),

2. Waterfront (MCA), WCAU,

4. San Francisco Beat (CSB),

3. Superman (Flamingo), WCAU,

5. Crunch and Des (NBC), WCAU,

6. †Turning Point (Gen'l Electric),

5. Lux Video Theater, WRCV,

1. News, Weather (11 p.m.),

2. Mickey Mouse Club, WFIL,

7. Arthur Godfrey, WCAU,

9. Sports, Misc. (11:15 p.m.),

Burlington, Camden, Gloucester, N. J.;

Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgom-

(4th)

Population-4,076,300 (4th in U. S.)

The symbol † 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.

SEATTLE-TACOMA

4 TV STATIONS-302,600 TV HOMES Population-777,800 (24th in U. S.) Buying Income-\$1,628,460,000 (19th) Retail Sales-\$1,071,272,000 (22d) Food Sales-\$219,877,000 (22d) Drug Sales-\$32,967,000 (24th) Automotive-\$165,873,000 (27th) Above market statistics are for Seattle only and include following county: King.

TOP NETWORK SHOWS

| 1. | Lawrence Welk, KING S 23.8 |
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| 2. | Ed Sullivan, KTNT, Su 22.8 |
| 2. | \$64,000 Question, KTNT, T 22.8 |
| 4. | \$64,000 Challenge, KTNT, Su 22.2 |
| | Best of Groucho, KOMO, Th 21.6 |
| 5. | Medic, KOMO, M |
| 7. | Alfred Hitchcock, KTNT, Su 21.4 |
| 8. | Disneyland, KING, W21.2 |
| 9. | Dragnet, KOMO, Th |
| 10, | Warner Brothers, KING, T 20.7 |

TOP MULTI-WEEKLY SHOWS

- 1. Mickey Mouse Club, KING, 2. Early Edition (6:30 p.m.),
- KING, M.-F.14.8 3. Famous Playhouse, KTNT, W.,
- 4. World Today (10:30 p.m.),
- 5. Sheriff Tex, KING, M.-F. 10.9 6. Weather. Big News (9:30 p.m.),
- KTNT, M.-F.10.5 7. Stan Boreson, KING, M.-F. .. 9.7
- 8. Late Show, KTNT, M.-F. 8.7 9. News Caravan, Misc., KOMO,
- M.-F. 8.5 10. Channel 5 Playhouse, KING,
 - M.-F. 8.3

TOP SYNDICATED FILMS

- 1. Badge 714 (NBC), KING,
- 2. City Detective (MCA), KING,
- 3. Steve Donovan, Western Mar-
- shal (NBC), KING, W.-7:00 ...19.4 4. †Death Valley Days (Pacific
- 5. I Search for Adventure (Bag-
- 5. Code 3 (ABC), KING, F.-10:00 18.7
- 7. I Led Three Lives (Ziv), KTNT,
- 8. Celebrity Playhouse (Screen
- 9. Confidential File (Guild),

FACE-LIFT **Camera Adds Dimension** to Como's Show

NEW YORK--- A new hydraulic camera installed at the Ziegfeld Theater will give the Perry Como show added scope and movement, according to Bob Finkel, its new producer. The camera which is locked on the balcony of the theater moves vertically, horizontally and even diagonally about 20 feet in all directions.

It should give the viewer an added dimension of movement especially in dance numbers and those calling for action, according to Finkel. The Como show will also add to its chorus. Being blueprinted for the Saturday night NBC-TV stanza are several remotes, one of which may originate from Milwaukee during the World Series, if the Braves win the National League pennant.



HOLLYWOOD --- One of the hottest feuds in recent TV annuals appears to be brewing between the Writers' Guild of America and NBC "Matinee Theater" producer Albert McCleery. The WGA, issuing its blast over the weekend, said that "... Cramming of hundreds, if not thousands, of scripts a year thru a single set of brains . . . can lead to the worst desecration of the art of drama in the history of entertain.nent."

TV PROGRAM RATINGS

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1. \$64,000 Question, WFMB, T. .. 39.0 Ed Sullivan, KFMB, Su.37.9 3. What's My Line? KFMB, Su. .. 37.5 2. 2 4. Alfred Hitchcock, KFMB, Su. ...35.2 5. G. E. Theater, KFMB, Su. 34.0 6. Boxing, KFBM, W.29.9 5.

7. Private Secretary, KFMB, Su. .. 28.5 9. Burns and Allen, KFMB, M. .. 26.0 10. Jackie Gleason, KFMB, S.25.7

TOP MULTI-WEEKLY SHOWS

- 2. News (7:30 p.m.), KFMB, M.,
- 3. Newsreel, Wea., News (7:45 p.m.),
- 4. Mickey Mouse Club, KFMB,
- 5. News Caravan, KFSD, M.-F. .. 11.7

- 10. Art Linkletter, KFMB, M.-F. ... 8.9

- M.-7:00 19.4
- 2. Crunch and Des (NBC), KFSD,
- 4. Badge 714 (NBC), KFMB,
- 5. The Unexpected (Ziv), KFSD,
- 6. Annie Oakley (CBS), KFMB,
- 6. Dr. Hudson's Secret Journal
- (MCA), KFMB, Th.-7:0014.7 6. Highway Patrol (Ziv), XETV,

3. Search for Tomorrow, WCAU, 5. Guiding Light, WCAU, M.-F. ...11.7 6. Valiant Lady, WCAU, M.-F. ..11.4

10. Bob Crosby, KFMB, M.-F. 8.9

1. People in the News (7:30 p.m.),

- 6. Sheena, Queen of the Jungle,
- KFSD, T., Th.11.1
- 7. Johnny Jet, XETV, M.-F.11.0 8. Queen for a Day, KFSD,
- 9. News (6:45 p.m.), XETV,

TOP SYNDICATED FILMS

1. Superman - (Flamingo), KFMB,

- 2. Code 3 (ABC), KFMB, W.-9:30.17.7

S.-9:3016.9

- S.-10:00 16.2

WCAU, S.-10:3010.4 8. †Sky King (Nablsco), WCAU, 8. I Led Three Lives (Ziv), KSTP, W.-8:3015.5 10. Little Rascals (Interstate), 9. Wild Bill Hickok (Flamingo), WCCO, S.-6:0014.4 10. Dr. Hudson's Secret Journal (MCA), WCCO, Th.-7:0013.2 11. Celebrity Playhouse (Screen Gems), KSTP, Su.-8:3012.5 12. Championship Bowling (Schwimmer), WCCO, Su.-1:0011.9 13. City Detective (MCA), KSTP, WCCO, S.-10:00 a.m.11.5 15. Ramar of the Jungle (TPA), WCCO, S.-5:0011.4 16. Badge 714 (NBC), KSTP, T.-10:3011.2 16. Amos 'n' Andy (CBS), WCCO, 16. Annie Oakley (CBS), WCCO, Inc.), KEYD, W.-9:0011.1 20. Mr. District Attorney (Ziv), W.-6:3010.4 22. Looney Tunes (Guild), WCCO, S.-9:00 a.m.10.2 22. Cisco Kid (Ziv), WCCO, S.-10:30 a.m.10.2 24. Greatest Fights of the Century Baum), KEYD, Th.-8:4510.0 25. Hopalong Cassidy (NBC), WCCO, Su.-10:30 a.m. 9.9 26. Federal Men (MCA), KSTP, M.-10:30 9.7 27. Studio 57 (MCA), KSTP, W.-9:30 9.5

- 28. The Whistler (CBS), KSTP, F.-10:30 9.4
- S.-5:30 9.9 12. Great Gildersleeve (NBC), . W.-7:00 9.5 14. Victory at Sea (NBC), WCAU, Su.-4:00 9.2 15. Passport to Danger (ABC), 15. I Led Three Lives (Ziv), WCAU, Th.-7:00 9.0 17. City Detective (MCA), WRCV, M.-10:30 8.2 17. Looney Tunes (Guild), WRCV, S.-11:00 a.m. 8.2 Confidential File (Guild), WRCV, S.-11:00 7.9 20. Little Rascals (Interstate), WCAU, S.-6:00 7.4 22. Greatest Sports Thrills (Winik), WFIL, Th.-9:30 6.5 23. Susie (TPA), WCAU, M.-F.-6:00 6.1 24. My Little Margie (Official), WRCV, M.-F.-5:30 5.5 25. My Hero (Official), WCAU, T., Th.-3:00 5.4 26. Dateline Europe (Official), WCAU, 5.-3:30 4.9 26. My Little Margie (Official),
 - WRCV, 5.-5:30 4.9 26. Range Rider (CBS), WFIL, Su.-6:30 4.9 29. †Death Valley Days (Pacific
 - Borax), WFIL, S.-6:30..... 4.7

- 9. Wild Bill Hickok (Flamingo),
- KFMB, T.-6:0014.2 9. Celebrity Playhouse (Screen
- Gems), KFSD, F.-10:0014.2 11. Ray Milland Show (MCA),
- KFSD, Su.-10:3014.0 12. Man Called X (Ziv), KFMB,
- KFMB, F.-8:0013.5 14. Cisco Kid (Ziv), XETV,
- M.-7:30&13.4 15. I Led Three Lives (Ziv), XETV,
- F.-8:30&13.2 16. Douglas Fairbanks Presents
- (ABC), KFMB, M.-10:0013.0 17. Susie (TPA), KFSD, M.-10:30. . 12.7 17. Confidential File (Guild),
- KFSD, W.-10:3012.7 19. Ray Milland Show (MCA),
- XETV, M.-8:30&11.9
- 20. Steve Donovan, Western Marshal (NBC), KFMB, W.-6:30...11.9
- 22. †Sky King (Nabisco), KFMB,
- F.-7:00&11.7 24. Sheena, Queen of the Jungle
- (ABC), KFSD, T., Th.-6:00....11.1 25. San Francisco Beat (CBS),
- KFSD, Th.-7:0010.9 25. Rocky Jones, Space Ranger
- (MCA), XETV, Th.-7:30&10.9 25. Count of Monte Cristo (TPA),
- KFSD, F.-6:3010.9 28. I Search for Adventure (Bag-
- nall), XETV, Th.-7:00&10.7 29. The Whistler (CBS), XETV,
- F.-9:30&10.5 30. Jungle Jim (Screen Gems),
- KFSD, M.-6:00 10.2

- 10. Life of Riley (NBC), KING,
- Th.-8:3017.1 10. Mr. District Attorney (Ziv),
- KING, F.-9:0017.1 12, Highway Patrol (Ziv), KOMO,

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- 17. Man Called X (Ziv), KING,
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- F.-7:0014.8 19. Annie Oakley (CBS), KING,
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 - KING, M.-F.-4:00 9.7

 WGA membership was incensed over a recent McCleery statement about writers in a national magazine. Apparently, however, the controversy goes deeper than this.

David Dortort, president of the TV branch of the Guild, asserts that some months ago McCleery called in a group of writers for a conterence, then proceeded to lambast them about their trade. The writers apparently have been smoldering ever since.

McCleery, on his way back to Hollywood following a two-week tour of Army duty, was unavailable for comment.

Ethyl Corporation Mulls Hunt for New Agency

NEW YORK-The Ethyl Coporation is said to be looking for a new agency. It's current agency is Batten, Barton, Durstine & Osborn. The advertiser sponsored Screen Gems' "The Big Playback" in 60 markets several years ago.

RKO SELLER

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McLaglen In Triangle

NEW YORK-A new exploitation fillip has been added by the Triangle stations. They will use Academy Award winning Victor McLaglen to ballyhoo their new package, the RKO Library, which their Philadelphia station will present as the "Movietime U.S.A." series.

vertisers at a cocktail party.

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ARB Audience Composition Studies

Web Situation Comedy Shows

JULY RATINGS

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Films to Watch

STU ERWIN SHOW–Official Films

Official has a drive on now to make this comedy series the worthy heir to the "nighttime in the daytime" success of "My Little Margie." Already it is playing numerous markets as a daytime strip, but not nearly as many as "Margie." It is interesting to compare these two series in the Pulse run-down of syndicated comedies in this week's "Scoreboard." "Margie" is the sixth ranking comedy nation-wide, "Erwin" is 10th. "Margie" has the top number of viewers per set, "Erwin" is eighth. "Margie" has the greatest proportion of men, "Erwin" is fifth. "Margie" has the greatest proportion of women, "Erwin" is eighth.

Web Winners

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ARB Top Shows Among Women

How Network Shows Rated

Among Women in July

This weekly audience composition analysis shows the relative popularity of network series regardless of program type, by number of viewers attracted according to sex or age. On consecutive weeks, this chart shows popularity among men, women and children. For additional information on audience size or coverage, please consult ARB, National Press Building, Washington 4.

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| | Frigidaire (C | CBS) 1.1 | 8 | 31.0 | |
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| 6. Charlie Farrell P&G, Genl. Foods (CBS) | | viewers, or more than half of the | 18 Alcoa Hour, Alcoa (NBC) 1.15 | 13.6 |
| 7. Our Miss Brooks | 7. Charlie Farrell | total audience for its time slot | 18 This Is Your Life, Hazel Bishop, P&G | |
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| 8. Burns & Allen | 7. Honeymooners | the schedule of second runs of | 18 Arthur Murray Party, Toni, Hazel Bishop | |
| Goodrich, Genl. Mills, Carnation | Buick (CBS) | films seen earlier in the season. | (CBS) 1.15 | . 19.7 |
| (CBS) | 9. Private Secretary | Now ranking as the No. 1 dra- | 18 Ozark Jubilee, Antell, Amer. Home (ABC). 1.15 | 9.6 |
| 9. Bob Cummings R. J. Reynolds, Colgate (CBS) | Amer. Tobacco (CBS) | matic show, the series will go | 24 *The Millionaire, Colgate (CBS) 1.14 | 23.7 |
| 9. Topper | Goodrich, Genl. Mills, Carnation | all film this fall as it enters its | 24 Steve Allen, Avco, Jergens, Brown & Wil- | |
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The Pulse Audience Composition Studies

Syndicated Film Comedy Shows

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JUNE RATINGS

Show & Distrib. Rank

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2. Phil Silvers

3. Dear Phoebe

4. Life of Riley

4. Private Secretary

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| 2. | Amos 'n' Andy (CBS) | 14.2 |
| 3. | Great Gildersleeve (NBC) | 11.9 |
| 4. | Life With Elizabeth (Guild). | 11.2 |
| 5. | Laurel and Hardy (Governor) | 9.8 |
| 6. | My Little Margie (Official) | 9.0 |
| 7. | Susie (TPA) | 6.5 |
| 8. | Abbott and Costello (MCA) | 5.3 |
| 9. | My Hero (Official) | 5.2 |
| 10. | Stu Erwin Show (Official) | 4.9 |
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| 4. | Amos 'n' Andy (CBS) | 208 | 3. Be | eulah (Flamingo) | 85 |
| 5. | Laurel & Hardy (Governe | or). 204 | 3. G | reat Gildersleeve | (NBC) 85 |
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| | Laurel & Hardy (Governor) | |
| 3. | The Ruggles (Corradine) | 88 |
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| 8. | My Little Margie (Official) | 21 |
| | Stu Erwin Show (Official) | |
| | Beulah (Flamingo) | |
| 10. | Susie (TPA) | 17 |

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How Non-Net Films Rated

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Among Women in June

This weekly audience composition analysis shows the relative popularity of non-network film series by number of viewers attracted according to sex or age. On consecutive weeks this chart shows popularity among men, women, teen-agers and children. For additional information on audience size or coverage, please consult The Pulse, Inc., 15 West 46th Street, N. Y. C.

| Rank Order | Title and Distributor | Women Per 100 Homes | Avg. June Rig. |
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| 1 | . Bulova Show Time (Bulova) | 94 | 7.1 |
| 2 | . Dangerous Assignment (NBC) | 94 | 6.6 |
| 2 | .Liberace (Guild) | 94 | 7.3 |
| 4 | .Celebrity Playhouse (Screen Gems) | 93 | 17.1 |
| 4 | .Public Defender (Interstate) | 93 | 9.0 |
| 6 | . Doug. Fairbanks Presents (ABC) | 92 | 11.3 |
| 6 | .Foreign Intrigue (Official) | 92 | 6.7 |
| 6 | .Crosscurrent (Official) | 92 | 11.9 |
| 9 | . Man Called X (Ziv). | 91 | 12.6 |
| 9 | .The Whistler (CBS) | 91 | 5.6 |
| 11 | . Confidential File (Guild) | 89 | 13.0 |
| 12 | .Ellery Queen (TPA) | 88 | 6.0 |
| 12 | .Follow That Man (MCA) | 88 | 11.0 |
| 12 | Guy Lombardo (MCA) | 88 | 7.6 |
| 12 | . Mobil Theater (Socony-Mobil) | 88 | 10.5 |
| 12 | . Mr. & Mrs. North (Schubert) | 88 | 6.2 |
| 12 | . My Little Margie (Official) | 88 | 9.0 |
| 18 | . Candid Camera (Assoc. Artists) | 87 | 2.5 |
| 18 | .Gangbusters (General Teleradio) | 87 | 5.9 |
| 18 | .Life With Elizabeth (Guild) | 87 | 11.2 |
| 18 | . Mr. District Attorney (Ziv) | 87 | 16.2 |
| 18 | .The Unexpected (Ziv) | 87 | 11.1 |
| 18 | .City Detective (MCA) | 87 | 9.5 |
| 24 | .Big Playback (Screen Gems) | 86 | 7.2 |
| 24 | .I Led Three Lives (Ziv) | 86 | 12.6 |
| | .San Francisco Beat (CBS) | | 11.1 |
| 24 | .The Playhouse (ABC) | 86 | 6.4 |
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Politico, TV Wedding **Headed for Rocks?**

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and fast script with no deviations zens tied in to a speaker's home permitted-not even for one Joe State. Smith.

To Delegates

Perhaps in 1960 the conventions will be given back to the delegates, who can again gather happily in their snioke-filled rooms, safe from the prying eye of the cameras at least part of the time. In this case, only key sessions will be picked up for TV at the discretion of the networks involved, and not of the party being covered, as Democratic, Chairman Paul Butler would have it.

On the other hand, suppose their successors, should move even tional chairman. more actively (if possible) in the staging of these sessions? What can we expect in 1960?

We already have seen the schedules and the speeches and even the choice of speakers at the conventions tailored to the fact that the cameras are working. The GOP cut many speeches down in length. The Democrats added visual aids in the form of a documentary film. Scenery and lighting already play a key role in the staging of the sessions. Make-up and hairpieces are used by some speakers. Key orators have gone thru long sessions of coaching in stage movement, including waving, bowing, smiling, quieting crowds and shaking hands warmly. What still remains to be done?

2) Each session to include several cuddly children, a line of girls and a few pets, known to be surefire devices on any stage. The Democrats already used a couple of kids from the better-known video quiz shows this year.

3) Local merchants to display entertainment posters listing stars and credits for the show.

4) Convention business to be divided into segments corresponding with acts and scenes, each having the dramatic elements of exposition, climax and suspense, with the Batten, Barton, Durstine & Osborn script the joint work of producer, or Norman, Craig & Kummel, or director, network advisor and na-

Solo Poll

5) Public opinion polls to predetermine on the basis of popularity which officials and performers should be allotted solos. Runners-up sought by the networks in rival bids for high ratings.

6) Manufacturers to donate products for live or screen credit, much as a Broadway play uses them in return for program credit. The makers of the electric organs used at both conventions this year were duly acknowledged before the entire nation.

7) Secondary rights, such as re-

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1 Spy (TV Film)

(KRCA, 9-9:30 p.m. PDT, August 21. Caught Again.)

An intriguing story presented in spotty fashion. This is probably as good summation as any of the Nathan Hale tale on the Guild Films' "I Spy" series.

Hale, as portrayed by Bill Berger, comes thru in warm and human fashion, but in the characterization he was an incredible stumblebum as a spy. His one accomplishment seems to have been to have a British officer keep him as a sort of pet, a "jumping bean" on which he could make money wagering.

Far too much time is devoted to this episode, with the result that Hale's subsequent attempt to return to the American lines, with its several captures and escapes, takes on the jumpy qualities of an old silent movie. Cutting, especially, was not up to par, with production on outdoor shots mediocre at best. Bob Spielman.

Tonight (Net)

NBC-TV, Monday (20), 11:30-1 a.m., EDT (Caught again).

week in the emsee spotlight on "Tonight." Beginning with the premise that Vallee is no comic, he did very well. In the comedy department it was a fumbling performance. Either his humor was too intellectual or too corny. Sadly, the corny bits were more successful with the studio audience.

Vallee appearance was unsuccess- it all. ful, it isn't true. Vallee possesses Other guests included Eddie Les Elgart's band makes fine singing was a definite asset, too. utes, tho short on the rib-tickling. Doren was there, too. Dennis McDonald.

SYND. REVIEW 'Blondie' Should Enjoy **A Happy Year Ahead**

By BOB SPIELMAN

Cast: Arthur Lake, Pamela Britton, Hal Peary, Florenz Ames. Written by John L. Greene, Directed by Hal Yates. Created by Chic Young. Executive producer, Hal Roach Jr. Reviewed at special screening. Running time, half hour.)

Producer Hal Roach Ir.'s transference of the comic strip, "Blondie," to the TV screen has come off remarkably well, considerably better in fact that the effort in fea-

The Steve Allen Show (Net)

(Caught again).

The Steve Allen Show, counting heavily on Frank Sinatra's appearance, was left in a rather weaksuffered an attack of larvngitis. Rudy Vallee held forth last Allen, in a frank pitch to the TV audience, explained that they die herself could stand strengthenwould have to "wing" it and hope ing. for the best. The spot with Sinatra included a rather stilted interview about his new picture and the spinning of one of his recordings, with Allen providing the comic mime. It was a tough spot to be in, and Allen must be commended If the above implies that the for his outward good grace about

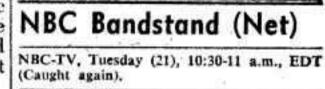
reason is that, at least in the episode reviewed, it had remarkable snap and didn't depend in dialog to create its humor.

Whereas live characterization of a comic strip creates considerable difficulties, a program based on a strip does have the advantage of an audience presold on certain running gags. "Blondie" makes good use of this factor. There's the postman who never manages to ring twice, the terrible tempered Mr. ture pix did. Perhaps the primary Dithers, the hordes of kids and, of course, the dogs.

Combining the children and the dogs, there is much pattering of little feet, and the pups are by far more lovable. Among other things, they all come out of the wash, after being shampooed thoroly.

Among the permanent members of the cast Arthur Lake as "Dagwood" and Hal Peary as the neighened state when its top star bor seem to have caught the spirit of things best. Both the characterizations of Mr. Dithers and Blon-

> Generally it looks like a happy year ahead for the Bumstead family, if not the postman.



NBC-TV, Sunday (19), 8-9 p.m., EDI

Spec Treatment

If one were able to peer into a crystal ball and view what the 1960 conventions might be like if today's trend were carried just a few steps farther, he just possibly might see the following developments:

1) Scenery and lighting as complex as a Ziegfeld revue, probably relying heavily on rear projection. Footage of natural wonders, national events and prominent citi-

Renaissance on TV (Local)

Cast: Dr. Frank Baxter. Director, Alex Runciman. Producer, Bill Whitley. (WC8S-TV, New York, 4-4:30 p.m., EDT August 19.)

During a breather in the production of Dr. Frank Baxter's "Shakespeare on TV," WCBS-TV, New York, has picked up the kines of Baxter's new "Renaissance on TV," which was also produced by its sister station, KNXT, Los Angeles. The stark classroom setting of the Shakespeare show is here replaced by a smart-looking library. In subsequent stanzas Baxter will interview guest experts. But on the preem he carried the ball solo again with a background talk on the Middle Ages.

Rarely these days is a TV show so dependent on a single personality. Baxter, of course, is the common man's intellectual and the darling of highbrow TV. He spouts erudition with healthy relish and good humor, and without any airs. But with so plain a format even Gypsy Rose Lee can become tedious.

awarded and highly praised. But groom who is about to go overseas when it comes to low budget educational TV, WCBS' own "Camera afraid to marry the gal before sioners. Knox plays the embittered pressive portrait to the Hitchcock Three," with its fluidity, variety going off to war. Michael Duane Grimm, who goes back to his Pol- gallery and gives the picture its and imaginativeness, is much more plays Lewis as a young man, and ish village to wreak vengence on lightest and amusing touches. All keted in five geographic blocks, exciting to watch and hear.

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runs, souvenir programs, record albums, books and merchandising items, used to add revenue to the 'networks and the campaign funds.

8) The new look to force political elders to withhold the names of favored candidates, not excepting an incumbent president, in order to provide needed surprise and suspense.

The influx of show business personalities can likewise lead to more serious consideration of non-politicos as holders of public office. Under proper guidance there is no reason why Marlon Brando or Elvis Presley couldn't become a Senator, for example. Easy to elect and easy to guide, such popular stars seem like good bets to many party men.

Besides, Liberace has become mayor of Sherman Oaks, Calif., which may have broken the ice.

But should all this come about, would it be in the real interest of the nation?

Alcoa Hour (Net)

NBC-TV, Sunday (19), 9-10 p.m., EDT (Caught again).

David Karp's "The Big Vote" had the virtue of timeliness. What could be more absorbing during the week of the national conventions than a drama about grass mary, did a broad caricature that another medium that did the same roots politics? "Big Vote" was no failed to make this vital character thing. "All the King's Men," but it made likable or believable. And the a valid observation and told an same was true of the rest of the interesting yarn.

The trouble was it had only one

a quiet charm and an easy manner Lawrence, who supplied the fun- music, Bert Parks makes a good which demands attention. His niest bit with a comedy monolog emsee and even Dick Haymes, called "Never Give Up"; Victor somewhat trimmed down and re-Assembled with Vallee was a Riesel, who reconstructed the acidroster of top entertainers, including hurling tragedy; Julius La Rosa, Kenny Delmar, Felicia Sanders who tried real hard but didn't and a fine calypso group headed quite make it, and John Adams, by the Duke of Iron. All of whom comedian, with a rather dull courtcontributed to a pleasant 90 min- room comedy routine. Mamie Van

Charlotte Summers.

well-rounded character. That was Ed Begley in the role of the oldtime district leader who learns he must adjust to the era on enlightened electorate.

Walter Mathau, as the upstart congressional candidate in a prisupporting cast.

Gene Plotnik.

juvenated, is pleasant with a song. It is particularly refreshing to see a man who has slipped badly come back strong. The success of this half-hour is still a moot question, the purpose

being somewhat obscure. It's music is entirely too fast for morning calisthenics, and the accent on tunes certainly makes viewing optional. It does serve as pleasant background for morning chores, which could be just what the housewife needs.

Curiously for television, at any who defeats the boss' hand-picked rate, "Bandstand" favors the ear over the eye. There used to be

Dennis McDonald.

NBC to Hawk News in Nov.

NEW YORK -- NBC-TV will have Monday and Friday evening 7:45-8, its news strip, to sell beginning in November. The Union Carbide buy of the two quarter hours for Prestone runs thru October.

The web still has Mondays 7:30-7:45 open, and alternate weeks of Tuesday 7:30-7:45 to sell. Tums has bought alternate weeks of Jonathan Winters in the Tuesday early evening quarter hour. Norman Frank will produce the show.

'Ranger' Up For Regionals

NEW YORK --- ABC-TV will now offer alternate week sponsorship of "The Lone Ranger" on a regional basis, with a cross plug available on the weeks already bought by General Mills.

The film series, slated for Thursdays, 7:30-8 p.m., is to be mar-

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IS EVERYBODY HAPPY? ** DAILY NEWS

Cast: Larry Parks, Ted Lewis, Screenplay by Monte Brice. Director, Charles Barton. Released by Columbia. TV distributor, Screen Gems, Running time: 73 minutes. How selling, Hollywood Movie Parade. Date reviewed, November 19, 1943.

This is based on the life and times of Ted Lewis, the well-known night club and revue entertainer. It purports to be a history of jazz, altho it does no more than skim over the top of that interesting phase of Americana. Lewis appears in the prolog and epilog as he nar-Baxter's feat has been much nates the story of a reluctant brideon a mission for Uncle Sam. He's

NONE SHALL ESCAPE *** DAILY NEWS

Cast: Alexander Knox, Marsha Hunt. Screen play by Lester Cole from a story by Alfred Neumann and Joseph Than. Director, Andre De Toth. Released by Columbia. TV distributor, Screen Gems. Running time: 85 minutes. How selling, Hollywood Movie Parade. Date reviewed, April 7, 1944.

This is a bitter indictment of the German leadership in the last war, as it tells its tale of horror and brutality in a bold and graphic manner. It's a dramatic film bearing on the trials of the Nazis for crimes committed against conquered people. It's told in flashback to show why the trials are being held. Here brutal nature of the Nazi commis-Larry Parks plays his pal Jerry, his friends and former girl, played nine help make the lifeboat adven- Northeast, East Central, West Cen-

*** DAILY NEWS Cast: Tallulah Bankhead, William Bendix. Screenplay by Jo Swerling from a story by John Steinbeck. Director, Alfred Hitchcock. Released by 20th Century-Fox. TV distributor, National Tele-

film Associates. Running time: 96 min-

utes. How selling, Fox package. Date

reviewed, January 13, 1944, Hitchcock has made a picture chock-full of suspense, replete with suggestions of horror and overlaid with touches of bright humor., He has managed to give each member of the audience the sensation of being with the small band of torpedoed passengers. He suggests their life stories without once reare given terrible glimpses of the sorting to the routine of flashbacks. Miss Bankhead contributes an im-

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Communications to 1564 Broadway, New York 36, N. Y.

Dealers Confirm End of Dog-Day Business Slump

Upsurge Puts Volume 25% Ahead of Last Summer's; Huge Hike in Pkge. Sales

country. On the retail level, it ap- and roll releases. pears that the record business in

York City named the Mercury One-Cent Sale as a prime factor in the

NEW YORK-The "end of the mentioned Columbia's Buy-of-the- | "helped a lot" and the Columbia annual summer slump," pro- Month specials, and others named BOM also gets some credit. claimed by most of the important RCA Victor Coupon Bonus disk. record companies recently (The In some instances where singles sensus showed summer business up Billboard, August 4) now has been sales were improved, credit was between 20 and 30 per cent. Dealconfirmed by a large sampling of given-first to Presley, and second ers detected a general renewed inrepresentative dealers across the to the large number of strong rock terest in all things musical, includ-

the summer of 1956 is at least 25 Music Company estimated its busi- In records the big thing is LP's, per cent ahead of summer, 1955. ness up 30 per cent over summer in all categories. "It has now be-Unexpectedly, in view of certain of '55. Outfit's Mr. Dreyfus come important, from the social heavy traffic-building promotions credited the fact that he kept his standpoint," said one retailer, "for by a few of the majors, a number stock up, and also felt that the consumers to compare the extent of dealers came up with their own Mercury sales helped somewhat. of their record collections. The quite original explanations for their He expects the over-all '56 sales layman who can discuss high fidelupsurge. Generally, however, it to run 20 per cent ahead of '55. ity, the latest Jackie Gleason re- of Epic Records, is leaving the was revealed that the big increase The Hecht Company's record de- cording, etc., in the course of a label and will open an indie diswas in packaged goods, which in partment claims it has doubled normal conversation stands out in tributorship in Pittsburgh. most instances accounted for at last summer's tally. It credits the a crowd." Singles business was tagged "no and Victor deals. Woodward and Denel's Music, the store had a Records as a salesman. He had worse than last summer," thanks Lothdrop, another of the Capitol great influx of new customers who also been sales manager of United to Elvis Presley, and EP's were city's leading department stores, had, recently purchased a new Record Distributors in Chicago. Many stores outside of New of last summer. The Mercury sales

In Southern California a coning sheet music, instruments, sound In Washington, D. C., Campbell equipment and furniture for same.

(Continued on page 18) town.

SURPRISE HYPO

NEW YORK --- Cadence Records is re-releasing the Four Tophatters' month's old waxing of "I'll Never Stand in Your Way" to jockeys across the country, following a surprise sales resurrection of the disk here in the East.

The label's promotion chief, Bob Kornheiser, is sending the jockey platters out in a special sleeve. Copy explains the situation and acknowledges the company's "original goof on a potential hit."

Lawrence to Go It on Own

NEW YORK --- Bill Lawrence, national pop singles sales manager

Lawrence, prior to his post with least half of the dollar volume. minor labels, and also the Mercury According to Mary Vaughan, Epic, had been with Columbia observed as "slightly increased." has been running 42 per cent ahead phono. Dealers in this area ex- Pittsburgh is Lawrence's home

DISK TAKES

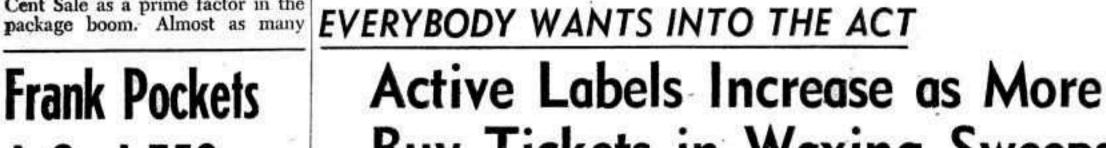
Columbia; **Inks Dot Pact** HOLLYWOOD --- Gene Autry

Autry Exits

signed a long-term recording contract with Dot Records, ending a 29-year-long association with Columbia_Records. Autry cut four sides at his first recording session with Dot. Autry's first release under the Dot banner is tentatively scheduled for early November.

Dot is expected to throw more emphasis on Autry album releases, both in the country and western as well as kidisk fields. It was Autry's interest in more package releases, among other reasons, which prompted his change of label.

In acquiring Autry, Dot adds another strong TV personality to his talent roster. It was Dot's Randy Wood who first unveiled TV's Cale ("My Little Margie") Storm as a top-selling disk artist. The Autry deal will help Dot to further harness TV's promotional powers. In addition to adding the Autry star to its banner, it is believed this deal will further pry open the TV door for Dot's benefit. Dot is expected to sign Gail ("Annie Oakley") Davis to a recording contract, with Dot producing kidisk albums based on the "Oakley" TV film se-(Continued on page 20)



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A Cool 75G

Frank Pockets

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sponsible for his movie, "Johnny dustry, Concho," chalking up a record boxtopped it.

Buy Tickets in Waxing Sweepstakes

of active labels last year and re- Billboard. At the same time Sinatra was re- flect the healthy state of the in-

office gross of \$149,000, biggest continually entering the field is dealers as against the large number operators who constantly go in and non-holiday week in the history of also borne out by a report of the of manufacturers. It is estimated out of the business and have varythe theater. Only Martin and Music Performance Trust Fund, that some 8,500 dealers do the ing degrees of success. For in-Lewis' July 4 holiday appearance which lists a total of 2,049 sig- bulk of the business, altho racks, stance, 941 signatories to the Trust

NEW YORK--How many la- the Trust Fund, this too, is an all- Despite the growing number of NEW YORK --- Frank Sinatra bels share the loot in the disk time high. Of course, not all of small indie labels in the record walked off with \$75,000 for his business? According to The Bill- these companies are active. Many business, and despite the success Paramount Theater stage stint here board's annual disk industry cen- enter the field on an occasional of many indies in the production last week. Figure is believed to sus, the actual current tally totals basis, and this accounts for the ap- of hit disks, it is nevertheless perbe highest fee ever paid to an en- 1,466. This figure represents a parent discrepancy between the tinent to note that approximately tertainer for a single week's engage- healthy increase over the number statistics of the MPTF and The 95 per cent of the contributions to

> mediately suggests itself-namely- There are, according to the MPTF. The pattern of more companies the relatively small number of literally hundreds of marginal disk natories as of June 30, 1956. For supermarkets and chains are also Fund reported no sales in the becoming increasingly important last half of 1955, and 791 reported outlets.

Backbone of Band Business Is Album

NEW YORK -- LP's are the lege stations, also usually backbone of the band business passed by the record companies. today and wise batoners are using the bulk of their promotional funds to stock up (at wholesale rates) large supplies of their own albums, according to Harry Wuest, who manages both Buddy Morrow and Richard Maltby.

Wuest utilizes the LP's as audition disks for prom dates and makes sure jockeys in cities where Morrow plays dances receive complete sets of Morrow LP's as well in advance of the dates. He also concentrates a year-round deejay promotional campaigns on Morrow's LP's in areas where key ballrooms are located. Many of the spots, notes Wuest, are in small towns, and record companies rarely service these grass-roots station jocks with free LP's.

Wuest credits Richard Maltby and Associated Booking with originating the idea of sending LP's to prom chairman as "audition" disks. attending the date, and prior to the The LP, says Wuest, is twice as opening he gave away copies of from eight different LP's - both effective as any promotional piece, the \$24.95 Miller Army Air Force classical and semi-classical-culled and album liner notes provide extra LP as a gate prize at the ballroom

by Wuest contends that 40 per cent of dance promoters-particularly in the Midwest-today won't co-operate on promotion. This thinking is echoed by General Artists Corporation's veteran band booker Howard Sinnott, who has been pushing for stronger promotional efforts by ballroom operators for some time now.

However, Wuest opines that New England dance promoters are much sharper promotion-wise and that Morrow's grosses in these areas reflect their industry. In line with this, the Glenn Miller-Ray McKinley band was accorded a plush promotional campaign on its Totem Pole Ballroom date August 15 at Auburndale, Mass. Flack Buddy Basch tossed a big party for jocks and the press a couple of days before the dance, and ballroom operator Douglas Farrington handed out an orchid to every lady

Col. to Release 8 Walter Disks NEW YORK--The 80th birth-

day of the conductor, Bruno Walter, on September 15, will cue a special release of eight Walterconducted LP's by Columbia Records. One of these will be a "sampler" including excerpts from a number of Walter disks, and retailing at \$1.98. Title of this will be "Bruno Walter-The Sound of Genius."

Heading the list of Walter releases will be the Mozart Requiem, taped following the per-(Continued on page 20)

First Sampler By Urania

NEW YORK-Urania Records will issue its first sampler this month. The LP is priced at \$1.98. The Sampler features selections leaders are building prom follow- the band drew 1,800 people and complete, rather than excerpts will work under singles department recordir = session and sit in on

the Trust Fund are derived from An interesting comparison im- approximately 25 top companies. no sales in the first half of 1955.

The total amount of money allocated by the MPTF for musicians' employment for the full fiscal year ending June 30, 1957, totals \$3,600,000. This compares the Coral Distributing office in with \$2,800,000 for the year end- Rochester, N. Y. ing June 30, 1956; \$2,300,000 for 1955; \$2,200,000 for 1954 and could very well be a record-\$1,950,000 for 1953.

cording and TV funds.

Coral Shifts Eastern M'gm't

NEW YORK --- Howard Kave and Len Levy have been appointed Eastern Division Supervisors of Coral Records, according to Norman Wienstroer, general sales manager. Kaye and Levy replace Frank Holland, who moves to Boston to head the Coral Record division for Mutual Distributing Corporation.

Kaye has been with the Decca organization 15 years, and since 1952 has been New York branch manager. Levy, during the past year, has held a top administrative post in the national sales office. Prior to this he was manager of

Indications are that this month breaking one for Coral, owing to These allocations represent the recently released 35 LP's and monies derived from both the re- strong reaction to the label's fall program.

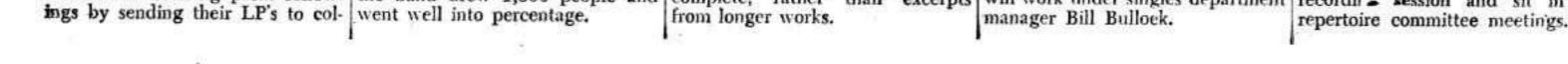
Victor Creates New Key **Posts in Disk Personnel**

NEW YORK --- RCA Victor's record department has scheduled will be expanded and retitled "coseveral key personnel shifts, effec- ordinator, singles records releases." tive September 1, and involving The post will be filled by Tom A. several newly devised executive Potter, who also will report to positions.

merchandising manager for the sin- partment, Brad F. McCuen, former gles records division, has been field man for the singles division shifted into the custom records di- in the Chicago area, will come in vision, where he has been upped to serve as an a.&r. assistant to to the title, manager of custom rec- Steve Sholes. Sholes is manager of ords administration. He will report specialty artists and repertoire, and to Emmett Dunn, who several McCuen's title will be "co-ordinator weeks ago was named manager of of specialty artists and repertoire the custom division. Replacing Bur- planning." His duties will include gess in the singles sales slot will be planning of schedules, involving from Urania's fall line-up of new Harry Jenkins, who formerly auditions, artists and disking sessales ammunition. Other band every night for a week. As a result, album releases. All selections are headed up sales planning. Jenkins sions. He also will supervise some

Jenkins' old post, simultaneously, Bullock.

Jack Burgess, former sales and In the artists and repertoire de-



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'Bandstand' Seg Scouts Talent

NEW YORK-NBC is sending "Bandstand" producer - directors, Parker Gibbs and V'ard Byron, out on the road to scout ork talent for the daily two-hour network radio show and half-hour simulcast.

The idea was conceived by exec Billy Goodheart in an effort to get advance reports on how the bands sound and look on the stand today, rather than relying on records made several years ago or-in some cases -with special studio crews.

It will also give Gibbs and Byron a chance to size up the bands' books and the broadcast potential of their vocalists. Scale alone for vocalists on the show runs from \$500 to \$800 a week and thinking is, that if the band warblers are lacking in mike appeal, the web would rather hire a name singer for the spot.

weeks. Gibbs leaves this week 'o catch Ralph Marterie in Cincinnati, Jan Carber in Indianapolis; Johnny Long, Detroit; Buddy Morrow, Kansas City, and Joe Reisman, Wichita, Kan.

Network Probe May Include Music Orgs

WASHINGTON --- The House Anti-Trust Subcommittee headed by-Emanuel Celler (D., N. Y.), scheduled to hold hearings on network practices in New York beginning September 12, may look into the matter of relations between the networks and the music licensing societies. A spokesman for the committee indicated that this is a purely speculative area of study, but that committee staffers are looking into the relative bargaining positions of the different music organizations.

TO DEEJAYS WITH SYMPATHY!

NEW YORK --- The Old Philosopher, it develops, has a unique understanding of the problems that beset the disk jockey fraternity. Many of the nation's jocks will discover this next week when a special disk, prepared for their own personal edification and enjoyment, reaches them with the compliments of Coral's artists and repertoire department.

Eddie Lawrence, creator of the smash novelty disk, has etched a deejay parody of the material calculated to tear at the deejays' heartstrings. The flip, incidentally, begins with the message, "This is a blank side," but jocks are advised to play it thru.

Mercury Pacts Gibbs and Byron will alternate the road assignment every two Legit Names For Albums

NEW YORK --- Mercury Records has signed some solid show business names for its fall package Ine-up. Artists include Harpo Marx, Vivian Blaine, Celeste Holm, and Blossom Seeley and Showcase Writers Benny Fields.

Mercury's artist and repertoire veepee, Art Talmadge, views these artists as potent LP attractions. Miss Blaine will do two albums for Mercury, including one tagged "Ziegfeld Follies," which will feature memorable tunes from hit build a better showcase for his "Follies" show. Talmadge has ob- writers, publisher Buddy Morris of off-Broadway musicals which was generated by the filming of tained exclusive album rights to (Edwin H. Morris Music) will be Morris expects to back in the his life story, titled "Lonesome the title "Ziegfeld Follies". from the sole backer of Ben Bagley's next the Burke.

CLIMBING THE TUNE BANDWAGON Strong Material Sparks Diskeries **Push on Multi-Version Singles**

NEW YORK---A flock of multi- ney Marty Machat, has just con- Cole, this has already been cut by version tunes have come along in cluded a deal with Dimitri Timo- Dick Haymes on Capitol, Steve the last several weeks to create a kin and Allied Artists for the Clayton on Coral, Dick Kallman high level of excitement in the pop release of the original sound track. singles business. Newest entry- Another big tune, already selland leading the pack in the num- ing strongly over the counters and sions are on the way. ber of recorded versions-is Feist's reaping plenty of performances, "The Friendly Persuasion," from altho out only a few weeks, is the film of the same name, which "When the White Lilacs Bloom Allied Artists has scheduled for Again." early October release at the Radio Vaughn's on Dot and Helmut James Dean" and "His Name Was City Music Hall. Already some 10 Zacharias' on Decca, reached Best James Dean." The former has City Music Hall. Already some 10 Zacharias' on Decca, reached Best or 12 singles have been scheduled, Buy status in last week's issue of and many of these appeared dur- The Billboard. In addition, there ing the past week. Included are is action on versions by Lawrence Pat Boone's sound track version on Welk on Coral, Florian ZaBach on Dot; Four Aces on Decca; George Mercury and Leroy Holmes on Cates on Coral; Lou Busch on M-G-M. Capitol; Michel LeGrand on Co-

Pub Turns Angel to

Playhouse.

Morris to Back Off-Broadway Revue

Series; 'Shoe String '57' the First

Two versions, Billy

lumbia; David Rose on M-G-M; getting heavy action by the a&r Sargent on Decca. Tony Perkins (one of the film's fraternity is "Two Different stars) on Epic. Awaited are a Dimitri Tiokin version and other Music, the publishing firm recently sides. RKO-Unique, thru its attor- established by Larry Spier and Nat

on Decca and Don Rondo on Jubilee. At least three other ver-

Dean Memorials

The late James Dean is the subject of a quantity of sides. Two tunes are extant, "The Ballad of been done by Dylan Todd on Victor, Dick Jacobs on Coral, Jimmy Wakely on Decca and The Four Tunes on Jubilee. "His Name Was Dean" also has many versions, including Dick Jacobs on Coral, Another of the newer tunes Nathan Russell on Forest and Don

"Giant," the film based on the (Continued on page 20)

Gene Austin **Back With RCA** Victor

HOLLYWOOD --- Gene Austin signed a recording contract with RCA Victor, thus returning to the same label where 30 years ago he reigned as one of the top-selling pop artists. Austin was signed in New York last week by Victor's Steve Sholes.

The show is the first of a series Renewed disk interest in Austin future, at the rate of two or three Road," to be produced by Case a-year, and an investment of from Productions in association with \$15,000 to \$20,000 per show. Desilu Productions. Austin will Even if he only gets one good sing in the film, with the acting property out of the project each leads who will portray his life yet to be signed. Austin is generally recognized as being one of the record industry's top sellers. In his comparatively short career (seven years), Austin reputedly sold more than 80 million records, collecting more than dom make any real money on the \$17,000,000 in royalties. He began in 1922 with "Yessir, That's My Baby," followed by "My Blue stage. Morris may have been Heaven" (a seven-million-seller), "Lonesome Road" (to be used as the film's title tune), "Ramona" (more than four million sold), among others.

Cast Set for Feld's R&R **Road Show**

NEW YORK-The latest edition of Irving Feld's Rock and Roll road show has been cast, and is scheduled to take off in Hershey, Pa., September 28.

According to the Gale Agency, which is booking the package, this new version will be bigger, and will play more dates than any of be Bill Haley and the Comets, the Platters, the Teen-Agers and Buddy Johnson's big band, plus Ella Johnson, Chuck Berry, Shirley and Lee, Shirley Gunther, the Flairs, the Clovers and others.

The first two dates after Hershey will be Toronto and Buffalo.

U. S. Rights to 'Arms' Bought

NEW YORK-Publisher Howard S. Richmond has acquired from Francis Day & Hunter the American rights to "Lay Down Your Arms," tune which is currently riding high in the British Isles. Cut by Anne Shelton on Philips and released in England several weeks ago, the disk quickly climbed into the best selling lists. At least eight cover versions have already been cut in England.

The Shelton version will be released here by Columbia Record

Tune, written by Paddy Rober with music by Leon Land and Al Gerhard, is in Richmond's Ludlo showman's widow, Billie off-Broadway revue, "Shoestring '57," which opens here in mid-

'SAUCER PROFITS'

What Price Ethics **To Honest Distribs**

NEW YORK-As Leo Duro-profit. They sold thousands of cher was wont to say, "Nice guys copies-including bootleg versions finish last!"

been emphasized by the "Flying the Luniverse 'abel worked out a Saucer" case. Thus far most of the rate deal. hassling has centered around copyright angles. But one little-publicized aspect of the case concerns ethical disk distributors-many of whom are doing a slow burn.

These distributors, warned that the earlier shows. On the bill will anyone who "touched" the record would be implicated, held off. Other distribs went right ahead, have gotten into the act. However, stocked the disk and made a nice

-and ultimately came out in the In the disk business, this has clear because the publishers and

By JUNE BUNDY

NEW YORK --- In a move to

One important distrib in Upstate New York, stated: "I think it is a crime that the industry closes its eyes . . . Let us take the case of a legitimate distributor . . . I was offered any number of bootleg and original versions . . . anyone could

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ATTENTION - DEALERS

Your Color TV Set **Sales Opportunities**

... will be spelled out in a series of up-to-the-minute features, statistical charts and detailed lists that explore the color TV subject from all angles. Be sure to look for it in . . .

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year, Morris estimates the investment will pay off.

November at the Little Carnegie

In line with this he points out that publishers today usually invest at least that much money in a Broadway show when they acquire rights to its score, and they seldeal and have no control over how material is written or presented on thinking of his last two legit-score ventures - "Shangri-La," which folded a few weeks after it opened here and "The Amazing Adele," which was shuttered out of town.

In addition to acquiring all rights to the score, Morris also stands to make some money by offering the revue to TV for a one-shot performance. Bagley's last "Shoestring Revue" rated excellent reviews when it was aired over the Du Mont TV outlet here last year, and Morris has several

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Another Demo By Vanguard

NEW YORK-Vanguard Records' own version of a promotion "sampler," the "Vanguard High Fidelity Demonstration Record," is now becoming a series, with the diskery scheduling its third such disk for release this month. The new platter, which sells at \$1.98, is Rimsky-Korsakov's "Scheherazade," by the Vienna State Opera orchestra, conducted by Mario Rossi.

According to Vanguard, this will be a limited edition. The regular Vanguard 12-inch line lists at \$4.98 per disk.

Waner Dies of Heart Attack

NEW YORK --- Art Waner, M-G-M Records artist, died of a heart attack in Detroit Thursday, August 23.

Waner was a well-known figure on the Broadway scene, and for 10 years headed the band at the Latin Quarter. He was a partner, with George Albert, in Gala Enterprises, which included music publishing, management and band booking op-



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Predict \$500 Mil. Hi-Fi Sales in '56

Phono Firms to Give Units Hefty Play in Fall Promotion Pitches

000,000 seen for the hi-fi industry | Hi-Fi Manufacturers. in 1956, and an even greater market predicted for 1957.

tional meets are set for this fall either in cabinets or in built-ins. and early next year. At the same time phono manufacturers indicate that hi-fi units will play a major New York Trade Show Building role in their fall promotional in conjunction with the 1956 conpushes.

tial prediction was made last week 1957, the Institute will sponsor anby Lee Goodman, vice-president of other hi-fi show in Los Angeles. Radio Craftsman Company during Edward A. Altschuler, American

Capehart Plots Big Hi-Fi Intro For Late Fall

units are expected to account for a large share of Capehart's total business next year, and the firm's new hi-fi line, which will be intro-

NEW YORK-U. S. dealers are seminar in Los Angeles, sponsored higher on high fidelity than ever, by the Inter-Industry Co-Ordinatwith a sales potential of \$500,- ing Committee of the Institute of

Goodman also advised his audience that the public is no longer Meanwhile, the hi-fi industry is primarily concerned with sound holding seminars around the coun- alone in a hi-fi unit, but now detry this summer, and several na- mands more emphasis on styling,

The Institute will hold its next hi-fi show September 26-30 at the vention of the Audio Engineering The \$500,000,000 sales poten- Society. Then in February (6-9) the second of a three-part hi-fi Electronics, Inc., will be general manager for both affairs, which will be open to the public.

At the opening session of the New York show next month, Donald J. Plunkett, of Capitol Records, will preside at a discussion on disk recording and reproduction, and Thomas J. Mcrson, Audio-Video poration last week introduced four Recording Company, will direct the next session on magnetic recording. Other speakers scheduled include Clair Krepps, M-G-M Records; Philip E. Erhorn, Audiofax NEW YORK ---- High fidelity Associates, and Richard Olmsted, Olmsted Sound Studios,

Meanwhile, key dealers and department stores across the country are also readying plans for their duced sometime in November, will own fall hi-fi shows. For instance, Meier & Frank Company, Portland, Ore., which held the first large-scale hi-fi showing in the Northwest last April, will stage a second show in mid-September. On the basis of sales response to the April show, the store plans to enlarge its present hi-fi department "about double." Hi-fi is also a big thing in Canada this year, where, according to ment," a position held the last four quarter of it was bought within and rural areas has not taken quite years by TV. The survey also the past three years.

REVIEWS PUSH CLASSICAL SALES

PITTSBURGH-Raymond Gregory, of the National Record Mart Stores here (a chain of 14 disk outlets), has devised a unique method of utilizing record reviews as interest-arousers to help push classical LP sales, particularly on the more obscure items.

Clippings of favorable classical album reviews from local papers and national magazines are applied (with Scotch tape or paper clips) to the covers of appropriate packages. If the customer purchases the LP, the clipping is merely transferred to the cover of another copy in the store. The display reviews act as "silent sales" ammunition for the stores, and Gregory reports enthusiastic reaction to the idea from classical buyers.

Philco Intros Hi-Fi Phonos 4

NEW YORK--The Philco Cornew high fidelity phonos, ranging in price from \$49.95 to \$199.95.

The new models, which were shown at a meeting of Philco's field salesmen in Sandusky, O., have been added to Philco's 1957 radiophono line, which now includes 12 portable phonos and hi-fi models and a portable, radio-phono model, all available for immediate delivery.

two console phonos. All hi-fi modrecord players, a jack for AM-FM tuner or tape recorders, and Philco bels. engineer transformer-powered amplifiers which deliver up to 14watt output.

RING THAT CASH BELL Smart Dealers Use **Promotion Tools**

By BERNIE GEBHARDT DENVER --- The best mouse trap in the world will not create a beaten path to any door unless people hear about it. This is especially true in record sales. Retailers, who take advantage of the manufacturer's promotion gimmicks, push their products and utilize every available means to increase their sales, count their results with overflowing tills. Those who don't will probably not have the opportunity to do so for long because the money-spending public soon forgets them.

This has been especially evident in Columbia's recent Buy of the Month promotion campaign that is picking up speed each month. Hill Radio and Record Shop here, along with several others have pushed the gimmick heavily and report a sharp rise in their monthly business. This is a result not only of the month price reduction, but the fact that the buyer often takes the money he saved on the Columbia disk and buys at least one or two more platters.

In midtown Denver, Tom Marsolek, after getting hurt on other less successful campaigns, has not pushed the Columbia Buy of the cally used a one-cent sale gimmick Month, and consequently admits that sales have not been as strong a customer buys one record, as they might have been.

to good for Marsolek, in spite of are entitled to buy another from a The new hi-fi models include a the fact that he has not pushed it. "special rack" of records, for anportable radio-phono, a consolette While across town at Bernard's, an other penny. Good repeat business phono with removable legs, and equal amount of effort on pushing has been built this way and the both Columbia's and Victor's proels feature four-speed inter-mix motion has resulted in good sales and a sharp increase for both la-

but their eventual disappearance from the market is seen.

Most small retail outlets reduce their advertising or cut it out altogether during the summer. Hill acts as the ticket office for a majority of the large musical shows that come to town and reports this to be an excellent method of keeping its name before the public, building trade from outside its immediate reighborhood and often resulting in good sales. Marsolek sticks to its policy of buying radio spots on one of the leading record stations in the area and leans heavily on The Billboard's top tunes for plugging its name and address.

All retail outlets, from Pueblo, Colo., to Laramie, Wyo., thruout most of the Rocky Mountain area, report good sales of movie hit tunes. Many stores tie in their promotion with movie displays and have worked out co-operative advertising with theater managers to promote album sales. Such movies as the "Eddy Duchin Story," "Benny Goodman Story" and others have lent themselves well to such efforts and have resulted in excellent sales.

Hill's Record Shop has periodito clear out it's dead stock. When whether it's an album or a single, Victor's coupon deal is doing fair regardless of speed or price, they gimmick is played up heavily in their advertising. Hill has also reduced its pilferage problem by substituting card files of records, labels and artists in place of large files of records. "Many of our customers like to feel the record," Mrs. Hill reports "but they have come to accept the fact that all they have to do is bring the card index to us, we'll get the record for them and when they bring it back from the booth, we will replace the card in the file." Mrs. Hill reports that nearly all of their easily accessible LP's are green-stocked, and when sold, the records are then placed in the album. Currently, instrumental groups seem to be moving better than vocals, generally speaking. This concensus is agreed upon by nearly all retail dealers except Leroy Smith, whose record shop, located in the heart of the rhythm and blues district, gets a heavy play on vocal groups with the minor labels, novelty groups and even 78 r.p.m. sales showing a good business, unlike shops in other neighborhoods.

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be sold on a direct-to-dealer basis in most parts of the country.

Altho the line will be offered initially to the more than 200 retail accounts which Capehart has across the country, it will not be developed nationally at first. Instead, Capehart will be offered to a limited number of key department stores and dealers in each area and never to any two, considered direct competitors.

Capehart is aiming at a luxury market, and hopes the combination of direct distribution and limited dealership will permit it to maintain a stronger control over prices, advertising, promotion, etc., on the dealer level. The firm will not manufacture its own sets, but to date Capehart execs have not revealed the name of the company designated to handle its produc- pected the 25 per cent average know why business is so good. | packaged sales have doubled, and tion.

The new hi-fi line will range from portable and table models to combination radio-phono-tape recorder consoles. Following the introduction of the complete line in November, there will be no annual or semi-annual showings of new merchandise. New models will merely be added to the line when needed, thereby protecting dealers against obsolescence and inventory losses. Advertising and promotion of the new hi-fi line will be concentrated at the local level.

Sentinel Debs New Hi-Fi Phono Models

NEW YORK-Sentinel Radio, a subsidiary of Magnavox, is bringing out a complete new TV, radio and phono line this month, hightwo hi-fi radio-phono models.

console model, priced at \$229, features three speakers and a fourspeed record changer. Sole portaspeed record changer. Sole porta-ble phono in the hi-fi line is priced above last year." "EP's aren't

a recent survey by RCA Victor showed that over 40 per cent of Company, Ltd., hi-fi is now the Canadian homes now have recordmost wanted piece of home equip- playing equipment, but less than a

Like others in the metropolitan area, Marsolek keeps only the top 15 current hits stocked in 78's, and Hill's, Bernard's and others are reducing their 78 stock to a bare minimum. Denver distributors report that 78 sales from suburban as sharp a nose dive as in the city

DOG-DAY SLUMP AT AN END

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increase to hold for the entire year.

Rendezvous Ahead

In Cleveland Record Rendezyous finds the summer 15 per cent ahead. This enterprising outlet attributes this largely to phono sales and resultant LP purchases. The LP increase has been jerked up further by the various company promotions. Singles sales elicit a nod in the direction of young Presley.

Paul Kayser's Record Bar in Durham, N. C., who handles large country and rhythm and blues clientele, as well as pop and package trade, is up 25 per cent and is one of the few shops to rave about singles' sales. "Rock and Roll is at its height here," was the owner's statement, and "Elvis has been a tremendous hypo."

Expect Singles' Boom

Chicago dealers, almost unanimously, attributed their increase to LP sales, but were fairly cool lighted by three hi-fi phonos and toward the various promotions. All play. believe that, starting with the fall, The de luxe model, radio-phono singles' sales will take over. They anticipate a "flood of hits." Al Temerman, of Little Al's, reported

ventory to accommodate more singles.

Fred Dumont, buyer for the Hudson-Ross chain, estimates business up 15 per cent. He does like the special promotions and also the pull of hot album artists, like Harry Belafonte. Sam Alexander, of Alexander's Record Shop, also are running about 10 per cent ahead of spring business, let alone last summer. EP's are better, too." "The King and I" is one of his big traffic builders. Bernie Skidell, who claims a 50 per cent upswing. displaying about 800 covers. He feels that his own efforts, including remodeling, display and air conditioning, have helped. Bill Anderson, of the Record Center, also credits self-help in the form of new location, modernization and dis-

Special Pushes Aid

Pittsburgh, an area singled out let on the south side, Goody claims for several special company to be about 25 per cent ahead, pushes, has several big dealers and his strongest ally, he insists, claiming 50 per cent improvement. has been the cool weather. Some Howard Shapiro, owner of the of his competitors, hearing this, at \$89 and comes in a two-tone helping in the least," he said, and National Record Mart chain, says: declared, "It may be cool for

"He's currently reshifting his in- the Mercury One-Cent sale is named as a factor. To a lesser degree he mentions the Columbia and Victor plans.

Meanwhile, back in Cut-ratesville, otherwise known as the Metropolitan area, Jim Landy, Eclipse Music Shop, Paterson, N. J., finds the ledger up "more than 20 per cent, thanks to a flood of good pop and rock and roll singles." As expects to finish the summer about far as packages are concerned, 15 per cent ahead. "LP's, in fact, Landay is selling all \$3.98 LP's at \$2.98 in order to compete. On Long Island, in Jamaica, Jackie Heller's Triboro Music is about 15 per cent up. "People out here are hi-fi minded, and new players are of ABC Recordteria, is another being sold." All of the special plans have helped, particularly Skidell has really promoted LP's, Mercury's, according to Heller's.

Weatherman Goody

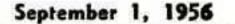
Mercury's One-Cent Plan, Columbia's BOM, etc., mean nothing to Sam Goody. "I'm making the same kind of deals myself all the time," said the constantly embattled mahoff, who now operates from both sides of 49th Street. Not counting his new singles' out-

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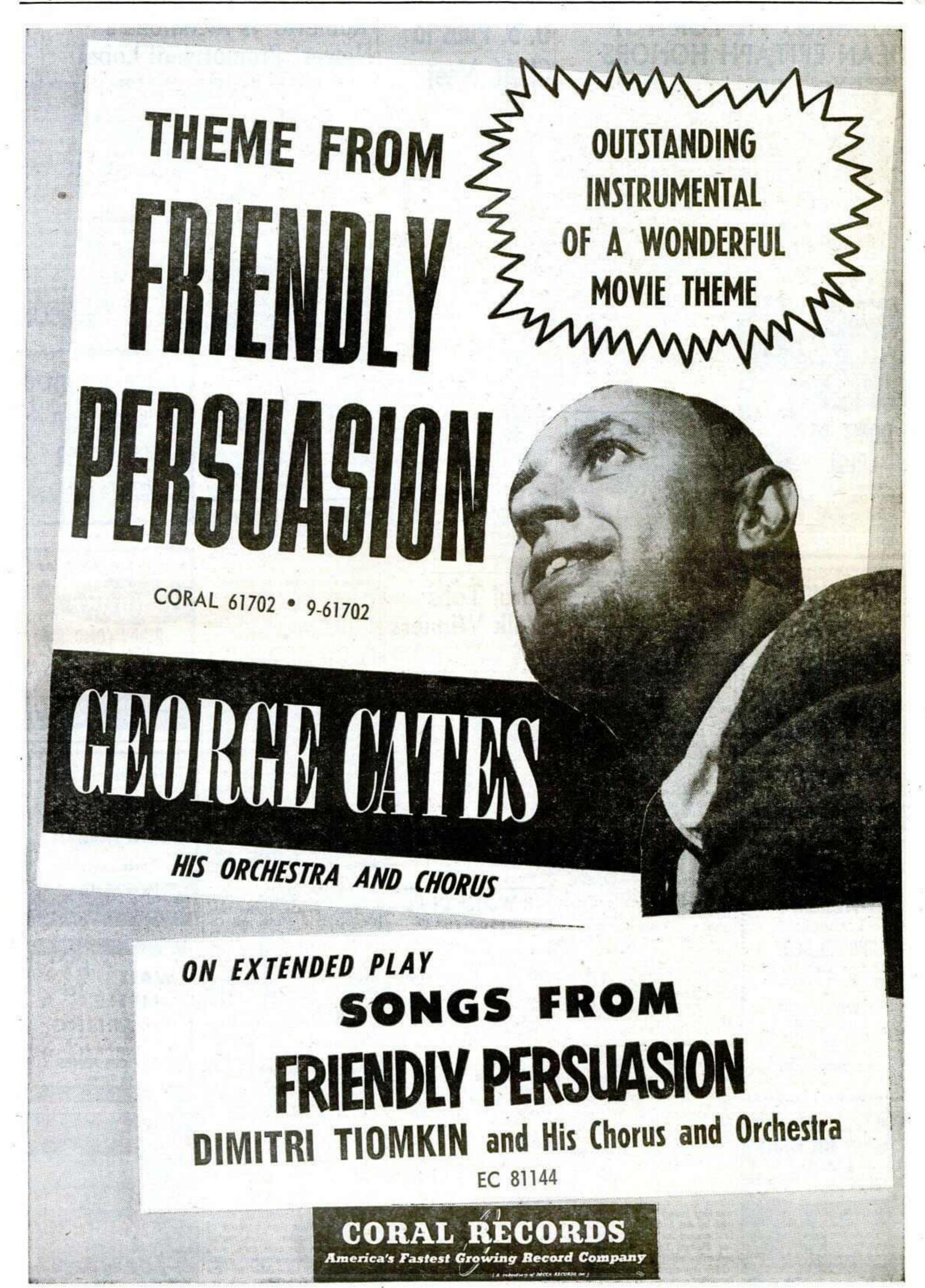
PHILADELPHIA -- Traffic is assured for the new selfservice record store recently opened by Jimmy Myers, president of Myers Music, Inc., and Vince Pale under the trade name of Richloy, Inc., in the heart of downtown Philadelphia. The city traffic court is located next door to the outlet and soft music is piped outside to soothe motorists waiting in line to appear before the magistrates.

Myers, who recently purchased the three-story building at 208 North Broad Street, recently held open house for over 300 members of the trade. A one-stop operation is also operated in conjunction with the retail outlet.





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WAXINGS VIE FOR TOP **DEAN EPITAPH HONORS**

field is currently on an ode-to-thelate-James Dean kick which may well top the mourning-music turned out in the country and Was Dean," and Jimmy Cates western market for Hank Williams plays themes from three Dean and in rhythm and blues for John- movies, "Rebel Without Cause," ny Ace.

Latest entry in the Dean-dirge field (which already includes two LP's, and EP and a flock of singles) is Coral's LP, "The Story of James Dean," featuring Jimmy Wakely, the orchestras of George Cates and Dick Jacobs, Steve Allen and deejay Bill Randle.

Allen has written a special prolog and epilog, which he recites on the LP, while Randel narrates



ALMOST

NEW YORK-The pop record Dean's life story and introduces each musical selection, several of which are also being released as singles. Wakely warbles "His Name "Giant," and "East of Eden"; Jacobs contributes "Ballad of James Dean," "A Boy Called Dean."

Single disks on the market include "Ballad of James Dean," recorded by Jacobs, Dylan Todd on Victor, and the Four Tunes on Jubilee; "His Name Was Dean" by Jacobs, Nathan Russell on Forest and Don Sargent on Mecca; an Art Mooney single "Tribute to James Dean" and a Mooney EP, "Music From Motion Pictures Starring James Dean" (both featuring themes from Dean films); Imperial Records' LP "A Tribute to James Dean," and a Unique Records LP on the same subject. Waxings of "Giant" and love theme from "Giant" (Dean's last picture) have been cut by Rusty Draper, Mooney, Cates and David Carroll.

Pub Turns Angel

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writers-such as Carolyn Leigh and

Mark (Moose) Charlap-who have

penned original TV scores for the

"Writers today need more of a

springboard than records," said

Morris, who pointed out that

George Abbott is about the only



NEW YORK--Several U. S. publishers are planning to attend the Confederation of International Societies of Authors and Composers' annual meeting in Hamburg, Germany, September 17.

Altho the American music men will not participate in the meetsince the American Society of lette is being used only where the Composers, Authors and Publishers more traditional methods of songand Broadcast Music, Inc. are no longer members-they will be present as interested observers.

performing rights and mechanical rights societies from all over the world, is expected to elect a new president at the convention to replace its former president, the late Honegger.

Also on the agenda will be a discussion of ways and means, by which CISAC might help European performers and broadcasters obtain proper recognition of their rights, thereby helping strengthen the position of CISAC members as well. Neighboring rights between European countries, including mechanical reproduction rights on broadcasts, will be the focal point of the discussion.

Another important subject for discussion will be new copyright laws currently being considered by the French and British parliaments. Among U. S. publishers in attendance will be Buddy Morris, E. H. Morris's headman.

Broadway. The project will also give Morris' writers an opportunity Coral Tabs

'Roulette' Is Richmond's **Newest Promotional Label**

NEW YORK --- The wide- to the deal Richmond made last ranging activity of the modern year with Capitol on behalf of the music publisher is demonstrated thrush Kay Carson, who first cut vividly these days by Howie Rich- his "Band of Gold" for Richmond's mond. Richmond has started a old label, Mars. new recording venture, Roulette | Roulette has another disk ready Records, by which he is promoting for circulation, but this time Richseveral of his new songs and talent mond says he is willing to launch properties.

According to Richmond, Rouselling fail. Currently, he is pushing a Pat Ballard tune, "King of Nothin'," which he has recorded CISAC, which is made up of with Bernie Knee singing. The song reportedly was submitted to all companies and turned down. Richmond pressed 1,000 copies of his Roulette disk, for deejays only, and has had this selected as the Swiss-French composer, Arthur plug platter by a trio of Baltimore jocks who are determined to prove that "Baltimore can make a hit." These are Buddy Deane, Joel Chaseman and Roz Ford, all with WITH. Tune is in Richmond's Essex firm, affiliated with ASCAP.

> Meanwhile, Richmond has decided not to market the disk commercially, but is negotiating with several majors for its sale. He has made no secret of the fact that any deal must include a contract for Knee, who now is managed by the pubber. This would be similar

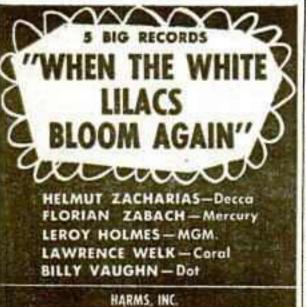
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Edna Ferber novel, has also contributed strongly to the current pop singles picture. Rusty Draper on Mercury and Art Mooney on M-G-M are already out with sides, and two instrumentals from "The Love Theme" from "Giant" are NEW YORK--Coral Records also making the rounds. Latter are by Mercury's David Carroll and Coral's George Cates. "Sadie's Shawl," an instrumental, also has several entrants scrambling for the loot. These include Buddy Bregman on Victor, Richard Hayman and Jan August on Mercury and Bob Sharples on London. The upcoming musical "L'il Abner" has two tunes which alto C. R. Martin, of Melody Lane, action. These are "If I Had My Druthers," cut by the Voices of senting a prize of \$50 to Rolf Walter Schumann on Victor and Don Cherry on Columbia, and "Namely You," done by Victor's Julius LaRosa and Columbia's Don Cherry. Other multi-version tunes currently making the rounds are "Test of Time," by Coral's Alan Dale, Capitol's Dean Martin and Columbia's Peggy King among others, and "You Can't Run Away From It," cut by Decca's Four Aces, Mozart Festival performance, with M-G-M's Dean Jones and others. Also released the past week were two versions of "Tall Boy," one by Peggy King on Columbia, and the other by Ann Gilbert, new Groove Records artist: Another is "Two Innocent Hearts," cut by Another new Walter set will be Bethe Douglas on Fraternity and Ginny Gibson on ABC-Paramount. And, of course, there are other examples. Not too long ago, diskeries were making an effort to cut down on multiple versions of tunes, the feeling being that too many entrants divided the loot too many ways. Also, in the case of cover records, there developed considerable opposition by deejays. In many instances, however, multi-versions of tunes are precipitated by the fact that the material is strong, with many of the disks appearing simultaneously, rather than because of "cover" philosophy. This would appear to be the case now, with strength of the song material.

it himself in the retail mart. This one is an imported coupling from Italy, with top warbler Tenny Reno singing "Hey Canastos" on the topside. The master reportedly is in the top five in Italy and is No. 1 in most of South America. It will be kicked off in a few scattered areas to test reaction. This, Richmond recalls, is the method he used for breaking 'Anna," which was on Mars for six weeks before being sold to M-G-M, where it sold well over a million.



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to extend their talents into the spe cial material and show tune field, rather than concentrate on strictly pop tunes. Commenting on the move, Morris' general manager, Sidney Kornheiser, opined: "This is something ASCAP should have been doing for a long time."

Co-produced by Morris and Bagley, "Shoestring '57," will feature material written by the late John Latouche, Miss Leigh, Charlap, Phil Springer, Norman Gimbel, Mike Stewart, Bud McCreery, and G. Wood.

Altho Morris denied that the move was in any way prompted by the recent trend for songwriters to set up their own publishing rights and retain complete control over original cast album rights, the project is an interesting switch on the idea. Betty Comden, Adolph Green and Jule Styne have set up their own music firm, Stratford, for the forthcoming Judy Holliday musical "The Bells Are Ringing"; Gene De Paul and Johnny Mercer have established Commander Music to handle the score for their fall Broadway show "Li'l Abner," and Bob Merrill will publish his score for "Pay the Piper" (musical version of "Anna Christie") via his Valyr Music firm. Both of the first two teams are retaining all original cast album rights, rather than sharing them with backers.

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ries. The "Oakley" series is one of a number of TV film shows produced by Autry's Flying A Productions.

Records expired in April of this \$2.98 Buy-of-the-Month. year. His switch to Dot marks | Columbia also has cut a special his first label change in his long premium disk, carrying an intercareer as a recording artist. He view with the maestro conducted was first brought into the Columbia by Arnold Michaelis, of the Columfold by Art Satherly in 1929. His bia Masterworks Division. Herein first record for Columbia was "Sil- Dr. Walter discusses such topics ver Haired Daddy," one of rec- as his childhood in Vienna, his ordom's all-time best sellers, first meeting with Gustav Mahler much of the aforementioned multiwhich reportedly has gone past the and his fondness for Johann ple versions traceable to the 5-million-disk mark.

Welk Winners

last week announced the winners of the Lawrence Welk Window Display Contest, which was held during July. Contest was open to all dealers, and displays were based upon the label album releases of the Champagne maestro. First prize of \$150 went to C. J. Klingele, display manger of Wolff, Kubly and Hirsig, Madison, Wis.; second prize of \$50 was taken by the Lazarus Record Library, Columbus, O., and third prize of \$25 Palo Alto, Calif. Coral is also pre-Voeglin, of Tell Music Distributing, in Madison. Voeglin is the salesman responsible for the first-prize winner.

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formance this year with the New York Philharmonic following his soloists Irmgard Siegfried, Jennie Tourel, Leopold Simoneau and William Warfield. From the same series comes his coupling of the Mozart "Jupiter" Symphony and Symphony No. 39.

a grouping, rare for the conductor, of Strauss waltzes. The four LP's issued in 1954, embodying the complete orchestral works of Brahms, will now be issued as a series of single LP's. Formerly they were available only as a unit, in a de luxe album. Of this series, the Brahms Second Symphony has Autry's contract with Columbia been tagged as the September

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Miss Fulchino Does A Top Flack Job . . .

The current issue of Life August 27 represents a kingsized coup for RCA Victor's pop flack, Ann-Fulchino. The mag contains no less than nine pages devoted to the diskery's No. 1 mealticket, Elvis Presley. **Candlelight Records**

Signs Susan Silo . . .

Susan Silo, 14-year-old canary,

editor.

has been signed by Candlelight Trombonist Warren Covington Records. She will cut four sides is scheduled to take over this week for the label this month. The deal as the director of the Commanders

COMING UP STRONG

A listing of our newer pop records which have shown great trade response during the past weeks. These records figure strongly as potential hits.

1. After The Lights Go Down Low Al Hibbler

(BMI) Decca

- 2. Speak, My Love . . . Vic Damone (BMI) Columbia
- 3. No Rock 'N' Roll Tonight Dorothy Collins

 Bonnie Lou (BMI) Coral. King 4. Lonely Girl Julie London (ASCAP) Liberty 5. Travelin' Home Trudy Richards (BMI) Capitol
- 6. Goodbye, So Long, I'm Gone Frankie Castro • Betty Wells (BMI) Mercury ABC-Par

Watch for Lucky Seven 7. The Lonely One . . Kitty Kallen (BMI) Decca

MUSIC AS WRITTEN

Bill Smith, ex-Billboard night club mer Eddie Grady in the post, and reportedly will take over a large

Covington to Head Commanders Band . . .

chunk of the organization which had been held by Tutti Camarata. The latter, who started the outfit and cleffed its book, reportedly will continue to participate in its Decca disk royalties.

Original 'Wild' Platter French Best-Seller . . .

E. H. Morris Music's new tune "Call of the Wild" (Jaye P. Morgan's new release) was originally recorded in France on the Barclay label by Eddie Constantine and was a best seller over there. Michel Legrand wrote the melody and Carolyn Leigh penned the English lyric for Morris, who has acquired U.S. publishing rights to the song.

Crew-Cuts Off on

Four-Week Tour . . .

The Crew-Cuts this week start a four week tour which will take them to the Valaire Ballroom, Des Moines, Ia.; Shore Acres, Sioux City, Saltaire Park, Salt Lake City: Natatorium Park, Spokane, Wash.; Vancouver, British Columbia, and the Evergreen Ballroom. Olympia, Wash. They return to the East Coast September 15 to do the next Tommy and Jimmy Dorsey Stage Show TV appearance.

New York

Bob Thiele, Coral's a.&r. director, has signed juvenile actor Tommy Rettig to a pact. Rettig, known for his starring role in the "Lassie" TV series, has already cut "What Is a Mom?" and "What-Is a Dad?", both narrations. . . . Her-

was set by the Thrush's manager | dance band. He succeeds drum- | handles East Coast deejay promotions for Decca) became the parents of a daughter, Susan Norma, last Thursday. The Katzels have a son, Michael.

> Dewey Bergman Jr., has joined Don Gabor's Remington Records combine in an artists and repertoire capacity. . . . As a result of the current spurt of James Dean material, Victor is re-releasing the original cutting of "The Ballad of James Dean," by the then newcomer, Dylan Todd, who made it more than six months ago. Originally, there had been little or no interest in the item. It's published by Goday Music. . . . Jimmy Ellyn, Midwestern band leader, has joined the Chicago office of Mc-Conkey Artists to take charge of small musical units. He replaced Phil Field, former McConkey veepee. Agency currently is going on a Dixieland jazz kick.

The Rover Boys are booked in Honolulu, Hawaii, for four weeks, starting September 1. . . . Chirp Judy Gaye has been signed by Directional Enterprises for personal management. . . . Savoy Records cut jazz LP's last week with pianist Hank Jones and the French tenorsax flute man, Bobby Jaspar, winner of this year's jazz critics' poll as New Star on tenor.

Gene Krupa and his trio will play a ten-day engagement at the Ball and Chain, Miami, beginning Friday, August 31, prior to going on the national tour with "Jazz at the Philharmonic." . . . San Francisco Records is moving to a new

What Price Ethics

location at 217 Kearny Street, San Francisco, and coming out with a new label, Talking Machine Records, which will emphasize LP's. ... Perez Prado and his Latin ork are taking off on a four-week tour, September 6, and plan to hit Japan, Korea, Manila and Australia. Music Corporation of America is handling the booking. . . . The Four Voices are set for the Godfrey CBS-TV and radio morning show for two weeks starting August 27, followed by a one-week engagement at the Congress Hotel, St. Louis, Mo., from September 10. . . . In Texas a new label, Tome Records, has just released its first sides.

Dick Shelton, president of Mc-Conkey Artists, and Harry Carlson, topper of Fraternity Records, have formed a new publishing firm, Susan Music, affiliated with Broadcast Music, Inc. Shelton will continue to operate his own firm, Windy City Music, in addition to his chores with McConkey. . . . Berkshire Recordings, a new firm in Lenox, Mass., plans to promote talent from that locale, specializing in Dixie. . . . Fred Lowery, veteran whistler, will cut an album for Decca in September. . . . Susan Silo, 14-year-old thrush, now being handled by Bill Smith, has been signed by Candlelight Records.

Hollywood

Decca Records' Joe Perry recuperating at home from surgery he underwent last week. . . . Freddy Martin ork held over at the Cocoanut Grove, and will be featured with the Nat (King) Cole show opening September 15. . . . Yma Sumac returned to Los Angeles after completing her two-week engagement at the International World's Fair in the Dominican Republic. . . . George Shearing Quintet set for a return engage-







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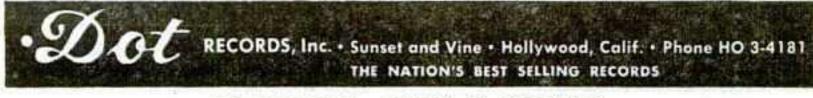
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BBA to Meet For 2d Year

NEW YORK-The second annual conference of the Band Betterment Associates, school music organization, will be held here November 23 and 24.

Attending the meet will be educators from all parts of the country, plus three visiting bands representing the best of three different school age levels. These will perform under the batons of several top conductors. Also, the meet will hear a group of top-rank, instrumental pros in specially prepared programs. The student units will be the Waukegan Grade School Band of Waukegan, Ill., the Cleveland Heights High School band, and the Carnegie Tech Kiltie band.

In addition to the performances, the agenda includes discussions of current problems in the music education and entertainment fields. Sessions will be held in the 1,500seat auditorium of the High School of Fashion Design. Exhibits will be arranged in the corridors surrounding the auditorium.

Chairman of the executive committee is J. Tatian Roach, of Music Publishers' Holding Corporation. Clifford Carter, of Carl Fischer, Inc., is head of the exhibits committee, and Philip J. Lang, of Edwin H. Morris & Company, is in charge of the program.

EP's Account For Half of

GUIDE TO D.J.'S USING 'FEMME'

HOLLYWOOD --- There's more to putting out an album these days than the mere recording of a given number of tunes. And if proof is needed, the current Capitol release "La Femme" by Frank Pourcel and his French strings is a good example.

Disk jockeys receiving the album, tho enthusiastic in their comments, were stumped when it came to pronouncing the French titles. All of the latter, incidentally, indicate a particular part of a woman's anatomy. The problem was solved this week tho, when publisher Mickey Goldsen released what might be called a "rhyming dictionary guide" to the titles for disk jockey use only.

Not only is the album cover tres chic, but the inner sleeve has been scented with lily perfume by Perma-Scent of Chicago. The special coating is designed to retain its fragrance for two years.

Welk Airer's Song Survey

NEW YORK--The Brill Building will have a new outlet for TV

Plymouth dealers from 9:30 to send direct to the diskery.

New Jazz Lab Series Pitched **To Students**

NEW YORK-Decca Records has inaugurated a new Jazz lab series devoted to the marketing of young jazz writers and instrumentalists, and is preparing a special pitch to music students.

Segments of the disks have been musically annotated, with observations by the composers, and these will be made available separately to students gratis if they write directly to Decca for copies.

Counterpoint, described as a basic characterization in jazz from the beginnings of the art, will be stressed in most of the work. First disk, to hit the stands this month, features a number of West Coast stars under the aegis of John Graas.

Disk Pitch for Tourist Hypo

NEW YORK-A co-operative promotion designed to hypo the Caribbean tourist trade has been set up by Delta Airlines and Monogram Records. It's the second project of this nature so far in 1956, the first having been affected several months ago by Cubana Airlines and Panart Records.

The Delta-Monogram pitch has the disk company putting together plugs this fall, when Lawrence a special LP of Cuban, Haitain, Welk preems his new hour ABC- Puerto Rican, Jamaican, Dominican TV show "Lawrence Welk Top and Venezuelan rhythms to serve Tunes and New Faces" featuring as a memento of trips to these a national survey of the nation's lands via Delta. The airline will top songs, a la "The Hit Parade." carry order cards ir all seat pock-The show (sponsored by Dodge- ets, which the traveler is invited to

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play recordings account for onehalf the unit volume of LP's at Capitol Records, according to Lloyd Dunn, vice-president in charge of sales and merchandising.

A comprehensive survey of the EP market by Capitol points to a plus profit for the dealer who merchandises EP's, said Dunn. "EP's are selling well for us, they are a profitable item, and fill a need that can be supplied in no other way," Dunn declared.

"While the over-all sales of EP's have dropped somewhat, the single EP has taken over and is maintaining a good level of sales." Dunn cited Capitol's package of music from "Johnny Concho," "Our Town" and its series of pop tunes by Dean Martin and Nat (King) Cole as indicative of the continuing demand for EP's.

Dunn acknowledged that double and three-pocket EP sales are di-

tober (8) will be aimed at teen-HOLLYWOOD --- Extended agers and will feature new young away Panart sample disks, to pipe TV stations, colleges and universities. Dodge also sponsors Welk's Saturday night tour show over ABC-TV.

McCoy to L. A. to Cut Dixieland Wax for Cap. Opera to Get

DENVER-Clyde (Sugar Blues) McCoy and his Dixieland Band closed at the Muelenbach in Kansas City last week and left for Hollywood, where they are slated to cut an album of Dixie standards for Capitol. McCoy has added Penny Conrad as thrush, and is now handled by the Don Gilbert "War and Peace," based on the Agency.

After his Capitol waxing sessions, McCoy will cut a series of sound tracks for an upcoming Walt Disney series.

minishing, tho single EP sales are ment at Capitol that generally deup. It's the decision of the mer- termines which sides from an album created by the Ponti De Laurentiis chandising and repertoire depart- are to be released as EP's.

The Cubana-Panart deal originally called for the airline to give musical talent from local radio and Panart diskings over its p.a. system, and to sell the disks in its land depots and ticket offices.

'War & Peace' **TV** Preem

NEW YORK-Lou Levy, Leeds Music president, and the National Broadcasting Company have concluded an agreement to televise the American premiere of a two-hour version of the Prokofieff opera, Tolstoy novel. An English translation is being prepared for the broadcast, scheduled for January 13, 1957. NBC will use the revised version, which the composer completed shortly before his death. Deal is of unusual interest at present, as a result of the interest film based on the novel.

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| 3. THE | KING AND I-Sound TrackCapitol W 740 |
| 4. ELV | IS PRESLEY |
| 5. THE | EDDY DUCHIN STORY-Sound Track Decca DL 8289 |
| 6. SON | GS FOR SWINGIN' LOVERS-Frank Sinatra Capitol W 653 |
| 1 | AFONTE-Harry BelafonteRCA Victor LPM 1150 |
| | OUSEL-Sound TrackCapitol W 694 |
| 9. THE | PLATTERS Mercury MG 20146 |
| | AHOMA!-Sound TrackCapitol SAO 595 |
| | R FRESHMEN AND FIVE TROMBONES Capitol T 683 |
| | H SOCIETY-Sound TrackCapitol W 750 |
| | NIC-Sound Track |
| | IT WITH MUSIC-Lawrence WelkCoral CRL 57041 |
| | O MOOD-Paul WestonColumbia CL 879 |

Pop Albums Coming Up Strong

• Review Spotlight on . . .

Popular Albums

LAWRENCE WELK AT MADISON SQUARE GARDEN (1-12")-Coral CRL 57066 Welk's new LP presents the top-rated video star as the public likes him best-folksy, humorous, and warmly garrulous. The album was cut during his spectacular Madison Square Garden appearance March 26 of this year. Variety-wise, this package is Welk's best to date, since it allows every member of his band (Alice Lons, Myron Floren, Jim Roberts, etc.) to do his or her own specialty. Selections include everything from Welk's trade-marked polkas and champagne-styled pops to rock and roll and country and western.

Classical Albums

BEETHOVEN: PIANO CONCERTO NO. 5 ("Emperor") (1-12")-Robert Casadesus, Piano; Philharmonic-Symphony Orchestra of New York; Dimitri Mitropoulos, Cond. Columbia ML 5100

This recording was made in Paris when the Philharmonic toured Europe last year. Adding the presence of M. Casadesus, it is no surprise that this "Emperor" comes out so distinctly "a la francais." Musicianly and fluent, Casadesus' playing has the Gallic virtues of clarity, scrupulous detail and purity of tone. Listeners with a more Germanic orientation, who prefer the robustness and grander, more symphonic approach of a Backhaus may shy away from Casadesus. A fresh approach, in any case, that will elicit a lot of interest-and good sales.

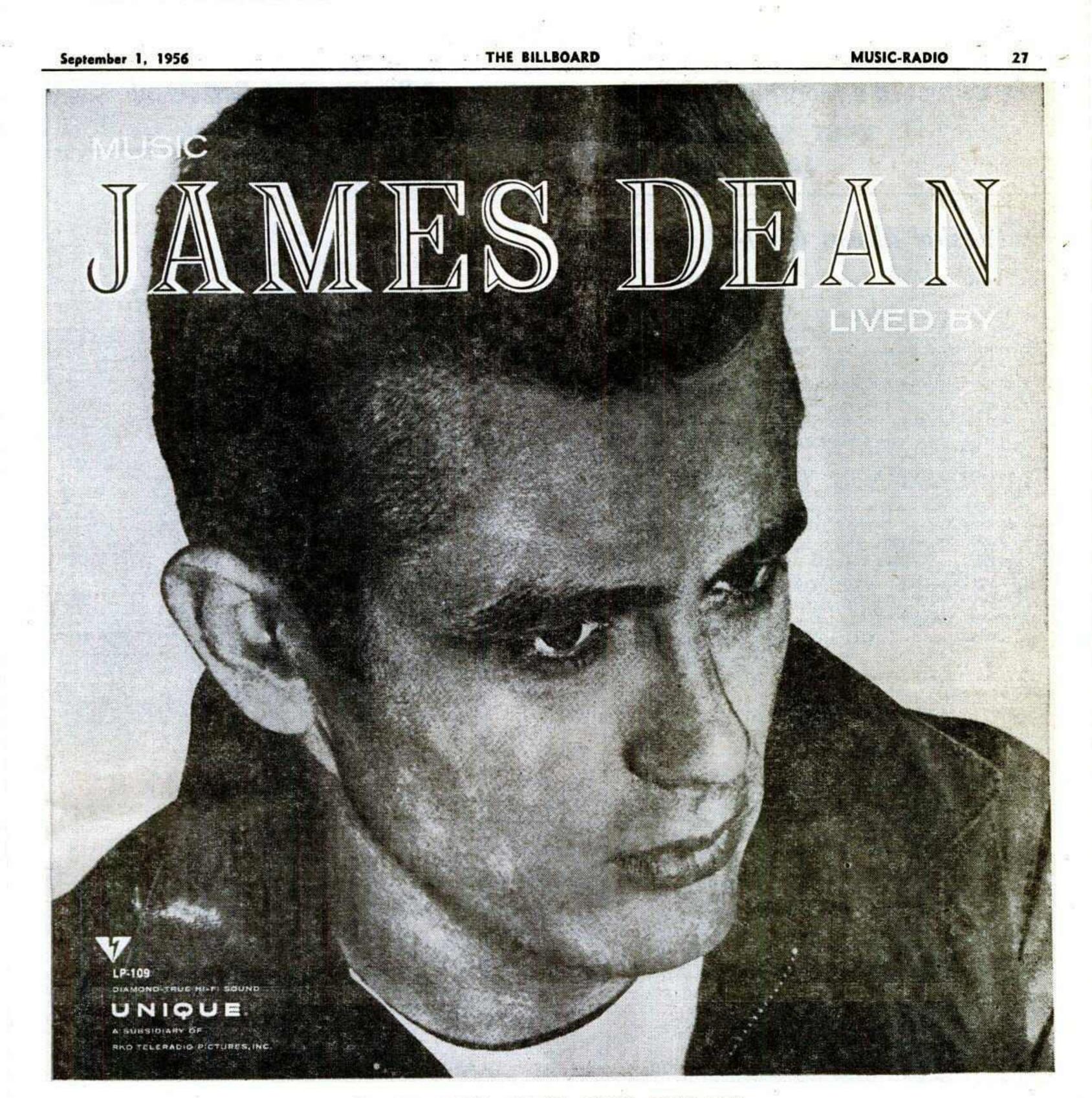
to progressive jazz. The Kenton aggregation has seldom sounded more dynamic or more purposefully virtuosic. Each composition brings out different talents of the ork: "Congo Valiente" is a study in sonorities, with choir building on choir to a magnificent climax; "Recuerdos" is graceful, sinuous, a bit exotic; "La Suerte de los Tontos" sustains to the last the mood of dancing and celebration. The va-riety and vitality of this LP ought to make it one of this fall's best-sellers.

Album Cover of the Week CCA Orleans Jama

NEW ORLEANS JAZZ-LOUIS ARM-STRONG, RED ALLEN, ZUTTY SINGLE-TON-Decca DL 8283. A striking cover featuring a colorful oil painting, done with a pallet knife, of three jazz musicians against

| A listing of newer pop albums showing strong trade action, compiled thru a survey of all major markets. These albums figure strongly as potential entries on the national best selling pop albums chart. 1. Lonely GirlJulie London Liberty LRP 3012 | Jazz Albums CUBAN FIRE (1-12")-Stan Kentor T 731 Johnny Richards was composer- six selections that make up th serves unstinting praise for this f ding of Afro-Cuban sounds an | a pallet knii a doodling grill work, Dealers car possibly on photos of t ascinating wed- | fe, of three jazz musicians against backdrop suggesting old French a trade-mark of New Orleans. In use in display for good effect, a dark background along with the artists on this LP. |
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| 2. Champagne Pops Lawrence Welk Coral CRL 57078 | • Reviews and h | Ratings of New / | A <i>lbums</i> |
| 3. Pat Boone Pat Boone | Popular | Classical | Jazz |
| Dot DLP 3012 | PRETTY WILD | BEETHOVEN: VIOLIN SONATA NO. 10 IN G MAJOR, OP. 96; VITALI: CHACONNE (1-12")-David Olstrakh, Violin. Columbia ML 5096 | VELVET CARPET |
| 4. DaydreamsRoger Williams | Dixieland trumpeter, featuring his robust, ribald horn against a string backdrop. As music, it's refreshingly | This last and "most intimate" of Bee- thoven's Violin Sonatas gets a loving, masterfully undestanding reading here. A | Shearing, for the first time, with strings. The sound produced is rich and plush-of more appeal to the |
| Kapp 1031 | different, and the tune choice is not the usual soporific fare. This could be something of a sleeper. Includes "Sugar," "Blue Again," "Just a | reading to be treasured, even with other fine interpretation (notably Heifetz's) available. The "Chaconne" is a brilliant audience-thriller and Oistrakh brings it | pop customer than to jazz connois- seurs. Material consists of standards mostly unrecorded by him before: "September Song," "Autumn Leaves," |
| 5. Passport to Romance Percy Faith | Gigolo," etc | off with breathtaking skill. Rounding out the final side are Brahms' "Lullaby and | "A Foggy Day," "I'll Close My Eyes," etc. A colorful, romantic pro- |
| Columbia CL 880 | (1-12") Columbia CL 887 | "Hungarian Dance No. 11" and Men- delssohn's "On Wings of Song." | gram that can be expected to have broad general appeal. |
| Most Played by Jockeys Albums are ranked in order of the greatest number of plays on disk jockey radio shows thruout the country. Results are based on The Billboard's weekly survey among the nation's disk jockeys. SONGS FOR SWINGIN' LOVERS-Frank Sinatra. Capitol W 653 HIGH SOCIETY-Sound Track | Columbia's George Avakian has dis- covered an unique and versatile song stylist who can do jazz, pop and, one suspects, some rock and roll. Here, the backing is jazz bent, with arrangements by top modernists. Altho the guy apparently can do about anything with a song, his appeal is somewhat special. If he gets heavy deejay support, he could break big. Retailers should give him a try. SONGS I WISH I HAD SUNG | STRAVINSKY: "THE FAIRY'S KISS ("Le Baiser de la Fee") (1-12")—The Cleveland Orchestra; Igor Stravinsky, Cond. Columbia ML 5102 | THE BOSS OF THE BLUES |
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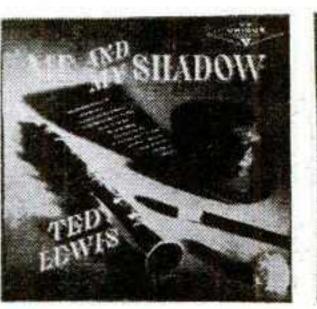
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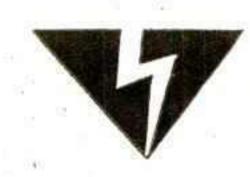


LP-107 DOLLY'S LULLABY-



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The Billboard's Monthly Recap of **BEST SELLING CLASSICAL AND** DACKAGED DECOR

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| Oistrakh, Philadelphia Or | chestra (Ormandy) | Columbia ML 5085 | MAIN TITLE | shows. Sides include "Memories of You," "It's Funny to Everyone But Me," "I Don't Stand a Ghost of a Chance With You," and "Always." |
| 3. BEETHOVEN: Symphony Philadelphia Orchestra (Or | No. 5; MOZART: Symphony No. 4 mandy). | | Coral CRL 57065 Here's an interesting package for dee- | |
| 4. PUCCINI: Madame Butter | fly Suite-Andre Kostelanetz Orchest | raColumbia CL 869 | jays. Its theme (title tunes from, recent movies) readily lends itself to | MELANCHOLY BARY |
| RACHMANINOFF: Piano Istomin, Philadelphia Orch | Concerto No. 2- estra (Ormandy) | Columbia ML 5103 | mike chatter, while the presence of Cates and Jacobs on one LP pro- vides variety, sound-wise. The album (a collection of aingles) spotlights | Jubilee 1026 Miss Reese in her first album displays a touch for the torchy, with con- siderable vitality, on a pleasing selec- |
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| | Minor for Two Violins; BACH: Violi ia Orchestra (Ormandy) | | SONG FAVORITES OF GEORGIA GIBBS | CAT AT THE CONSOLE |
| 9. RIMSKY-KORSAKOFF: S | cheherazade-Pittsburgh Symphony (S | Steinberg)Capitol P 8305 | A number of "Her Nibs'" biggest single hits have been grooved here. | The best thing about this LP, a col- lection of pleasant organ instrumental |
| 10. GROFE: Grand Canyon Su | ite-Boston Pops Orchestra (Fiedler). | RCA Victor LM 1928 | With the stopper color cover shot of the gal in red strapless gown, this | solos on 14 standards by Patty Hanley,- is Amalia Schultess' atten- |
| Detroit Symphony (Paray) | KORSAKOFF: Capriccio Espagnol- | | adds up to a highly salable package. Here are, for example, "Dance With Me, Henry" with "Tweedle Dee." It's bound to have a healthy sale and | tion-getting cover-photo of a beauti- ful cat (feline not homo sapiens). Since no copy appears on the al- bum's front cover the LP will un- |
| CONTRACTOR AND A CONTRACT | Boston Pops Orchestra (Fiedler) | RCA Victor LM 1985 | dealers can put it on prominent display. | doubtedly grab off plenty of initial attention from the curious and cat |
| 13. TCHAIKOVSKY: Swan La NBC Symphony (Stokows) | ke, Acts 2 and 3— | | Contraction of the second s | lovers. |
| name ward as and interface words. Another words | er Suite-NBC Symphony (Toscanini) | ALMORATE CONTRACTOR METAL DEVELOPMENT | BLUE MOON | GYPSY SERENADE |
| 15. STRAVINSKY: Fire Bird | ALL REALING THE MANAGEMENT OF THE REAL PROPERTY OF | 2) El | The velvety voice of Carmen McRae, a prime deejay favorite, should pull plenty of play for this LP on the | Regent MG-6005 Radics and his family, ranging from ages 5 thru sisters, brothers, aunts |
| | tos Nos. 1 and 4-Krebbers, Grumiau | | coast-to-coast jockey circuit. Selec- tions, wrapped up in alternately | and uncles, join here to present 11 gypsy tunes, featuring Radics himself |
| 17. OPERATIC RECITAL NO. | 3-Renata Tebaldi | London LL 1354 | swingy and torchy vocals include such poignant standards as the title tune, "I Was Doing All Right," and "Lush | on the violin. A top-flight entry in its category. |
| 18. RAVEL: Daphnis Et Chloe- | -Boston Symphony (Munch) | RCA Victor LM 1893 | Life." Backing on four sides is pro- vided by Tadd Dameron, while | BEAUTIFUL MUSIC TOGETHER |
| 19. BRAHMS: Double Concert | | | Jimmy Mundy is the ork on eight selections. | Jerry Caretta, Piano (1-12") Coral CRL 57042 |
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| 20. RUBINSTEIN PLATS LIS | ZT | | Ray Martin Ork (1-12") Capitol T 10017 | age is designed for dancers, but also makes for pleasant listening. Sides |
| | | | "Capitol of the World" package packs plenty of mood charm for car- | include "To Love Again," "You're My Everything," "Fools Rush In" |
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| No. 5; MOZART: Symphony | RCA Victor LPM 1248 | THE COLE PORTER SONG | lay shows. Excellent cover art. | The Castilians (1-12") Decca DL 8279 |
| No. 40–Ormandy | 2. ELVIS PRESLEY | BOOK Verve MGV 4001, 2 2. STAN KENTON IN HI-FI | DANCER'S DELIGHT | This is a tango addict's field day featuring a dozen sinuous stepping rhythms to which the late Rudolph |
| 2. BEETHOVEN: · Symphonies Nos. 5 and 8-Toscanini | RCA Victor LPM 1254 | Capitol W 724 | | Valentino strutted his stuff, Practi- cally all are standards in their idiom |
| 3. BEETHOVEN: Symphony | 3. SONGS FOR SWINGIN' | 3. AMBASSADOR SATCH- | Carroll's more danceable singles for a distinctive varied program. Jocks will | and the Castilians under baton of Victor Young give them elegant pro- |
| No. 3Steinberg | LOVERS-Frank Sinatra Capitol W 653 | Louis Armstrong | cludes: "Fancy Pants," "In a Little | jection with accordion lead predomi- nating. As a dance recording of this |
| 4. BEETHOVEN: Symphonies | 4. BELAFONTE-Harry Bela- | 4. JAZZ: RED HOT AND | Spanish Town," "Gadabout," and "Music Makers." | rhythm, platter is all that could be desired, but sales will be limited to its particular addicts. |
| Nos. 1 and 9-Toscanini RCA Victor LM 6009 | fonte. RCA Victor LPM 1150 | COOL-Dave Brubeck Columbia CL 699 | SAMPLER: FLYING SAUCERS | |
| 5. DVORAK: Symphony No. 5– - Toscanini | 5. THE PLATTERS | KRUPA AND RICH-Gene Krupa and Buddy Rich | (1-12") Today's Records FS X-1 | MUSIC FOR HAPPY DANCERS |
| 6. TCHAIKOVSKY: Symphony | 6. FOUR FREHMEN AND | Clef MGC 684 | The title of this bargain \$1.49 I.P is obviously designed to cash in on the | Ron Terry, who has a regular TV polka show on WGN-TV, Chicago, presents 12 polkas and waitzes that |
| No. 6-Monteux | FIVE TROMBONES | COAST CONCERT-Bobby HackettCapitol T 692 | nit disk ocing the best-selling "sam- | should have great appeal in the areas within range of the TV station, and |
| 7. TCHAIKOVSKY: Symphony | Capitol T 683 | 7. FONTESSA - Modern Jazz | served up in similar arrangements, | to loyers of the polka elsewhere, Vocal group sings some of the |
| No. 5-Mitropoulos | LONELY GIRL-Julie Lon- donLiberty 3012 | QuartetAtlantic 1231 8. CHRIS CONNOR | nals performance-wise, include 10 current chart tunes - "Wayward | selections and the lively, bouncy band " does well with good arrangements. Sides include such standards as "The |
| BRAHMS: Symphony No. 1– Steinberg Capitol P 8340 | 8. PAT BOONE. Dot DLP 3012 | Atlantic 1228 | etc. Title gimmick and low-price | Blue Skirt Waltz," "Helena Polka," "Tic Toc Polka" and "Kissin' Polka," |
| 9. BRAHMS: Symphony No. 2- | 9. STARRING AL HIBBLER | 9. THE BENNY GOODMAN STORY, VOLS. 1 AND 2- | should help this package move out briskly sales wise | |
| Munch RCA Victor LM 1959 | Decca DL 8328 | Sound Track | ETHEL MERMAN: | EVELYN MacGREGOR SINGS |
| 10. BEETHOVEN: Symphony No. 5; SCHUBERT: Sym- | 10. SONGS OF THE SOUTH- | Decca DL, 8252, 8253 10 JAZZ GO TO COLLEGE- | (2.12") | Miss MacGregor capably sings 12 oldies, backed by the Songmaster's |
| phony No. 8-Munch RCA Victor LM 1923 | Norman Luboff | Dave Brubeck | A de luxe packaged collection of | Quartette who, themselves sing quite a few of the selections. Group some- |
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• Reviews and Ratings of **New Popular Albums**

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| 20 | JALL FASA | | THE CREW CUTS ON THE CAMPUS | across the country. Selections-all featuring Waring's sprightly tempo |
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| 11 E E E E E E E E E E E E E E E E E E | Albums | are ranked in order of their national | (1-12") Mercury MG 20140 The "Cuts" get on a strictly collegiate | and pleasant vocal stints by various soloistsinclude "The Ballad of Davy Crockett," "Zip-a-Dee Doo-Dah," etc. |
| Classical Albu | Ims (Over-all) sales str | ength at the retail level as determined by of top dealers in all key markets this | kick with this latest LP and timed as it is to hit at the opening of a new | |
| | month. | s | college and football season, it should do right well with deejays and at | TIME OUT FOR TEARS |
| 1. TCHAIKOVSKY: 1812 Ov Minneapolis Symphony (Do | erture; Capriccio Italien— rati) | Mercury MG 50054 | are such items as "Mr. Touchdown, U. S. A.," "Betty Coed," "Whitfen- | The boys present 12 singles, never packaged, including some of their |
| 2. MENDELSSOHN: Violin | Concerto; MOZART: Violin Concert | o No. 4- | poof Song," etc. | one-time hit records. Jocks will like this for spot programming or full shows. Sides include "Memories of |
| Oistrakh, Philadelphia Oro | chestra (Ormandy) | Columbia ML 5085 | MAIN TITLE | You," "It's Funny to Everyone But Me," "I Don't Stand a Ghost of a |
| 3. BEETHOVEN: Symphony Philadelphia Orchestra (Orr | No. 5; MOZART: Symphony No nandy) | 40- | (1-12") Coral CRL 57065 Here's an interesting package for dee- | Chance With You," and "Always." |
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| 13. TCHAIKOVSKY: Swan Lal | ke. Acts 2 and 3- | | display. | attention from the curious and cat lovers. |
| and the second | i) | | BLUE MOON | GYPSY SERENADE |
| | r Suite-NBC Symphony (Toscanini) | RCA Victor LM 1986 | Decca DL 8347 The velvety voice of Carmen McRae, | Gabor Radics Family Ork (1-12") Regent MG-6005 |
| 15. STRAVINSKY: Fire Bird Orchestre De La Suisse Ro | mande (Ansermet) | London LL 1272 | a prime deejay favorite, should pull plenty of play for this LP on the | Radics and his family, ranging from ages 5 thru sisters, brothers, aunts and uncles, join here to present 11 |
| 16. PAGANINI: Violin Concert | os Nos. 1 and 4-Krebbers, Grumia | uxEpic LC 3143 | coast-to-coast jockey circuit. Selec- tions, wrapped up in alternately swingy and torchy vocals include such | gypsy tunes, featuring Radics himself on the violin. A top-flight entry in |
| 17. OPERATIC RECITAL NO. | 3-Renata Tebaldi | London LL 1354 . | poignant standards as the title tune, "I Was Doing All Right," and "Lush | its category. |
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| BRAHMS: Double Concert Stern, Rose, New York Phil | o in A Minor— harmonic (Walter) | Columbia ML 5076 | selections. | Coral CRL 57042 Twelve piano solos by Jerry Caretta, |
| 20. RUBINSTEIN PLAYS LIS | ZT | RCA Victor LM 1905 | RAINY NIGHT IN LONDON | formerly with Sammy Kaye and later accompanist to Don Cornell. Pack- age is designed for dancers, but also |
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| Nos. 5 and 8-Toscanini RCA Victor LM 1757 | 3. SONGS FOR SWINGIN' | Capitol W 724 | merciny has packaged some of | Valentino strutted his stuff. Practi- cally all are standards in their idiom and the Castilians under baton of |
| BEETHOVEN: Symphony | LOVERS-Frank Sinatra | 3. AMBASSADOR SATCH- Louis Armstrong | distinctive varied program. Jocks will continue to use these profusely. In- | Victor Young give them elegant pro- jection with accordion lead predomi- |
| No. 3SteinbergCapitol P8334 | | 4. JAZZ: RED HOT AND | cludes: "Fancy Pants," "In a Little Spanish Town," "Gadabout" and | nating. As a dance recording of this rhythm, platter is all that could be desired, but sales will be limited to |
| BEETHOVEN: Symphonies Nos. 1 and 9-Toscanini | 4. BELAFONTE-Harry Bela- fonte. RCA Victor LPM 1150 | COOL-Dave Brubeck Columbia CL 699 | real and the second | its particular addicts. |
| DVORAK: Symphony No. 5- | 5. THE PLATTERS | 5. KRUPA AND RICH-Gene | OF LATEST TOP TUNES | MUSIC FOR HAPPY DANCERS |
| Toscanini RCA Victor LM 1778 | Mercury MG 20146 | Krupa and Buddy Rich Clef MGC 684 | Today's Records FS X-1 The title of this bargain \$1.49 I.P is | Ron Terry, who has a regular TV polka show on WGN-TV, Chicago, |
| TCHAIKOVSKY: Symphony No. 6-Monteux | 6. FOUR FREHMEN AND | 6. COAST CONCERT-Bobby | trade gag about the "Flying Saucer" | presents 12 polkas and waltzes that should have great appeal in the areas |
| TCHAIKOVSKY: Symphony | FIVE TROMBONES Capitol T 683 | HackettCapitol T 692 7. FONTESSA – Modern Jazz | pler" on the market. Selections, served up in similar arrangements. | within range of the TV station, and to lovers of the polka elsewhere, Vocal group sings some of the |
| No. 5-Mitropoulos Columbia ML 5075 | 7. LONELY GIRL-Julie Lon- | QuartetAtlantic 1231 | albeit definitely inferior to the origi- nals performance-wise, include 10 | selections and the lively, bouncy band does well with good arrangements. |
| BRAHMS: Symphony No. 1- | donLiberty 3012 | 8. CHRIS CONNOR | wind," "Standing on the Corner," etc. Title gimmick and low-price | Sides include such standards as "The Blue Skirt Waltz," "Helena Polka," |
| Steinberg Capitol P 8340 BRAHMS: Symphony No. 2- | 8. PAT BOONE. Dot DLP 3012 9. STARRING AL HIRRIER | 9. THE BENNY GOODMAN | should help this package move out | "Tie Toe Polka" and "Kissin' Polka." |
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Curly Russell, Bass; Art Blakey, Drums (1-12")

Blue Note 1521

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Re-issue of material formerly on 10-inch, and worthy inventory for all shops with modernist clientele. The prophetic label once again has chosen artists in advance of their fame, and built valuable property. Blakey, Silver and the late Brown have become disk entities and are growing bigger. On 12-inch, this should sell nicely. "Split Kick" and "Quicksilver" are two of the best known.

NEW ORLEANS JAZZ75 Louis Armstrong Ork, Red Allen Ork, Zutty Singleton Ork, Johnny Dodds Otk, Jimmy Noone Ork (1-12") Decca DL \$283

cross-section of clarinet style: Sidney Bechet being featured with Armstrong, Edmond Hall with Allen and Zutty, and the late Dodds and Noone. Plenty of meat here for traditionalists and library builders; also for historic jazz radio segs.

major roles,

Decca DI. 82221

(1-12")

Fred Waring and the Pennsylvanians

Waring's old 10-inch LP "Song Hits

From Disney Films" has been con-

verted to a 12-inch package and

acquired a powerful sales asset in its

new title, since Disneyland is still

the fun mecca to most youngsters

Wilburde Paris and His New Orleans Ja72 (1-12") Atlantic 1233 Selections are re-issued from two (Continued on page 30)

I UIN a Merman biog by Louis Untermeyer with photos and caricatures of her in (1-12") Decca DL 8248

These are 14 tunes closely identified with Barl Ives: "Blue Tail Fly," "Boll Weevil," "Big Rock Candy Mountain," "Erie Canal," etc. The majority carry guitar-only accompaniment but in some cases ork and chorus back-up is added. There's always a good market for Ives and this stacksk up with the best of his previous slicings.



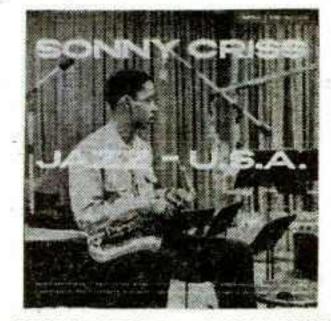


LEONARD ROSENMAN

Imperial LP-9021



LP-9004 ROCK AND ROLLIN' with FATS DOMINO Ain't It a Shame, Bo Weevil, Poor Me, etc.



LP-9006 JAZZ U.S.A.—SONNY CRISS These Foolish Things, Somethings Gotta Give, Sweet Georgia Brown, etc.



LP-9009-FATS DOMINO ROCK AND ROLLIN'

I'm In Love Again, My Blue Heaven, When My Dreamboat Comes Home, etc.



LP-9010—WILD BILL DAVIS ON BROADWAY Autumn Leaves, My Funny Valentine, Perdido, etc.

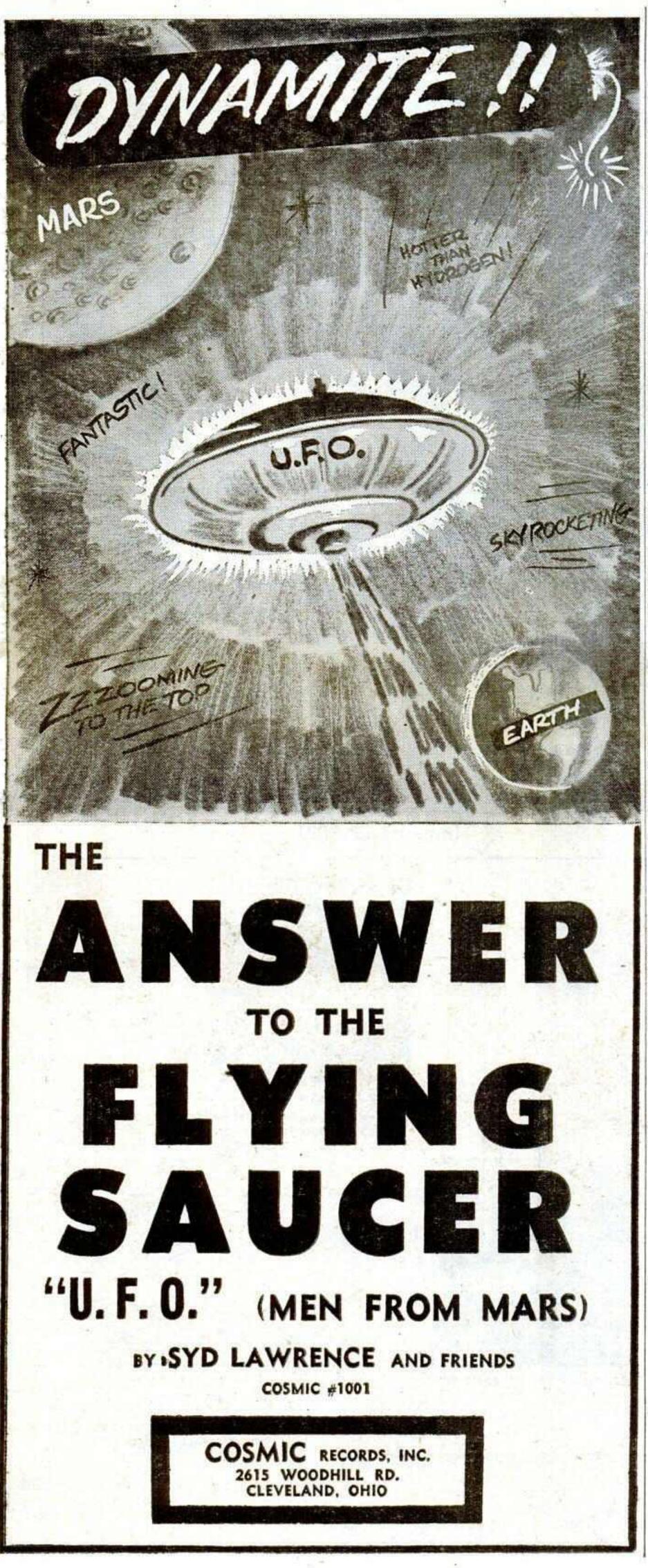




LP-9020-GO MAN! IT'S "SONNY CRISS" IN MODERN JAZZ

Summertime, After You've Gone, How High The Moon, etc.





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"name" appeal to this package. Lev Oborin has not yet made an appearance here, but sophisticated discophiles know and value him. His Rachmaninoff is sensitive and sensible, deserving of attention despite current competition. By present standards, the reproduction of orchestral sound is quite disappointing. This is also true of the Kabalevsky, which makes its first appearance in the LP catalog. The superb playing of Gilels compensates.

VERDI: LA TRAVIATA (2-12") - La Scala Opera; Tullio Serafin, Director.

Elgar's "Sea Pictures" are new to the LP catalog. They consist of five songs with orchestral accompaniment, and range from the torpid "Sea Slumber Song" to "The Swimmer," in which the elements are unleashed. The late Gladys Ripley, tho not in her best voice, gives a dramatically moving performance. "In the South" is a more colorful work and, albeit a little lengthy, sustains interest. Weldon's ork plays superbly and does much to raise the stock of this littleknown Elgar.

This is the first Oistrakh Bruch available, but the Mendelssohn will suffer from the recent saturation attained by the CoLEKEU: SONATA IN G AND OTHER SELECTIONS (1-12")—Yehudi Menuhin, Violin. RCA Victor LM 201470 Menuhin in one of his specialties, a warm, romantic post-Franckian French sonata. He plays it with relish, and faces no disk competition. Second side is filled out with five encore pieces, several rarely heard. Nin's "Granadina" is especially attractive. Gerald Moore is his pianist on the short pieces. A gem of a violin disk for dealers with the clientele.

The wonderful music receives a ladylike, undramatic performance by Miss Jambor. It's the fourth complete collection of these on disks, and the first on two, rather than three 12-inchers. Otherwise, there's not too much to get excited about.

Spoken Word

Highlights of the President's career from his broadcast to the European underground on D-Day to his announcement that he would run again. Sequences are well integrated for over-all clarity and effectively introed by Ted Mallie. Package is moderately interesting as an historical document and its release is timely in view of the current Republican National Convention and its subsequent implications. Could spark considerable interest on latter basis, but appeal is otherwise limited.

lumbia version by Oistrakh (a \$2.98 Buyof-the-Month). Colosseum's taping of that work is better sounding than most of its product, while the sound of the Bruch is obviously souped-up and somewhat harsh. Nevertheless, it's fine fiddling, and the real Oistrakh fans will buy it.

BACH: SONATA FOR TWO VIOLINS AND PIANO; MOZART: CONCERTO NO. 4 IN D (1-12")-David Otstrakh, Violin; Igor Otstrakh, Violin; Vladimir Yampolsky, Piano; National Philharmonic Orchestra; Kiril Kondrashin, Cond. Colosseum CRLP 24671 Apparently this is the first disking of the lovely two-violin sonata, and that will sell the disk in fair quantities. The Mozart, in a new American-cut version, was the recent Columbia Buy-of-the-Month (coupled with the Mendelssohn), and souping-up does not hide the in-feriority of this Russian recording. Previous sales of the best-selling Columbia have drained off most of the market for this one, but some stores can stock it for the Bach. Weak cover.

Religious

The famous Hungarian cantor, whose life was detailed on a "This Is Your Life" telecast earlier this year, offers a dozen holy songs. The package is released to tie in with the Jewish holiday season, which should give sales a solid spurt. In addition to this, the Cantor's appearance on the TV show is being repeated via film, bringing added promotion values. The readings are of a high order, sung in a moving spirit by the finely trained voice with a three-octave range. Aside from Holiday aspects, the material is an excellent addition to collector's shelves.



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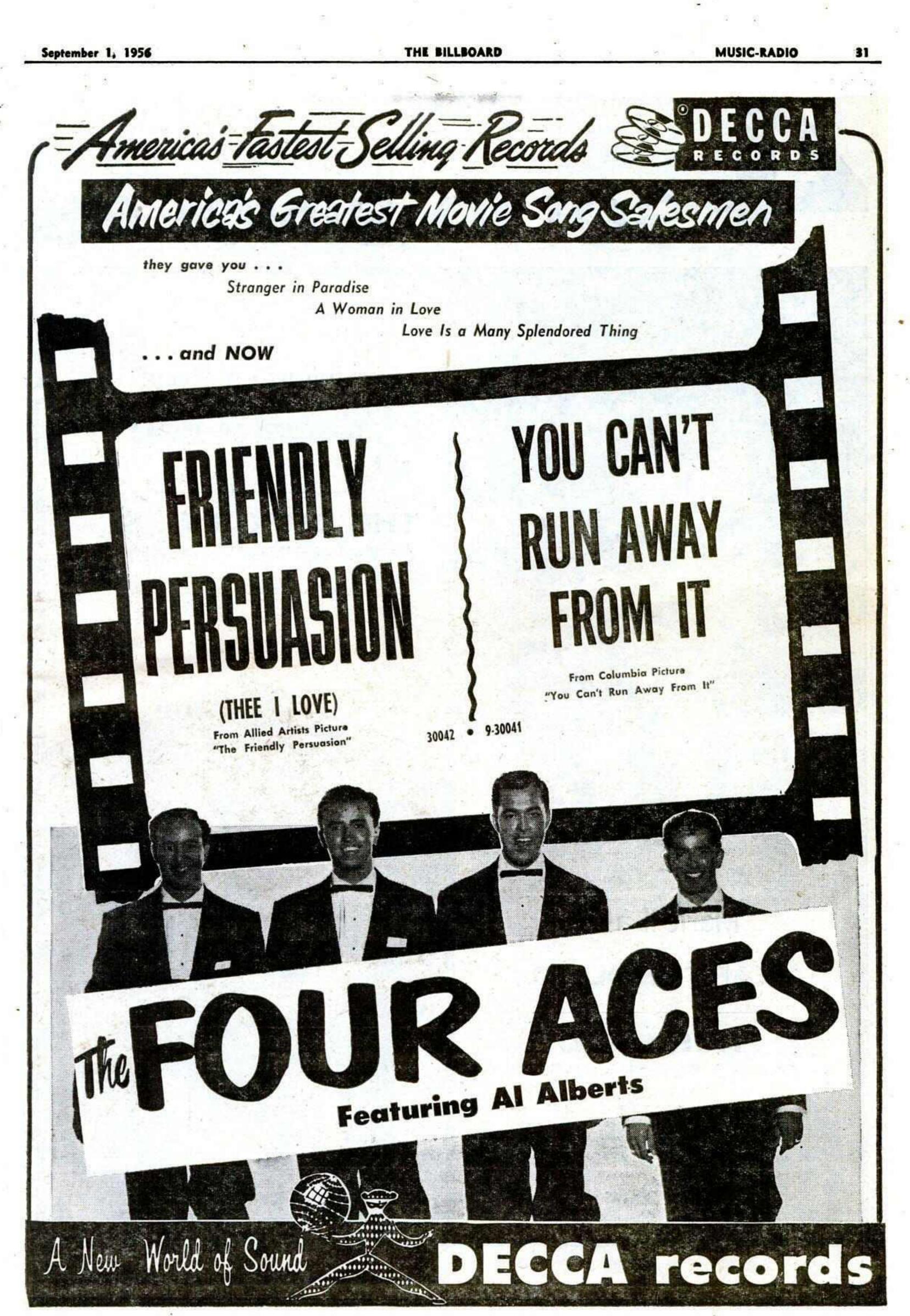
10-inchers (ALP 141 and 143), both of which had been steady sellers. The 12-incher should do even better. Excellent traditional jazz by men with modern technique. Up-dated style of veteran clarinetist Omer Simeon especially pleasing. Good demo band: "Under the Double Eagle."

ABC-Paramount ABC 122 Ex-jazz Messenger Dorham in his first disk with his own group. The idiom is rugged post-bop, like the Messengers, but Dorham's trumpet is heavily featured. J. R. Monterose is on tenor, Dick Katz on plano, etc. "Blues Elegante" is one of the more satisfying tracks in a competent, down-to-carth session. Planist Katz is especially diverting. Surprisingly good set featuring two unkowns—Stewart on the brass tenor horn, and a real comer in Steve Lacy on soprano sax. Latter is the first modernist to score with the instrument. Relaxed, swinging tempos thruout. Other bright new face include Whitey Mitchell, Joe Puma, Herbie Mann, Dave McKenna and Al Levitt. The names won't sell it, but dealer and deejay pushing might.

A well-chosen anthology of barrelhouse and boogie woogie piano drawn from Brunswick and Vocalion masters of the 1926-1930 period. Volume 1 will be treasured by collectors for its five outstanding Pine Top Smith selections. It also includes stomps, blues and boogies by Cow Cow Davenport, Montana Taylor and Rufus Perryman. The two giants in Volume 2 are Jelly Roll Morton and James P. Johnson and they, too, are represented with some of their best known recordings. The LP is rounded out by Alex Hill, Frank Melrose and Mary Lou Williams. Sound is amzingly good.

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FSOLID SINGLES

Julius La Rosa

NAMELY YOU

(from the Broadway Production, "Li'l Abner")

THE OPPOSITE SEX

(from the M-G-M Film, "The Opposite Sex") 20/47-6648 with Joe Reisman's Orchestra and Chorus

Mario Lanza EARTHBOUND

THIS LAND

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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. | 18 | 6. Don't Be Cruel By Otis Blackwell-Published by Elvis Fresle BEST SELLING RECORD: E. Presley, Vic | |
| 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. | 29 | 7. Wayward Wind By Stan Lebousk-Herb Newman-Published I BEST SELLING RECORD: G. Grant, Era 1 RECORDS AVAILABLE: T. Ritter, Cap 34 | 1013. |
| 3. | Hound Dog By J. Leiber and M. Stoller—Published by Elvis Presley Music & Lie BEST SELLING RECORD: E. Presley, Vic 20-6604. RECORD AVAILABLE: F. Bell-Bellboys, Mercury 70919. | 3 5 on Masic (BMI) | 8. I Almost Lost My Min By Hunter-Published by Hill & Range (BM REST SELLING RECORD: P. Boone, Dot RECORD AVAILABLE: I. J. Hunter, M-G- | I) 15472. |
| 4. | Allegheny Moon By Hoffman-Manning-Published by Oxford (ASCAP) BEST SELLING RECORD: P. Page, Mercury 70878. DECORDS AVAILABLE: G. Martin Five, Dec 30022; B. Regis, Weik-Lennon Sisters, Coral 61679. | 4 10 Vic 20-6551; L. | 9. Flying Saucer By Buchanan & Goodman-Published by Li BEST SELLING RECORD: Buchanan & Go | universe 10 4 |
| 5. | 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. | 77 | 10. I Want You, I Need Y By Maurice Mysels & Ira Kosloff-Published BEST SELLING RECORD: E. Presley, Vic | by Elvis Presley Music (BMI) |

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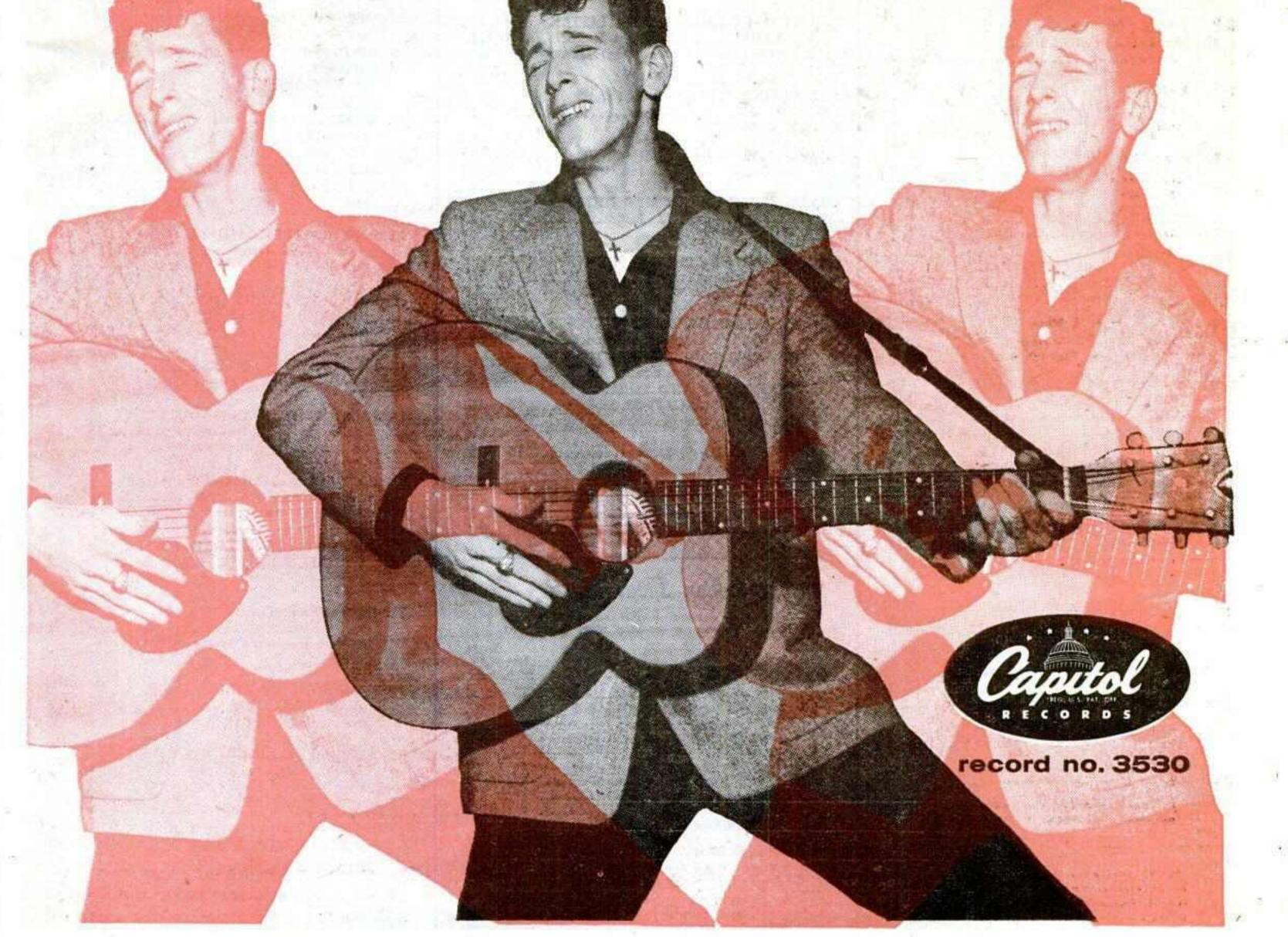
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| 12. | Sweet Old-Fashioned Girl By Bob Merrill-Published by Valor (ASCAP) BEST SELLING RECORD: T. Brewer, Coral 61636. | ,11 | 11 | Coral 61710. 17. Born to Be With You By Don Robertson-Published by E. H. Morris (ASCAP) BEST SELLING RECORD: Chordettes, Cadence 1291, |
| 13. | On the Street Where You Live By Lerner & F. Lowe-Published by Chappell (ASCAP) BEST SELLING RECORD: V. Damone, Col 40654. RECORDS AVAILABLE: A. Fielder, Vic 20-6569; E. Fisher, Vic 20-6529; | | 17 | RECORD AVAILABLE: L. Dee, Mercury 70870. 18. Fool By Naomi Ford—Published by Debra Music (BMI) 20 |
| 14. | Coral 61644; F. Wayne, Epic 9153, | 2 | 11 | BEST SELLING RECORDS: S. Clark, Dot 15481; Gailahads, Jubilee 5252. 19. It Only Hurts for a Little While 17 14 By Mack David & Red Spielman—Published by Advanced Music (ASCAP) |
| | By Tom Glader & Alex Alstone-Published by Shapiro-Bernstein (ASCAP) BEST SELLING RECORD: P. Como, Vic 20-6554. | | 100 | BEST SELLING RECORD: Ames Brothers, Vic 20-6481. 19. Moonglow and Theme From Picnic 18 2 |
| 15. | Be-Bop-a-Lula By Sheriff Tex Davis-Gene Vincent-Published by Lowery Enterprises (BMI) BEST SELLING RECORD: G. Vincent, Cap 3450. | S ASSESS | 10 | Re Madada Dalama & Mills (Donalas), Bublished by Mills Columbia Bio |
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| 22. | Somebody Up There Likes Me By Sammy Cahn & Bronislau Kaper-Published by Leo Feist (ASCAP) RECORD AVAILABLE: P. Como, Vic. 20-6590. | . = | 1 | 27. Rip It Up By Blackwell & Marascalco-Published by Venice (BMI) RECORDS AVAILABLE: Little Richard, Specialty 579; B. Haley, Dec 30028. |
| `23 . | You Don't Know Me By C. Walker & E. Arnold-Published by Hill & Range (BMI) RECORDS AVAILABLE: E. Arnold, Vic 20-6502; J. Vale, Col 40710; C. Dec 29949. | McRae, | 6 | 28. Pienie By George Dunning & S. Allen-Published by Shapiro-Bernstein (ASCAP) RECORDS AVAILABLE: S. Allen, Coral 61620; B. Bregman, Vic 20-6471; G. Dun- ning, Dec 29888; McGuire Sisters, Coral 61627; R. Marterie, Mercury 70836. |
| 24. | By Doggett, Sheperd, Scott & Butler-Published by Bilace (BMI) | - | 1 | 28. Walk Hand in Hand By J. Cowell-Published by Republic (BMI) RECORDS AVAILABLE: T. Martin, Vic 20-6493; D. Vaughn, Kapp 143; A. Williams, |
| 95 | RECORD AVAILABLE: B. Doggett, King 4950. | | | Cadence 1288. |
| 20. | That's All There Is to That By Ciyde Otis & Kelly Owens-Published by Meridian (BMI) RECORD AVAILABLE: Nat (King) Cole, Cap 3456. | 23 | 5 | 30. After the Lights Go Down Low -] By Allen White & LeRay Lovett—Published by Harvard (BMI) RECORD AVAILABLE: A Hibbler, Dec 29982. |
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| | Music Popularity Charts POP RECORDS | September 1, 1956 |
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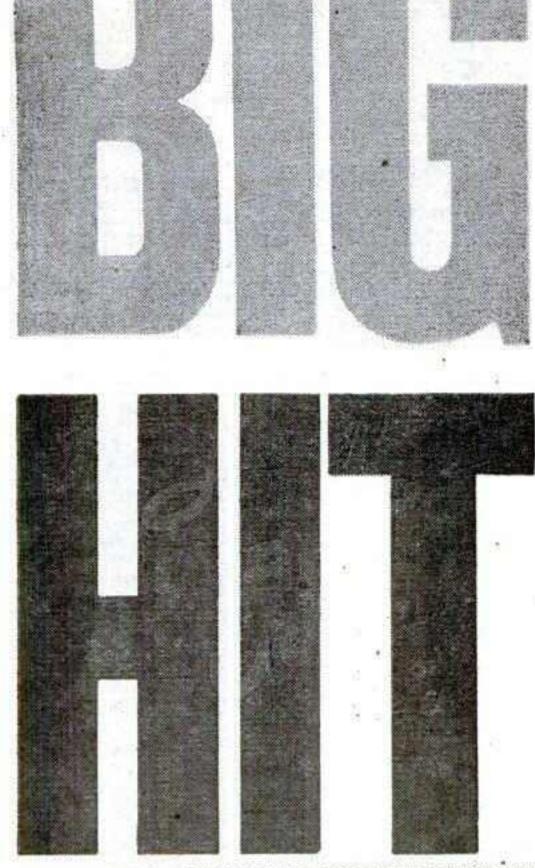
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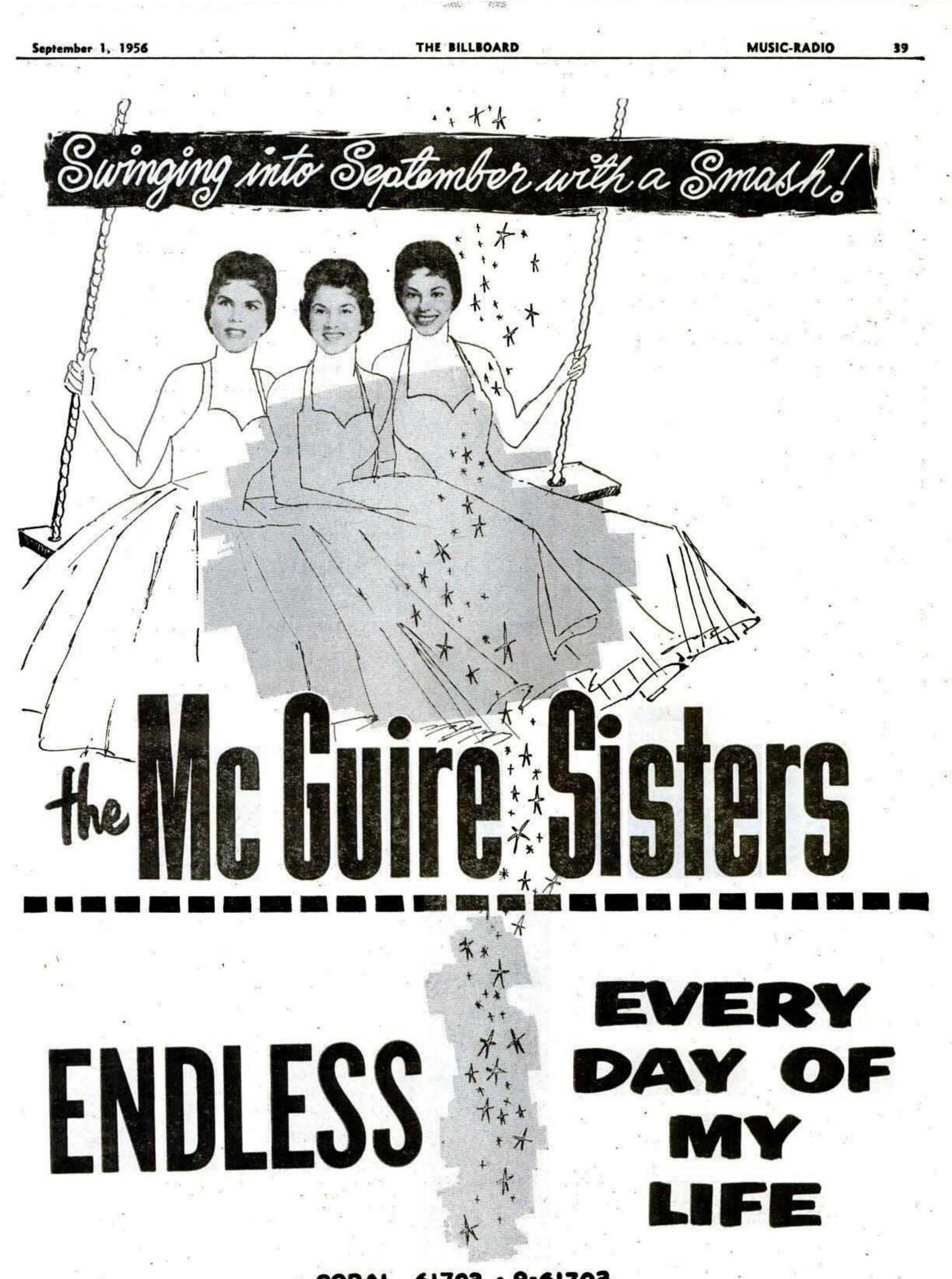
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September 1, 1956

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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.

2. Let the Good Times Roll Shirley and Lee (BMI) Aladdin 3325

4. Ka Ding Dong..... The G-Clefs (BMI) Pilgrim 24971

5. The Old Philosopher Eddie Lawrence (BMF) Coral 61671

6. Rip It Up Bill Haley (BMI) Decca 30028

| 7. The Fool. | | •• | • | • | • • | • • | • | • | • | | . The | Galla | hads |
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| | 4 3 | | | | | | | | | 0 | (BMI) | Jubilee | 5252 |

8. The Bus Stop Song

A House With Love in It The Four Lads

(ASCAP) Columbia 40736

9. In the Middle of the House · · Vaughn Monroe ASCAP) RCA Victor 6619

10. In the Middle of the House Rusty Draper

(ASCAP) Mercury 70921

• THIS WEEK'S BEST BUYS

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

KA DING DONG (Greta, BMI) - The G-Clefs - Pilgrim 24971 - A "sleeper" that has snowballed into formidable proportions in the past few weeks and encouraged several companies to cover it. Sales are good with both pop and r.&b. customers, notably in Cleveland, Buffalo, Boston, New York, Philadelphia, St. Louis, Pittsburgh and Detroit. Flip is "Darla, My Darlin'" (Greta, BMI).

THE BUS STOP SONG (Miller, ASCAP)

- A HOUSE WITH LOVE IN IT (Evans, ASCAP)-The Four Lads-Columbia 40736-The Lads have a strong double-header here that is starting to repeat the sales performance of their last big hit. "Bus Stop" is the lead tune, but the flip is enjoying above-average success in many cities, too. Minneapolis, Milwaukee, Philadelphia, Providence, Baltimore, Chicago, Pittsburgh and St. Louis were among the markets where this disk has been taking off. A previous Billboard "Spotlight" pick.
- IN THE MIDDLE OF THE HOUSE (Shapiro-Bernstein, ASCAP)-Vaughn Monroe-RCA Victor 6619
- IN THE MIDDLE OF THE HOUSE (Shapiro-Bernstein, ASCAP)-Rusty Draper-Rusty Draper-Mercury 70921-Not many novelties show the staying power that this material has. Equally remarkable is the fact that two versions of it have done so well. The Victor artist has an over-all lead at this point, but not an overwhelming one. Rusty Draper has several strong markets in his pockets-others definitely veer to Monroe. Either-or bothcould wind up in the charts. The flip of Monroe's disk is "Rollin' Heart" (Coliseum, BMI), while that of Rusty Draper's is "Fink Cadillae" (Four Star Sales, BMI).

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Last Week



THE TOP 100 For survey week ending August 22

A list of the Top 100 RECORD SIDES in the nation according to a COMBINED TABULATION of Dealer, Disk Jockey and Juke Box Operator replies to The Billboard's weekly popular record Best Seller and Most Played surveys. Its purpose is to provide Disk Jockeys with additional programming material - and to give trade exposure to NEWER records just beginning to show action in the field.

Pos. Song. Artist. Label

| 1. MY PRAYER-Platters, Mercury | 1 |
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| 2. HOUND DOG-E. Presley. Victor | 3 |
| 2. WHATEVER WILL BE, WILL BE-Doris Day, Columbia | 2 |
| 4. DON'T BE CRUEL-E. Presley, Victor | 6 |
| 5. ALLEGHENY MOON-P. Page, Mercury | 3 |
| 6. I ALMOST LOST MY MIND-P. Boone, Dot | 5 |
| 7. CANADIAN SUNSET-H. Winterhalter-E. Heywood, Victor | 11 |
| 8. FLYING SAUCER-Buchanan & Goodman, Luniverse | 9 |
| 9 WAYWARD WIND-G. Grant. Era. | 7 |
| 0. I WANT YOU, I NEED YOU, I LOVE YOU-E. Presley, Victor | 8 |
| 1. SWEET OLD-FASHIONED GIRL-T. Brewer, Coral | |
| 2. SONG FOR A SUMMER NIGHT-M. Miller, Columbia | |
| 3. BORN TO BE WITH YOU-Chordettes, Cadence | |
| 14. MORE-P. Como, Victor | 12 |
| 15. FOOL-S. Clark, Dot | 19 |
| 16. BE-BOP-A-LULA-G. Vincent, Capitol | 14 |
| 16. TONIGHT YOU BELONG TO ME-Patience & Prudence, Liberty | |
| 18. IT ONLY HURTS FOR A LITTLE WHILE-Ames Brothers, Victor | |
| 19. ON THE STREET WHERE YOU LIVE-V. Damone, Columbia | |
| 20 CANADIAN SUNSET-A. Williams, Cadence | |
| 20. YOU DON'T KNOW ME-J. Vale, Columbia | |
| 22. THAT'S ALL THERE IS TO THAT-N. (King) Cole, Capitol | |
| 23. MOONGLOW AND THEME FROM "PICNIC"-M. Stoloff, Decca | |
| 23. SOFT SUMMER BREEZE-E. Heywood, Mercury | |
| 25. WHEN MY DREAMBOAT COMES HOME-F. Domino, Imperial | |
| 26. SOMEBODY UP THERE LIKES ME-P. Como, Victor | |
| 27. AFTER THE LIGHTS GO DOWN LOW-A. Hibbler, Decca | |
| 28. FABULOUS CHARACTER-S. Vaughan, Mercury | |
| 29. HONKY TONK-B. Doggett, King | |
| 30. GLENDORA-P. Como, Victor | 23 |
| 31. PM IN LOVE AGAIN-F. Domino, Imperial | |
| 32. RIP IT UP-B. Haley, Decca | |
| 33. APE CALL-N. Norvus, Dot. | |
| 34. OLD PHILOSPHER-E. Lawrence, Coral | |
| 35. STRANDED IN THE JUNGLE-Cadets, Modern | 28 |
| 36. GHOST TOWN-D. Cherry, Columbia | |
| 37. RIP IT UP-Little Richard, Specialty | |
| 38. WEARY BLUES-McGuire Sisters, Coral. | 47 |
| 39. MAMA, TEACH ME TO DANCE-E. Gorme, ABC-Paramount | 51 |
| 40. I ONLY KNOW I LOVE YOU—Four Aces, Decca. | |
| 40. MOONGLOW AND THEME FROM "PICNIC"-G, Cates, Coral | 39 |
| 49. MOUNGLOW AND THEME FROM "PICNIC -G. Cales, Coral | |

| 40. | MOONGLOW AND THEME FROM "PICNIC"-G. Cates, Coral | 46 |
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| 43. | HAPPINESS STREET-G. Gibbs, Mercury | 39 |
| 44. | LOVE, LOVE, LOVE-Clovers, Atlantic. | 45 |
| 45. | WHEN THE WHITE LILACS BLOOM AGAIN-H. Zacharaias, Decca. | - |
| 46. | SO-LONG-F. Domino, Imperial. WITH A LITTLE BIT OF LUCK-Fontane Sisters, Dot | 44 |
| 46. | WITH A LITTLE BIT OF LUCK-Fontane Sisters Dot | - |
| 48. | THEME FROM "THE PROUD ONES"-N. Riddle, Capitol | 50 |
| 49 | STANDING ON THE CORNER-Four Lads, Columbia | 33 |
| 50 | GIVE US THIS DAY-J. James. M-G-M. | 54 |
| 51 | ENGLISH MUFFINS AND IRISH STEW-S. Syms, Decca. | 63 |
| | TREASURE OF LOVE-C. McPhatter, Atlantic | |
| | WAVWARD WIND T Bitter Control | .30 |
| | WAYWARD WIND-T. Ritter, Capitol. | 48 |
| | LOVE, LOVE, LOVE-Diamonds, Mercury. | |
| | LET THE GOOD TIMES ROLL-Shirley & Lee, Aladdin. | |
| 20. | PORTUGUESE WASHERWOMAN-J. (Fingers) Carr, Capitol | 39 |
| 57. | ST. THERESE OF THE ROSES-B. Ward, Decca | 100 |
| | TRUE LOVE-J. Powell, Verve | 74 |
| 59. | BUS STOP SONG-Four Lads, Columbia | 98 |
| 59. | TRUE LOVE-Four Aces, Decca | 80 |
| 61. | HAPPINESS STREET-T. Bennett, Columbia | 79 |
| 61. | YOU'RE SENSATIONAL-F. Sinatra, Capitol | 63 |
| 63. | STRANDED IN THE JUNGLE-Jay Hawks, Flash | 50 |
| 64. | CASUAL LOOK-Six Teens, Flip | 75 |
| 65. | HOUSE WITH LOVE IN IT-Four Lads, Columbia | - |
| 66. | ITALIAN THEME-C. Stapleton, London | |
| 67. | FOOL-Gallahads, Jubilee | 64 |
| | TEEN-AGERS MOTHER-B. Haley. Decca | |
| 69. | IN THE MIDDLE OF THE HOUSE-V. Monroe, Victor | |
| 70. | KA DING DONG-G. Clefs, Pilgrim | 92 |
| 71. | MIRACLE OF LOVE-E. Rodgers, Columbia | 68 |
| 72. | CLAY IDOL-D. Johnson, Bally | 72 |
| | FROM THE CANDY STORE ON THE CORNER-T. Bennett, Columbia, | |
| 74. | WALK HAND IN HAND-T. Martin, Victor | 67 |
| 75. | I DON'T WANT NOBODY-W. Herman, Capitol | 80 |
| 76. | IT'S BETTER IN THE DARK-T. Martin, Victor | |
| 77. | MY DREAM SONATA-N. (King) Cole, Capitol | 94 |
| 78. | | 68 |
| 79. | STRANDED IN THE JUNGLE-Gadabouts, Mercury | 53 |
| 80. | IN A SHANTY IN OLD SHANTY TOWN-S. Smith. Epic | 88 |
| 80. | IN THE MIDDLE OF THE HOUSE-R. Draper, Mercury | - |
| 82. | EXPERIMENTS WITH MICE-J. Dankworth, Capitol | 61 |
| | TRANSFUSION-N. Norvus, Dot | |
| 84. | LOLA'S THEME-M. Mathieson, Columbia | 88 |
| 85. | SEE SAW-Moonglows, Chess | - |
| \$6. | BEAUTIFUL FRIENDSHIP-E. Fitzgerald, Decca | |
| 87. | TUMBLING TUMBLEWEEDS-R. Williams, Kapp | 84 |
| 88, | JOHNNY CONCHO THEME-F. Sinatra, Capitol | 91 |
| 89. | HOW LUCKY YOU ARE-J. James, M-G-M | 99 |
| 98. | HEAVEN ON EARTH-Platters, Mercury | 57 |
| 91. | DREAM ALONG WITH ME-P. Como, Victor | - |
| 92. | PICNIC-McGuire Sisters, Coral | 58 |
| 93. | HAPPY WHISTLER-D. Robertson, Capitol | 82 |
| 94, | HEARTBREAK HOTEL-E. Presley, Victor | 96 |
| 94. | IVORY TOWER-C. Carr, Fraternity | 64 |
| 94. | I'M JUST WALKING IN THE RAIN-J. Ray, Columbia | |
| | I PROMISE TO REMEMBER-Teen-Agers, Gee | |
| 98. | IN THE ALPS-McGuire Sisters & L. Welk, Coral | 91 |
| 99. | HEART HIDE AWAY-C. Carr. Fraternity | - |
| 0 0 . | BOPPIN' THE BLUES-C. Perkins, Sun | 90 |
| 00. | WHEN THE WHITE LILACS BLOOM-F. ZaBach, Mercury | - |
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CAUTION TO DEALERS AND JUKE BOX OPERATORS

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| WATCH TH | HESE GREA | T MERCUR | RY RELEASES | | | | | |
|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| CHUCK "Vim Vam Vamoose" AND COOL IT BABY" MERCURY 70942 | | | | | | | | |
| A REAL ROCKER! MIKE SARGEA AND HIS SARGEANTS "My Baby Done Left Me" AND "Bobby Sox Baby" MERCURY 70945 | SWINGING THE POLKA! BUDDY MORROW AND HIS ORCHESTRA "Teen Polka" AND "Don't Cry Joe" MERCURY 70944 | BY POPULAR DEMAND! THE PENGUINS "Earth Angel" AND "Ice" MERCURY 70943 | HOT GROUP! THE FALCONS "Baby That's It" AND "This Day" MERCURY 70940 | | | | | |
| GREAT ACT! THE TYRONES "Year Round Love" AND "My Rock 'n Roll Baby" MERCURY 70939 | OUTSTANDING BALLAD! EDDY HOWARD "Thank You Lord" AND "Never, Never, Never" MERCURY 70746 | HOT ARTIST! EDDIE HEYWOOD "My Secret Love" AND "Let's Fall In Love" MERCURY 70950 | ROCK ISLAND STAR! LONNIE DONEGAN "Bring A Little Water, Sylvie" AND "Dead Or Alive" MERCURY 70949 | | | | | |



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| 60- | 85, | Satisfactory |
| \$0- | 39, | Limited |
| 0- | 49, | Poor |
| 60- 50- | 89, 59, | Satisfactory Limited |

| 1 | Namely You |
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| | COLUMBIA 40746 - Cherry sells a |
| | delightful ballad from the forthcoming Broadway musical, "Li'l Abner." Excel- |
| | lent version. Brighter in tempo than the Julius La Rosa waxing spotlighted above. |
| 31 | (Commander, ASCAP) |
| 1 | f I Had My Druthers80 |

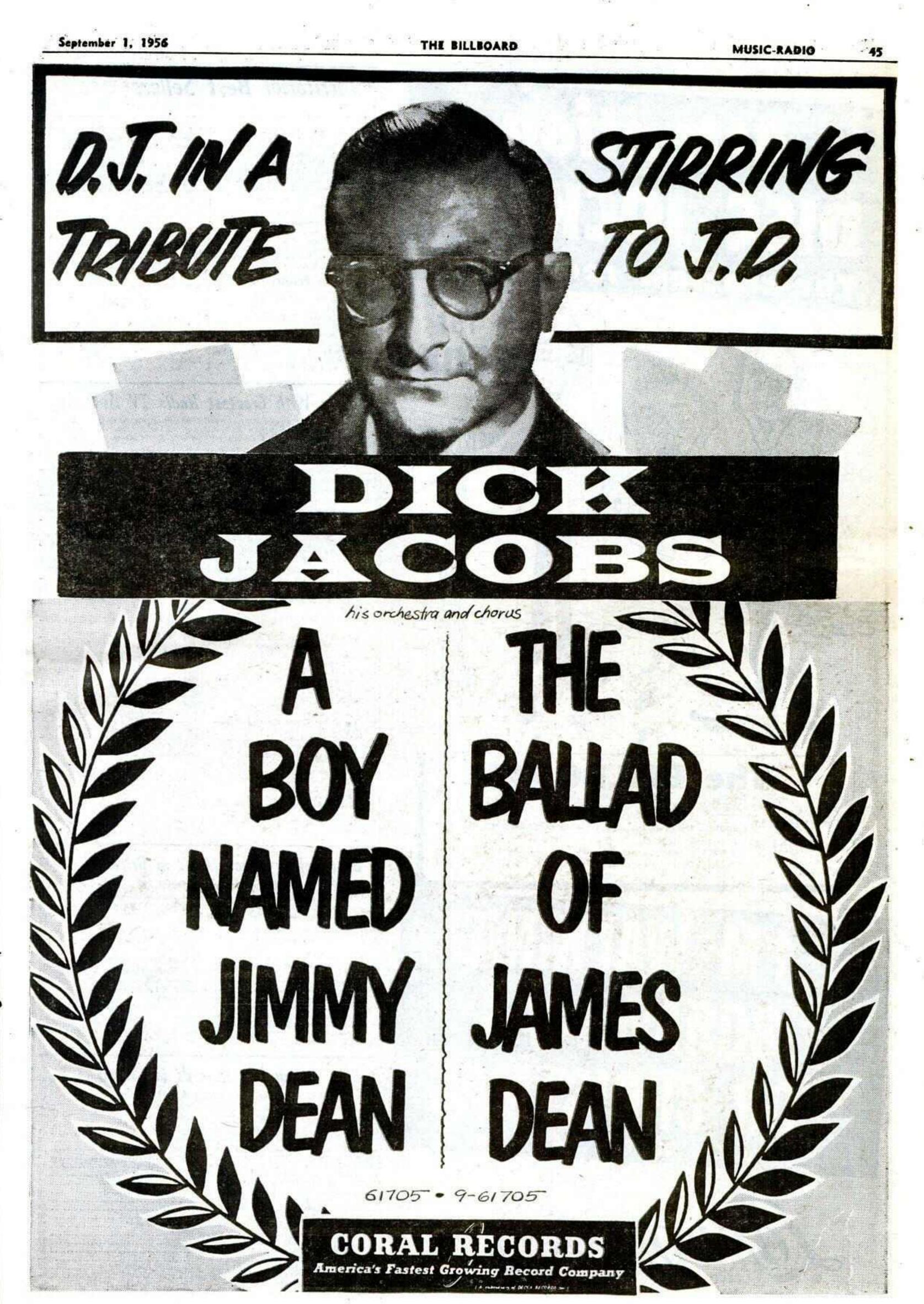
novelty with clever lyrics. Tune is also from "Li'l Abner" score. (Commander, ASCAP)

will like this, and dealers will do okay with the smart coupling. (Witmark, ASCAP)

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| 100 | Chappell—ASCAP |
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| BMI | I Was Telling Her About You (R)- |
| hree Keys-ASCAP | Planetary-ASCAP |
| -Bernstein-ASCAP | If I'm Elected (R)-Bourne-ASCAP |
| ou Live (R) (M)- | Ivory Tower (R)-E. H. Morris-ASCAP |
| | Jacques D'Irague (R)-Laurel-ASCAP |
| E. B. Marks-BMI | Love, Love, Love (R)-Progressive-BMI |
| n (R) - Remick- | Moonglow (R) (F)-Mills-ASCAP |
| iy Lane-BMI | No, Not Much (R)-Beaver-ASCAP |
| ikes Me (R))F)- | Old Philosopher (R)-Merrick-BMI |
| | On the Street Where Lou Live (R) (M)- |
| (R) (M)-Frank- | Chappell-ASCAP |
| ALTER ACTACION IN DESCRIPTION | Serious Business (R)-Embassy-BMI |
| nat (R)-Meridian- | Since My Love Has Gone (R)-Dartmouth- ASCAP |
| amous-ASCAP | Standing on the Corner (R) (M)-Frank- |
| ton Hill-ASCAP | BMI . |
| rman-BMI | That's All There Is to That (R)-Meridian- |
| Kahn-ASCAP | ASCAP |
| Be (R) (F)-Artists | Tonight You Belong to Me (R)-Bregman, Vocco & Conn-ASCAP |
| Bloom Again (R)- | Wayward Wind (R)-Warman-BMI |
| | Weary Blues (R)-Melrose-ASCAP |
| (F)-Buxton Hill- | With a Little Bit of Luck (R) (M)- |
| | Chappell—ASCAP . |
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| This Week | Printed thru the courtesy of the "New Musical Express," Britain's Foremost Musical Publication. | 3 | Last Week |
|--------------|--|---|--------------|
| 1. WF | HATEVER WILL BE, WILL BE-Doris Day (Philips) | | 1 |
| | IY DO FOOLS FALL IN LOVE?-Teen-Agers (Columbia) | | |
| | EET OLD-FASHIONED GIRL-Teresa Brewer (Vogue/Coral) | | |
| | ALK HAND IN HAND-Tony Martin (HMV) | | |
| | OUNTAIN GREENERY-Mel Torme (Vogue/Coral) | | |
| 6. RO | CKING THROUGH THE RYE-Bill Haley Comets (Brunswick) | | 9 |
| | ARTBREAK HOTEL-Elvis Presley (HMV) | | |
| | L BE HOME-Pat Boone (London) | | |
| | YWARD WIND-Tex Ritter (Capitol) | | |
| | RENADE-Slim Whitman (London) | | |
| | IO ARE WE?-Ronnie Hilton (HMV) | | |
| | INTS ROCK AND ROLL-Bill Haley Comets (Brunswick) ' | | |
| | ALK HAND IN HAND-Ronnie Carroll (Philips) | | |
| | LMOST LOST MY MIND-Pat Boone (London) | | |
| | AYWARD WIND-Gogi Grant (London) | | |
| | -BOP-A-LULA-Gene Vincent (Capitol) | | |
| 17 1 1 | VANT YOU, I NEED YOU, I LOVE YOU-Elvis Presley (HMV) | | 20 |
| 18 10 | NG, TALL SALLY-Pat Boone (London) | | 40 |
| | IN LOVE AGAIN—Fats Domino (London) | | |
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- DOT 15494-Sock instrumental cover version of the Bill Doggett smash can do okay in r.&b., r.&r. and country belts. A good two-sided dance disk for the younger set. (Billace, BMI)
- Lonely Cryin' Heart 76 Slower mood piece is fine for jocks, too. (Randy-Smith, ASCAP)

KAY CARSON

- ual standard, "This Train," is dressed up with a new lyric and a sock performance by Kay Carson and Neal Hefti's ork. (Ludlow, BMI) Are You Equal to the Task?....75
- Solid thrushing on a hard-driving rhythm tune with a strong beat. (Taylor, ASCAP)

TOMMY LEONETTI

- Secretly 75 CAPITOL 3510-Real nice warbling by Leonetti on this ballad, which has promise. Gordon Jenkins ork supplies fine backing. (Leeds, ASCAP) Go Buy the Ring 74
- Pleasant tune saying when you're hooked, go get the ring. Artist adds flavor to the side, and it rates spins. (Republic, BMI)

BUDDY MORROW ORK

- MERCURY 70944 - Morrow serves up some interesting deejay wax with a mambo version of the oldie, spotlighting some amusing special-material chatter by Suzanne Stuart and Don Trube. (Harms, ASCAP)
- Teen Polka....73 Sprightly polka instrumental side with a swingy, danceable beat. (Big Beat, ASCAP)

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CORAL 61700-Babe Ruth's record (Continued on page 52)

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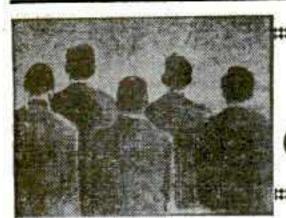
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Please be patient, European Dists. As soon as we get all the translations from Berlitz you'll be re-

XOX JOX By JUNE BUNDY

are saying plenty about Presley no repeats) for almost 26 hours. these days, but one thing they The experiment was received so evidently can't do is ignore him. enthusiastically by listeners, that Program director-jockey Robin McCullough has received requests Seymour, WKMH, Detroit, for in- to stage similar "marathons" with stance, recently took a stand Glenn Miller and Tommy Dorsey against playing Presley records on disks. . . . Altho rock and roll rechis show, following the singer's ords are not played over KVOA, controversial appearance on Mil- Tucson, Ariz., Rus Jackson makes ton Berle's TV show. However, good use of r.&r. platters received after receiving "500 letters" from by handing them out to teen-agers teen-agers who threatened to boy- at a local record hop. cott his show, Seymour wrote an open letter to his erstwhile fans, which appeared on the front page of a local newspaper, "Teen Life." In it he explained that now that Presley was keeping his gyrations under wraps (e.g. his recent guest stint on Steve Allen's show) the rock and roll artist was persona grata again on Seymour's program.

Some of the anti-Presley jocks are rather violent about the whole thing. Terry Mc-Guire, WCMC, Wildwood, N. J., writes: "As a Christian I could not morally justify playing the music of Mr. P. I would like to begin an organization (of deejays) to help eliminate certain wreck and ruin artists." . . . Altho rela-tively unexcited about the situation, Bob Day, WNIX, St. Johnsbury, Vt., is also anti-Presley. He writes: "Altho we must cater to the public's musical likes to a great extent, we in this business should not, nevertheless, praise and foster what we truly believe to be obviously poor taste."

PRESLEY? WHO HE?: Funniest Presley story this week was

ELVIS PRESLEY: Deejays the band leader exclusively (with

Teen-agers are enlisted as programming geniu es at WHEC, Rochester, N. Y., according to jockey Ferland. Every Saturday on his show, "Spins 'n' Needles," Ferland interviews a panel of five youngsters, and asks them to vote for the record they think "most likely to succeed." The winning disk is then spun at least once a day for the next week by every jockey on the station, including Eddie Meath and Bob E. Lloyd.

RATING GRADE: A unique contest is conducted at KNUX, Houston (a top-rated station), as an incentive to boost ratings. The jock who shows the greatest percentage increase in ratings during the next rating period will be rewarded

YESTERYEAR'S TOPS-

The nation's top tunes on records as reported in The Billboard

AUGUST 31, 1946:

- 1. To Each His Own
- 2. Surrender
- 3. The Gypsy
- 4. Five Minutes More







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C&W Best Sellers in Stores

| For survey week ending | Aug | ust 22 |
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| 1. CRAZY ARMS (BMI)-R. Price | | 13 |
| HOUND DOG (BMI)-E. Presley DON'T BE CRUEL (BMI)-Vic 20-6604 | 3 | 5 |
| 3. I WALK THE LINE (BMI)-J. Cash | | 13 |
| 4. SEARCHING (BMI)-K. Wells | 4 | 9 |
| I WANT YOU, I NEED YOU, I LOVE YOU, (BMI)- E. Presley | 5 | 14 |
| 6. BE-BOP-A-LULA (BMI)-G. Vincent | 6 | 9 |
| 7. SWEET DREAMS (BMI)-F. Young | . 7 | 11 |

- Until I Met You (BMI)-Cap 3443 8. YOU ARE THE ONE (BMI)-C. Smith...... 9 DOORSTEP TO HEAVEN (BMI)-Col 21522
- 9. I TAKE THE CHANCE (BMI)-J. E. & M. Brown.... 8 13 Goo Goo Dada (BMI)-Vic 20-6480
- We'll Find a Way (BMI)-Dec 29974
- 11. MY LIPS ARE SEALED (BMI)-J. Reeves......14 Pickin' a Chicken (BMI)-Vic 20-6517
- I Was the One (BMI)-Vic 20-6420
- 13. CONSCIENCE I'M GUILTY (BMI)-H. Snow......11 Hula Rock (BMI)-Vic 20-6578
- 14. YOU DON'T KNOW ME (BMI)-E. Arnold...... Rockin' Mockin' Bird (BM1)-Vic 20-6502
- 15. BOPPIN' THE BLUES (BMI)-C. Perkins......15 All Mama's Children (BMI)-Sun 243

Most Played C&W by Jockeys

For survey week ending August 22

SIDES are ranked in order of the greatest number of plays on disk jockey radio shows thruout the country according to The Billboard's weekly survey of top disk lockey shows in all key markets. Wecks

| Week | | | | Weck | | Chart | |
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| 1. (| CRAZY | ARMS-R. | Price | e | 1 | 15 | |

Reviews of New **C&W** Records SONNY BURGESS

- SUN 247-Jumping, pounding boogie is shouted and orked with plenty of spirit. Wild side should get plenty of Southern action, r.&b.-wise too. (Hi-Lo, BMI) Red-Headed Woman 80
- An equally wild opus, A coupling to watch. (Hi-Lo, BMI)

GEORGE MORGAN

- COLUMBIA 21548 - "If you want marriage and all the trimmings, stay away from me, says Morgan, in this humorous, catchy tune. Should be good material for jukes and jocks and should move in the stores. (Acuff-Rose, BMI) Artist warbles this country weeper
- with sincerity and comes up with a strong coupling. (Acuff-Rose, BMI)

SKEETS McDONALD

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CAPITOL 3525-An attractive cover of George Jones' recent hit. Mc-Donald brings out the humor of this material with a knowing touch. Some territories that Did not exploit the Jones disk could still do a good job on this. (Starrite, BMI) Somebody....75

A fair-to-middlin' ballad which Mc-Donald styles appealingly, Moderate play-and sales-predicted. (Central, BMD)

CURTIS GORDON

MERCURY 70933-A guy crashes a party to drown his sorrow. A showmanly vocal by Gordon on a jaunty rhythm-novelty with clever lyrics. (Tree, BMI)

Hey, Mr. Sorrow.....76 Plaintive warbling stint on a moving weeper with interesting lyrics. (Tubb, BMD

WYNN STEWART

CAPITOL 3515-Sincere warbling on this slow love ballad where God winds up as the keeper of the keys proves to be a fine entry for Stewart and good for sales and spins. (Vide, ASCAP)

Slowly But Surely....74

BMD

Stewart is losing his girl at a pace described in title. Has a stop and

go beat which is effective. (Central,

This Week's C&W Best Buys

- I'M A ONE-WOMAN MAN (Cedarwood, BMI)-Johnny Horton-Columbia 21538-Somewhat like his last big hit-"Honky Tonk Man"-this release started off rather quietly, but has gradually become a powerful chart contender. This week it made an appearance on the Houston territorial chart and was also selling well in Nashville, Dallas, Durham and Birmingham. Flip is "I Don't Like I Did" (Golden West, BMI).
- THE MOTHER OF A HONKY TONK GIRL (Tannen, BMI)-Jim Reeves and Carol Johnson-RCA Victor 6620-A fast mover, this disk has been available in most areas only two weeks and yet is making strong impact. Not only were traditional Southern markets seeing nice volume, good reports were also returned from the West Coast and important Midwestern sources. Flip is "According to My Heart" (Cedarwood, BMI).

Review Spotlight on . . . **C&W RECORDS**

THE LOUVINS

Cash on the Barrel Head (Acuff-Rose, BMI)

You're Running Wild (Acuff-Rose, BMI)-Capitol 3523-Here's a record that will probably not be denied its place on the charts. The boys produce two strong sides, with Ira Louvin as the featured lead on "Cash," a bouncy, country novelty with yock lyrics. Both harmonize on the flip, a slow ballad in traditional style with fancy strumming.

JANIS MARTIN

My Boy Elvis (Hill & Range, BMI)

Little Bit (RFD, ASCAP)-RCA Victor 6652-Two strong sides here too. "My Boy Elvis," for obvious reasons, figures to get initial attention. Flip is another fine country rock and roll effort by the 16-year-old chirp. Both sides have pop possibilities.

GENE VINCENT

Gonna Back Up Baby (Fairway, BMI)

2. Crazy Arms, R. Price, Col.

4. I'm So in Love With You

Wilburn Brothers, Dec.

6. Sweet Dreams, F. Young, Cap.

3. Don't Be Cruel, E. Presley, Vic.

Race With the Devil (Central, BMI)-Capitol 3530-Vincent with Presley-styled vocal and echo chamber, has a double-sided entry with pop potential. Solid instrumental backing with hypnotic beat on two country-style rockers makes for a sock coupling. A likely follow-up too.

| | Col 21510—BMI | |
|-----|---|----|
| 2. | 1 WALK THE LINE-J. Cash 2 Sun 241-BM1 | 1: |
| 3. | SWEET DREAMS-F. Young 3 Cap 3443-BMI | 1 |
| | DON'T BE CRUEL-E. Presley 5 Vic 20-6604-BMI | 1 |
| 5. | SEARCHING-K. Wells 4 Dec 29956-BMI | |
| 5. | YOU ARE THE ONE-C. Smith 6 Col 21522-BMI | 1 |
| 7. | I TAKE THE CHANCE-J. E. & M. Brown 9 Vic 20-6480-BMI | 19 |
| | HOUND DOG-E. Presley 8 Vic 20-6604-BMI | 1 |
| 9. | MY LIPS ARE SEALED-J. Reeves | 1 |
| 10. | YOU GOTTA BE MY BABY-G. Jones | |
| 11. | ANY OLD TIME-W. Pierce | Ì |
| 12. | CONSCIENCE, I'M GUILTY-H. Snow | |
| 13. | I WANT YOU, I NEED YOU, I LOVE YOU E. Presley | 1 |
| 14. | I'M SO IN LOVE WITH YOU-Wilburn Brothers12 Dec 29887-BMI | |
| 15. | YOU DON'T KNOW ME-E. Arnold | - |
| | | |

Most Played C&W in Juke Boxes

For survey week ending August 22 RECORDS are ranked in order of the greatest number of plays in juke boxes through the country, as determined by The Billboard's weekly survey of operators using a high proportion of country and western records. When significant action is reported on both sides of a record, Weeks This points are combined to determine position on the chart. Last 00 Week Week Charl 1. I WALK THE LINE (BMI)-J. Cash..... 10 1 **GET RHYTHM** (BMI)-Sun 241 2. CRAZY ARM You Done Me 3. I WANT YO E. Presley. My Baby Left 4. DON'T BE C HOUND DO 5. SEARCHING I'd Rather Sta 6. BE-BOP-A-L Woman Love 7. I'VE GOT F You're Still M .8. SWEET DR Until 1 Met Y 8. ANY OLD T WE'LL FIN 10. SO DOGGO

Folsom Blues

| - | A NOSE MAY & DADY RULE |
|-------|--|
| 10 | COLONIAL 420-All that was in his |
| | jeans was a rose and a candy bar-so |
| | that was his gift to her. Hamilton, |
| 14 | in fine voice, warbles this slow coun- |
| | try love ballad sincerely. Could catch on. (Bentley, BMI) |
| 3 | If You Don't Know |
| | Cute "modern" country tune in which |
| 0 | Hamilton sports a '56 Ford De luxe, |
| • | Lyrics are catchy and artist does |
| | well on this side. Should rate jockey |
| Э | spins. (Bentley, BMI) |
| | |
| 6 | FLOYD TILLMAN |
| 60115 | Baby, I Just Want You |
| 6 | SARG 137—Here is a country ballad with a good beat and artist turning |
| | in a fine performance. Should rate |
| 5 | sales and spins. (L & Q, BMI) |
| | Save a Little for Me69 |
| 15 | Tillman warbles this pleasant tune |
| 10 | (Continued on page 5) |
| | 10 14 3 8 5 6 6 5 15 |

| | BILLY RILEY | a contra anna anter ser Rues |
|-----|--|---|
| ł | Trouble Bound | City-by-city listings are based on late western dealers and luke box operators |
| | trouble bound. Artist sells this strong tune effectively and has great back- ing. Could do well in all fields. | Birmingham |
| | (Hi-Lo, BMI) | 1. Don't Be Cruel, E. Presley, Vic. |
| 1 | Rock With Me, Baby 74 Riley, in a fine performance, presents | 2. Cruzy Arms, R. Price, Col. 3. Be-Bop-z-Lula, G. Vincent, Cap. |
| | another country rock and roll item | 4. Hound Dog, E. Presley, Vic. |
| | with know-how. Should pull its share of coin. (HI-Lo, BMI) | 5. My Lips Are Sealed, J. Reeves, Vic. 6. Boppin' the Blues, C. Perkins, Sun |
| | LOUISE DUNCAN | Charlotte |
| | Gossip | |
| | with pathos on a moving wailer with | 1. Crazy Arms, R. Price, Col. 2. Searching, K. Wells, Dec. |
| | a strong assist from an unbilled male narrator. (Bafield Music, BMI) | 3. Don't Be Cruel, E. Presley, Vic. |
| | Wherever You Are73 | 4. I Walk the Line, J. Cash, Sun 5. I Want You, J Need You, I Love You |
| | Appealing thrushing on a pretty | E. Presley, Vic. |
| | ballad. However, flip is better show- case for her talents. (Bafield Music, | 6. Hound Dog, E. Presley, Vic. |
| | BMI) | 7. I Take if Chance J. E. & M. Brown, Vic. |
| | GEORGE AND EARL | 8. My Lips Are Scaled, J. Reeves, Vic. |
| | Remember and Regret | 9. Sweet Dreams, F. Young, Cap. |
| | MERCURY 70935—The boys warble with sincerity and warmth on a per- sonable ditty which poses the problem | Dallas-Fort Worth |
| | of whether it's better to "forgive and | 1. Crazy Arms, R. Price, Col. |
| | forget or remember and regret." | 2. I Want You, I Need You, I Love You |
| 2 | (Starrite, BMI) Eleven Roses72 6 | E. Presley, Vic. 3. I Walk the Line, J. Cash, Sun |
| | An attractive rhythm tune with a | 4. Don't Be Cruel, E. Presicy, Vic. |
| | catchy beat is handed a polished | 5. Hound Dog, E. Presley, Vic. |
| _ | vocal by George and Earl. (Marmor, BMI) | Honky Tonk Man, J. Horton, Col. Sweet Dreams, F. Young, Cap. |
| | State of the Constant of Constants | 8. Waltz of the Angels, L. Frizzell, Col. |
| | MALCOLM YELVINGTON | 9. Conscience I'm Guilty, H. Snow, Vic. |
| | Rockin' With My Baby | 10. Searching, K. Wells, Dec. |
| 5 | more recent of Sun's string of tal- | Houston |
| | ented rockabillies. This jumber refers to many of the r.&r. hits. May not | |
| | break out of the territories. (HI-Lo, | 1. Crazy Arms, R. Price, Col. 2. Don't Be Cruel, E. Presley, Vic. |
| 5 | BMI) | 3. Hound Dog, E. Presley, Vic. |
| | It's Me, Baby 73 Slower blues side offers a good- | 4. I Walk the Line, J. Cash, Sun |
| | enough warble. (Hi-Lo, BMI) | 5. You Gotta Be My Baby, G. Jones, Sdy. 6. Fm a One Woman Man, J. Horton, Col. |
| | GEORGE HAMILTON IV | 7. Be-Bop-a-Lula, G. Vincent, Cap. |
| | A Rose and a Baby Ruth | 8. Sweet Dreams, F. Young, Cap. |
| | COLONIAL 420-All that was in his | 17/21 |
| | jeans was a rose and a candy bar-so that was his gift to her. Hamilton, | Memphis |
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| ro. | try love ballad sincerely. Could catch | 2. I Walk the Line, J. Cash, Sun 3. Don't Be Cruel, E. Presley, Vic. |
| 1 | on. (Bentley, BMI) If You Don't Know73 | 4. Hound Dog, E. Presley, Vic. |
| | Cute "modern" country tune in which | 5. I Take the Chance |
| | Hamilton sports a '56 Ford De luxe. Lyrics are catchy and artist does | J. E. & M. Brown, Vic. 6. How Far Is Heaven, K. Wells, Dec. |
| 8 | well on this side. Should rate jockey | 7. Tryin to Forget the Blues |
| 0 | spins. (Bentley, BMI) | P. Wagoner, Vic. |
| 3 | FLOYD TILLMAN | Marshuille |
| 18 | Baby, I Just Want You | Nashville |
| 3 | SARG 137-Here is a country ballad | 1. 1 Walk the Line, J. Cash, Sun |

C&W Territorial Best Sellers

For survey week ending August 22

city listings are based on late reports secured from top country and dealers and juke box operators in each of the markets listed.

New Orleans

1. Searching, K. Wells, Dec. 2. I Walk the Line, J. Cash, Sun 3. Any Old Time, E. Arnold, Vic, 4. Be-Bop-a-Lula, G. Vincent, Cap. 5. Crazy Arms, R. Price, Col.

Richmond, Va.

- 1. Crazy Arms, R. Price, Col.
- 2. I Want-You, I Need You, I Love You
- E. Presley, Vic.
- 3. Searching, K. Weils, Dec. 4. I Walk the Line, J. Cash. Sun
- 5. Hound Dog, E. Presley Vic. You, I Need You, I Love You
 - 6. Onle's Bop, O. Wheeler, Col.
 - 7. Sweet Dreams, F. Young, Cap.

St. Louis

- 1. Hound Dog, E. Presley, Vic.
- 2. I Walk the Line, J. Cash, Sun
- 3. Sweet Dreams, F. Young, Cap.
- 4. Be-Bop-a-Lula, G. Vincent, Cap.
- 5. Searching, K. Wells, Dec. 6. I Want You, I Need You, I Love You
- E. Presley, Vic.
- 7. Crazy Arms, R. Price, Col.

LEE JONES

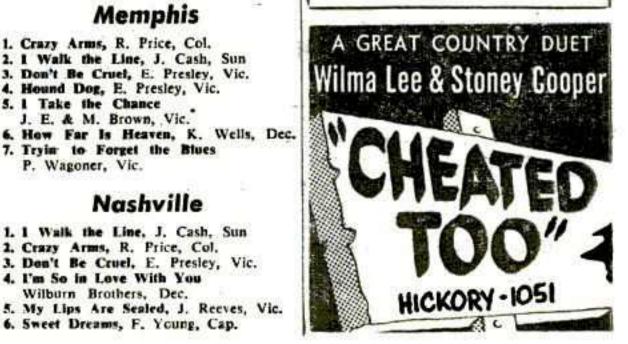
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| Vee-Jay #204 | • R&B Territoria | | • This Week's Re | &B Best Buys |
| "JO JO" _{b/w} | Listings are based on late sales reports s ice from top rhythm and blues dealers an Atlanta 1. Let the Good Times Roll Shirley & Lee, Ala. 2. Flying Saucer Buchanan & Goodman, Lun. | For survey week ending August 22 secured via Western Union messenger serv- id juke box operators in the markets listed. 3. Flying Saucer Buchanan & Goodman, Lun. 4. Hound Dog, E. Presley, Vic. 5. Bad Luck, B. B. King, RPM 6. I Want You, I Need You, I Love You | 4954-Spurred by the current this Doggett-Bostic essay is mo always easy touches for Dog particularly quick on the draw particularly in St. Louis, Cle | Bill Doggett and Earl Bostic-King run-away success of "Honky Tonk, oving out quickly. Juke box operators gett and Bostic anyway, have been w. Retail reports are also very good veland, Pittsburgh and Detroit. Flip n, ASCAP). |
| "OH, WHAT A NIGHT!" | Rip It Up, Little Richard, Spe. I Love You, Baby, J. Reed, VJ Stranded in the Jungle, Cadets, Mod. When My Dreamboat Comes Home F. Domino, Imp. | E. Presley, Vic. 7. Billy's Blues, B. Stewart, Chs. 8. Hum DeDum, Gassers, Cas. 9. I'm in Love Again, F. Doming, Imp. 10. When My Dreamboat Comes Home | • Review Spotlig | ht on |
| | 7. Bad Luck, B. B. King, RPM 8. Up on a Mountain, Magnificents, VJ | F. Domino, Imp. New Orleans | R&B RECORDS | |
| by The Dells | 9. Tore Up Over Yon, Midnighters, Fed. 10. It's Too Late, C. Willis, Atl. | 1. It's Too Late, C. Willis, Atl. 2. Let the Good Times Roll | LITTLE WILLIE JOHN | 2 ²⁸⁰ 28 g |
| VEE-JAY Records, Inc. 2129 S. Michigan Ave. Chicago Phone: CAlumet 5-6141 | Charlotte 1. Let the Good Times Ro'l Shirley & Lee, Ala. 2. Flying Saucer Buchanan & Goodman, Lun. 3. My Prayer, Platters, Mer. 4. Don't Be Cruel, E. Presley, Vic. 5. Hound Dog, E. Presley, Vic. 6. It's Too Late, C. Willis, Atl. | Shirley & Lee, Ala. 3. So-Long, F. Domino, Imp. 4. Flying Saucer Buchanan & Godman, Lun. 5. Rip It Up, Little Richard, Spe. 6. When My Dreamboat Comes Home, F. Domino, Imp. 7. Bad Luck, B. B. King, RPM | the patient is exposed, so si Willie John. In "Nerves," he wreck from the ravages of lov performance that ranks with h | ng 4960—As a "Fever" climbs when hould this powerful dose of Little explains that he is becoming a total e and does it in an intense, dynamic his best. In the flip, "Do Something he sings from deep down inside |
| A SOLID HIT! | 7. Honky Tonk, B. Dogget, Kng. 8. In the Still of the Night, Satins, Emb. | New York 1. Fever, L. W. John, Kng. | LITTLE WALTER | |
| B. B. KING SWEET LITTLE ANGEL b/w BAD LUCK #468 | Soldier of Fortune, Drifters, Atl. Only Time Will Tell, B. Charles, Chs. Chicago My Prayer, Platters, Mer. It's Too Late, C. Willis, Atl. Hound Dog, E. Presley, Vic. Be-Bop-a-Lula, G. Vincent, Cap. Flying Saucer Buchanan & Goodman, Lun. | In the Still of the Night, Satins, Emb. Casual Look, Six Teens, Flp. Please, Please, Please, J. Brown Fed. I Want You, I Need You, I Love You E. Presiey, Vic. Philadelphia Honky Tonk, B. Dogget, Kng. It's Too Late, C. Willis, Atl. Canadian Sunset | Just a Feeling (Arc, BMI)-Ch Southern blues which registers and sincerity. A side that's or | ecker 845—Artist puts his all into a s because of its wailing arrangemen n a par with his past top perform his field. The flip, "Teen-Age Beat" eable instrumental. |
| BAR RECORDS B317 W. Washington Blvd Culver City, Calif. | 6. Don't Go No Further, M. Waters, Chs. 7. Rip It Up, Little Richard, Spe. 8. I Want You, I Need You, I Love You E. Presley, Vic. Cincinnati 1. It's Too Late, C. Willis, Atl. 2. My Prayer, Platters, Mer. | H. Winterhalter-E. Heywood, Vic. 4. Fever, L. W. John, Kng. 5. My Prayer, Platters, Mer. 6. Candy, Big Maybelle, Sav. St. Louis 1. Bad Luck, B. B. King, RPM 2. It's Too Late, C. Willis, Atl. 3. Pleadin' for Love, L. Birdsong, Exc. | styled so that the singer's pop | (Progressive, BMI)—Atlantic 1104- t to a brisk rock and roll beat, and and r.&b. following will be equally (Progressive, BMI), thrush also ha tty melody. |
| IT'S HERE! IT'S BIG! | 3. Canadian Sunset H. Winterhalter-E. Heywood, Vic. 4. Up on a Mountain, Magnificents, VJ | 4. Don't Go No Further, M. Waters, Chs. 5. Fever, L. W. John, Kng. | THE TEEN QUEENS | |
| The <u>LAST</u> Record on | 5. Let the Good Times Roll Shirley & Lee, Ala. 6. Fever, L. W. John, Kng. | 6. When My Dreamboat Comes Home F. Domino, Imp. 7. Flying Saucer | Red Top (Cherio, BMI) Love Sweet Love (Roosevelt, | BMI)-RPM 470-Group produce |
| JOHNNY ACE | 7. Rip It Up, Little Richard, Spe. 8. When My Dreamboat Comes Home F. Domino, Imp. | Buchanan & Goodman, Lun. 8. Let the Good Times Roll Shirley & Lee, Ala. | followers. The familiar rhythm | ppeal to both their pop and r.&b a opus "Red Top" is given a thor and they belt it home with a few |
| STILL LOVE YOU SO" | Detroit | Washington, D. C. | licks that jazz fans will dig. I | A swinging number. Strong rhythm |
| /w "Don't You Know" | 1. It's Too Late, C. Willis, Atl. 2. "leadin' for Love, L. Birdsong, Exc. 3. Don't Go No Further, M. Waters, Chs. 4. Don't Let It End This Way | 1. It's Too Late, C. Willis, Ati. 2. Fever, L. W. John, Kng. 3. Hound Dog, E. Presley, Vic. 4. Let the Good Times Roll | ETTA (MISS PEACHES) JAMES | that moves from start to finish. |
| | E. Morris, Pea. 5. Soft Winds, D. Washington, Mer. | Shirley & Lee, Ala. 5. My Prayer, Platters, Mer. | Tough Lover (Modern, BMI) Fools We Mortals Be (Moder | |

DOKE RECORDS Hound Dog, E. Presley, Vic. 2809 Erastus St. Houston 26, Texas

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Claudia Swann's Apollo

Griffin band, of which she

was featured vocalist a num-

ber of years. The Shaw

agency is now setting up

dates for Miss Swann as a

single, and negotiating with

several diskeries who want

her on their labels.... The

Apollo will also be the scene

of a presentation of a gold

disk to the Ward Singers on

August 30 by Herman Lubin-

sky, of Savoy Records. By co-

incidence the Newark mogul

not only celebrates his birth-

day on the 30th but also the

10th anniversary of his sign-

ing Clara Ward and her

Cleffer - manager Buck Ram's

"Happy Music Show," which stars

the Platters, is being flown from New York to Buffalo Septem-

ber 15 in a plane chartered by

Buffalo disk jockey Frank Ward,

of Station WWOL. The troupe,

which includes Shirley Gunter, the

Flairs, the Penguins, Young Jessie,

famed «piritual group.

Fools We Mortals Be (Modern, BMI)-Modern 998-This strong two-sided disk could put Miss James right back in the big money. In "Tough Lover" she describes her irresistible lover in an uptempo with a repeated melodic figure. On the flip, she shouts a blues-weeper and is extremely effective. Thoroly exciting performances.

Reviews of New R&B Records

HOWLIN' WOLF

- I Asked for Water 83 CHESS 1632-Artist sings this Southern-style blues with feeling and his usual impact. (Arc, BMI) So Glad 78
- Wolf does his "howlin'" in very effective manner on this one which has fine backing and a good beat. Could be a good one, particularly in Southern territories. (Arc, BMI)

WILBERT HARRISON

Confessin' My Dream81 SAVOY 1198-Both sides of this disk are pulsating, insistent chants whose very monotony could be their biggest point of appeal. Definitely a disk to watch. (Crossroads, BMI) The Way I Feel....81

As above. (Crossroads, BMI)

JOHNNY (GUITAR) WATSON

- RPM 471-Watson, a blues singer who has some of the qualities of both Ray Charles and Fats Domino, has a strong hunk of material here set to a powerful rocking beat. Could be a big seller if given the exposure it deserves. (Modern, BMI)
- She Moves Me 79 The singer projects a terrific sense of humor on this side. He milks the material effortlessly for plenty of laughs. Two interesting sides. (Modern, BMI)

THE HEARTS

- BATON 228-Gal group, with lusty lead singer, puts down a rocking shout with a deft dance beat. Side has a chance with heavy exposure. (Dare, BMI)
- I Had a Guy....71 Torchy group ballad doesn't offer
- anything distinctive. (Dare, BMI)

ANNIE LAURIE

SAVOY 1197-Powerful thrush serves notice of a comeback. Side is a rocking shout that can make some loot. (Crossroads, BMI) You Promised Love....77

Another potent piece of chirping, this time on a blues-ballad, with group backing. (Crossroads, BMI)

LITTLE JIMMY SCOTT

SAVOY 1199-Light, swingy tune is chanted with boyish charm by Scott.

Will register with the fans. (Crossroads, BMI) Guilty 74

Scott warbles with great feeling on the standard, but slow tempo and thin backing don't uphold interest.

ANN COLE

BATON 229-Miss Cole, a fine talent, shouts a good enough torcher with style and power. Material doesn't really stand but, but she makes the most of it. (Hill & Range, BMI)

I'm Waiting for You....76 Blues wailer comes off equally well. Good band backing. (Dare, BMI)

EDDIE BO

tinues to turn out good performances. If this one gets the proper exposure, it can sell. Side is a jumper. (Bess, BMI) My Heart Was Meant for You 74 Another good job, this time on a hymn-like ballad. (Bess, BMI)

THE PENGUINS

Earth Angel75 MERCURY 70943-A new waxing of the group's first hit. The arrangement is a fresh one and the group offers a few interesting variations on the original. It's a fine job, but whether lightning can strike twice in the same place is doubtful. (Williams, BMD

Ice....74

A humorous fast tempo swinger, in (Continued on page 51)



Dolly Cooper and Joe Houston will perform that night on Ward's

- day, James ("Please, Please,
- Two big r.&b. shows, with overlapping schedules, promise to créate excitement aplenty the next few days in the New York area. Tommy (Dr. Jive) Smalls opened telethon to raise funds locally for

whose current widespread popular- included the Clovers, Big Mayity was touched on in this column belle, Claudia Swann, Bo Diddley, last week, has long been a spe- the Valentines, the Five Satins, cialty of the house of Chess out Charlie and Ray and the Channels. Chicagoway. Along the "Chess- On August 29, Alan Freed parts Checker axis" (going from Chicago curtains on his "Second Anniverover to the Mississippi River down sary Rock and Roll" show at the thru St. Louis, Memphis and New Brooklyn Paramount Theater. Fats Orleans) the Chess brothers, Phil Domino is the main attraction, and Leonard, have built a strong followed by Joe Turner, Frankie Lymon and the Teen-Agers, the Penguins, the Harptones, the Clefmarket demand for the distinctive sounding disks they create. Today, tones, Mabel King and others. however, it is not unusual to find New York, Philadelphia, Cleve-land or Los Angeles doing an even Theater engagement is her bigger job on a "low down Southfirst since leaving the Buddy

By GARY KRAMER

The "low down Southern blues," for a week with a line-up that

ern blues" than New Orleans. "Don't Go No Further" and Billy Stewart's "Billy's Blues" are big Northern sellers, with teen-agers showing more and more of a sweet tooth for this kind of disk. "It's the beatand the sound," explained Phil Chess on the phone this week. "They may not under-stand the lyrics, but they repond to the beat." In passing, Chess laid claim to the "funkiest" sound on any disk around today. It's Gene Barge's "Country." Any contest? ... To show how commanding the position of the Southern market can be to-Please"). Brown has had a hit and several other good sellers and still made no appearance in the North.

August 24 at the Apollo Theater the Muscular Dystrophy Drive.



September 1, 1956 The Billboard's Music Popularity Charts . . . RHYTHM & BLUES RECORDS 51 **PR&B Best Sellers in Stores Reviews of New R&B Records** NEW RELEASES For survey week ending August 22 Spirituals Continued from page 50 **RECORDS** are ranked in order of their current national selling importance at the "The Lord Bless My Soul" w/w retail level, as determined by The Billboard's weekly survey of dealers throut the which the lead details some of his Tricky beat rhythm gives a special nation with a high volume of sales in rhythm and blues records. When significant "Up to Sweet Heaven" romantic experiences. A cute novelty kick to the material. (Bess, BMI) action is reported on both sides of a record, points are that will please the group's fans. Zup, Zup combined to determine position on the chart. In such a Weeks by Edna Gallmon Cooke (Antier, ASCAP) (Ooh, You Dance So Nice) 64 -This case, both sides are listed in hold type, the leading side Last OB Nashbere #585 Again lead and tricky beat backing Week Week Chart on top. impress, but material is less potent. THE FALCONS (Bess, BMI) "I'm Gonna Use Just 1. HONKY TONK (PARTS I & II)-B. Doggett..... 1 3 King 4950-BMI MERCURY 70940-The boys sell an What I've Got" b/w EDDIE LANG appealing ballad with sincerity and 8 feeling. Excellent work by lead "I Cried to the Lord" RPM 466-Lang makes the obvious singer. (Pure, BMI) 3. FEVER (BMI)-Little Willie John..... 2 plea to the lady who left but it 16 Baby, That's It 73 by The Consolers wouldn't be likely to change her mind. Letter From My Darling (BMI)-King 4935 Lively reading by the Falcons on a (Modern, BMI) Nashbore #586 4. LET THE GOOD TIMES ROLL (BMI)catchy rhythm item. (Pure, BMI) I'm All Alone....63 . . Shirley & Lee..... Do You Mean to Hurt Me So? (BMI)-Aladdin 3325 5 This is the rhythm side of the disk Blues VOCALTONES but original impression don't change. 5. RIP IT UP (BMI)-Little Richard..... (Modern, BMI) 10 "Teeny Weeny Baby" w/w APOLLO 497-Competent perform-Ready Teddy (BMI)-Specialty 579 THE TONETTES ance helps along an extremely fancy-"Queer Feelin' " 6. FLYING SAUCER (PARTS I & II)-schmancy ballad. This may find some Buchanan & Goodman. MODERN 997 - Group chants a takers, (Bess, BMI) by Rudy Green Luniverse 101 rhythm number of moderate appeal. I'll Never Let You Go 70 Excello #2090 3 Rousing, romping side suffers for the Backing is frequently more exciting than the vocalizing. Doubtful candilack of an original idea in the ma-DON'T BE CRUEL (BMI)-Vic 20-6604 "Give It Up" date for much of a play. (Simon terial or performance. (Bess, BMI) 8. WHEN MY DREAMBOAT COMES HOME-House, BMI) (Or Tell Where It's At) Tonight You Belong to Me 63 F. Domino.... 5 JUNIOR PARKER Same comment as flip. (Mills, SO-LONG (BMI)-Imperial 5396 "If I Had My Life to Live Over" ASCAP) 9. IT'S TOO LATE (BMI)-C. Willis..... DUKE 157-Parker swears that he's by Vince Monroe not going to get drunk anymore Kansas City Woman (BMI)-Atlantic 1098 THE CLOUDS after he sees his baby leave him. Excello #2089 7 10. STRANDED IN THE JUNGLE (BMI)-Cadets..... 10 Parker registers with fine Southern I Want You (BMI)-Modern 994 COBRA 5001-A spirited, but unwarbling and harmonica in back-WRITE WIRE PHONE polished performance of a so-so jump 10. IN THE STILL OF THE NIGHT (BMI)-Satins -1 ground is effective. (Lion, BMI) opus, (Armel, BMI) Jones Girl (BMI)-Ember 10005 That's My Baby 67 NASHBORO RECORD CO., INC. 12. I'M IN LOVE AGAIN (BMI)-F. Domino...... 13 20 Fair side with Parker again doing An inept ballad waxing. (Armel, BMI) 177 3rd Ave., Nashville, Tenn. well but the beat and backing do not My Blue Heaven (ASCAP)-Imperial 5386 (Phone: Chopel 2-2215) create as much excitement. (Lion, 12. ROCK-A-WHILE (BMI)-J. Turner..... -1 BMI) Shipments Also Made Frem Number of Releases LIPSTICK POWDER AND PAINT (BMI)-PLASTIC PRODUCTS Atlantic 1102 MEMPHIS, TENN. PHIL FLOWERS 14. PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE (BMI)-J. Brown..... 15 19 This Week Why Do You Do Me? (BMI)-Federal 12258 HOLLYWOOD 1065-Flowers belts out a fine brand of blues with the 15. I WANT YOU, I NEED YOU, I LOVE YOU Pop CAW RAB Label Batmen contributing excellent back-(BMI)-E. Presley 12 10 ABC-PARAMOUNT .. 2 - ing. Should be good counter interest My Baby Left (BMI)-Vic 20-6540 APOLLO - - 3 here and jocks may find side amusing ATLANTIC 1 - 1 BREAKING WIDE OPEN programming. (Action, BMI) ATLAS 1 - -JOE LYONS BATON 2 What's New With You 69 Most Played R&B by Jockeys IN BOSTON! CAPITOL 4 4 -Solid hythm with Lyons and his COLONIAL 1 1 -Arrows swinging it out and the Bat-COLUMBIA 3 1 men again adding hefty background. For survey week ending August 22 Not quite up to the flip. (Golden COBRA 2 SIDES are ranked in order of the greatest number of plays on disk jockey radio CORAL 1 - -State, BMI) shows throout the country according to The Billboard's weekly survey of top disk jockey shows in all key markets. Weeks MABEL KING This Last DOT 2 - un Symbol of Love **RAMA 204-**

| LET THE GOOD TIMES ROLL-Shirley & Lee | 8 | 6 |
|---------------------------------------|---|---|
| DON'T BE CRUEL-E. Presley | 5 | 2 |
| | 13 | 8 |
| King 4935-BMI | | 16 |
| MY PRAYER-Platters | 1 | 8 |
| HOUND DOG-E. Presley. | 2 | 4 |
| RIP IT UP-Little Richard. | 4 | 9 |
| | 10 | 3 |
| | 7 | 4 |
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| | | |
| F. Domino | 9 | - 4 |
| STRANDED IN THE JUNGLE-Cadets | 13 | 4 |
| LOVE, LOVE, LOVE-Clovers | () _ | 10 |
| READY TEDDY-Little Richard | 11 | 8 |
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Most Played R&B in Juke Boxes

For survey week ending August 22

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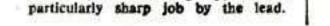
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RECORDS are ranked in order of the greatest number of plays in luke boxes thruout the country, as determined by The Billboard's weekly survey of operators using a high proportion of rhythm and blues records. When significant action is reported on both sides of a record, points are combined to de-

| This | | Last Week | Weeks on Chart |
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| 1. | FEVER (BMI)-Little Willie John | 4 | 13 |
| 2. | MY PRAYER (ASCAP)-Platters. | 1 | 6 |
| 3. | I'M IN LOVE AGAIN (BMI)-F. Domino | 3 | 18 |
| 4. | HOUND DOG (BMI)-E. Presley DON'T BE CRUEL (BMI)-Vic 20-6604 | - | 1 |
| | WHEN MY DREAMBOAT COMES HOME (ASCAP)-F. Domino SO-LONG (BMI)-Imperial 5396 | 2 | 4 |
| 0. | LET THE GOOD TIMES ROLL (BMI)- Shirley & Lee. | 10 | 2 |
| 7. | WHO CAN EXPLAIN?-Teen-Agers I PROMISE TO REMEMBER (BMI)-Gee 1018 | | 3 |
| 8. | 1 WANT YOU TO BE MY GIRL (BMI)-Teen-Agers. I'm Not a Know-It-All (BMI)-Gee 1012 | 7 | 12 |
| 9. | FOOL (BMI)-S. Clark. | - | 1 |
| 10. | RIP IT UP (BMI)-Little Richard | 6 | 9 |

| RAMA 204—Thrush, whose initial release showed great promise, slips off pace in this pop-country style waltz. Chances are by no means sure. (Planetary, ASCAP) Second Hand Love79 Similar material here, competently sung. (Planetary, ASCAP) | DOWNBEAT - 2 - DUKE - - 1 DOUBLE B - 1 - EMERALD - 1 - FRATERNITY 1 - - HOLLYWOOD - - 2 IMPERIAL - - 1 JUBILEE 1 - 1 | JEAN Shuffle" |
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| COTTY MANN Just a Little Bit of Loving | KING 1 1 | A Rockin' Instrumental I by PLAS "Last Call" JOHNSON Tampa 116 TAMPA RECORDS, INC. |
| HARLIE AND ROSIE Don't Call the Wagon (Cause Nothin's Wrong With Me)69 VICTOR 6634—The duo, with group backing, sings this rhythmic side com- petently but don't create that much excitement. Team consists of the prominent cleffers, Singleton and . McCoy respectively. (Avon, BMI) Toodle Loo Tennessee68 Another fair side by Charlie and Rosie but doesn't have sock poten- tial. (Avon, BMI) | VICTOR <u>2</u> <u>1</u> <u>1</u> | loan Drende Workline Grove W |
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| Nice. (Bayside, BMI) HE KEYNOTES Now I Know, | | RE MONEY |











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THE BILLBOARD

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may be in jeopardy but all other pop singers can rest as Mantle enters the disk field. Miss Brewer sings her love for the Yankee slugger, but Mantle's part is weak and material weaker. (Willow, ASCAP)

Keep Your Cotton Pickin'

Paddies Offa My Heart....71 Chick, without Mantle, sings a novelty tune which fails to reach her batting average on previous disks. (Willow, ASCAP)

VOICES OF WALTER SCHUMANN

VICTOR 6618-The chorus has a good time with this whimsical noveity, Its arrangement and swingy, bouncy beat help drive home the humor and the fun. Good programmer for deejays. (Commander, ASCAP)

And Then I Met Yvette 69

Here is a tune with a kind of perky charm and a cute "guy meets gal" story. (Joy, ASCAP)

GUY LUYPAERTS ORK

DECCA 30011 - Smooth, dreamy stringed instrumental version of the rhythmic oldie by the European orkster. Both sides are from his LP, "Holiday in the South." Fine jockey wax. (Shapiro-Bernstein, ASCAP) Carolina in the Morning 75 Same comment. (Remick, ASCAP)

EDDY HOWARD

- MERCURY 70946-Singer is back with a pleasant ballad of modest appeal. Nicely delivered. (Lakeshore, ASCAP)
- Thank You, Lord.....74 Gospel-type beat for good effect, with ork and chorus adding good backing. Moderate appeal. (George Pincus, ASCAP)

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THE FOUR TUNES

JUBILEE 5255-Here's another attempt to cash in on the current fan cult mourning for the late movie star, James Dean. The group wraps up the moody theme (recorded several months ago by Dylan Todd on Victor), with effective pathos. (Goday, BMI)

The Japanese

Farewell Song (Sayonara) 72 The boys wrap up a poignant ballad (which has been around for a while) with sincerity and warmth, (Ranger, ASCAP)

FINGERS FINNEGAN -AND HIS BARROOM BOYS

- Show Me the Way to Go Home73 REGENT 7504 - Finnegan and his boys romp thru a rendition of this old fave with authentic back-room nickelodeon sound. A fine novelty and excellent fare for deejay spins. Oldsters will get a particular kick out of it, (Campbell, Connelly, ASCAP)
- Let Me Call You Sweetheart 73 Group similarly in the back-room groove with another and even more ancient fave. This is real Family Entrance stuff and carries same kick as the flip. (Shapiro - Bernstein, ASCAP)

BOBBY MADERA ORK

- ABC-PARAMOUNT 9731 - With a few side-swipes at Perez Prado in passing, Madera serves up Eydia Gorme's current hit in bright chacha-cha fashion. Makes a listenable, danceable instrumental. Commercially sound idea. (Roncom, ASCAP) Watch Your Step 71
- Another colorfully arranged cha-chacha. This instrumental has both pop and L.-A. potential. (Adler, ASCAP)

MATYS BROTHERS

- Tippin' In72 DECCA 29997-The boys wrap up the swing era oldie with style and a catchy beat, while Jack Pleis provides tasteful backing. (Advanced, ASCAP)
- Spoke in the Wheel 71 Another swingy vocal job by the



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- (1-12")
- Good Time Jazz L 12017

This is the young Frisco band that inherited the arrangement of the Lu Watters Yerba Buena band, long since disbanded. There is plenty of Watters around on disks, but insatiable revivalist fans may want these too. Limited sales outside of the Bay City area.

MODERN JAZZ

WITH DIXIELAND ROOTS65 Don Stratton, Trumpet (1-12") ABC-Paramount ABC 118

One of the best covers of the season will draw attention to what is actually some pretty sticky jazz. Stratton, far from a modernist, is stiff and often downright corny. Phil Sunkel, a far better jazz trumpeter, is heard in just a few spots. Some of the tunes ("Black Bottom,"-"Charleston," etc.) would seem to convey the idea of the title, 'Tain't so.

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with relaxed style. It doesn't come up to the flip, however. (Western Artist, BMI)

NEAL MERRITT

Someday You'll Pay72 STARDAY 260-Pleasant warbling of a pleasant moralizer. Should do okay in the Southwest. (Starrite, BMI) No One But You.....71 Another pleasant bit, with a jauntier Western beat. (Starrite, BMI)

AMOS COMO

FOLK TALENT & TUNES By BILL SACHS

Around the Horn

Webb Pierce played Roy Acuff's Dunbar Cave, Clarksville, Tenn., August 19, with Red Sovine and Eddie Hill, before taking off on a fortnight's vacation. Pierce has been busy recently making a series of pix for Flamingo Films in Nashville. . . . Dick Blake, Indianapolis promoter, is reportedly off to a good start with his Plantation Park bookings in the Hoosier capital, using "Grand Ole Opry" talent each Sunday as long as the warm weather holds on. Faron Young and His Country Deputies played a return engagement there August 12. drawing over 6,500 paid, with Hank Snow attracting similar business August 19.

Lou Epstein, of the Jimmie Skinner country music emporium in Cincinnati, hopped into Nashville last weekend, where Skinner cut a session for Mercury, and the Country Pardners waxed for RCA Victor. Epstein has been vacationing in Miami Beach, Fla., and Havana. . . . Joe Taylor, the Cowboy Auctioneer of Station WGL, Fort Wayne, Ind., and his better half are lullabying a daughter, Paula Jo, born August 2, . . . The "Circle Theater Jamborce," Cleveland, has resumed for the fall and winter, with Tex Clark again looking after talent booking. Tex's phone number is SWeetbriar 1 - 1216.

Eddie Marvin (4-Star) and WRVA's Lucky Wray (Starday) have joined Jim Wilson's Flying W Ranch Hands on WRVA's "Old Dominion Barn Dance," Richmond, Va., where Jim is sharing emsee chores with Sunshine Sue. . . . Don Reno and Red Smiley, of "Old Dominion Barn Dance," were in Cincinnati last Saturday (25) to cut a session for King Records. The lads are under the management of Carlton Haney, who is working closely on bookings with WRVA's "Old Dominion Barn Dance" and its bossman, Bert Repine. Denver Duke and Jeffery Null played the Civic Center, Hammond, Ind., Sunday (26), along with Bonnie Sloan, the Cisco Kid, and the Danny Turner band. . . Adam Timoons, Canadian country singer recently signed to a Columbia pact, has recorded Fred Stryker's and Henry Bove's new tune, "Repeat After Me." . . . Red Sovine has cut Jimmie Dale's new tune, "My Little Rat," on the Decca label. Lovely title, no? . . . Mary Lou Nell, of "Town Hall Party," Compton, Calif., has just had her second release on High-Time label. It's "You Can't Win for Losing" b.w. "Have You Reached the Fork in the Road?" She's backed on both by Texas Tiny's Western band. featuring Marian Hall on steel. Deejays may obtain a copy by writing to Texas Tiny at 5725 Oxholm, Long Beach, Calif. Tiny serves as a.&r. man for High-Time in addition to handling his own network show on ABC radio each Friday night plus doing a daily show on XERB, San Diego, Calif., and KRKD, Los Angeles. Lefty Frizzell, whose big one on Columbia at the moment is "Waltz of the Angeles," is being held over for an indefinite period at "Town Hall Party," Compton, Calif. Lefty, along with Freddie Hart, has just finished taping a series of station breaks and introductions for Station XERB, San Diego, Calif. . . .

for a series of dates on the West Coast for American Corporation September 19-26. Mac Wiseman is currently on a West Coast trek for Americana.

Tex Carman (Sage & Sand) and Freddie Hart (Columbia) have been set by Texas Bill Strength for a week's stand in the Flame Room, Minneapolis, in early October. They will play their way to Minneapolis from the Coast beginning in late September. . . . Joanie Hall and the Frontiersmen (Sage & Sand) are still holding forth with their show and dance in Newhall, Calif., each Saturday night. . . . Maddox Brothers and Rose concluded an extended run with "Towa Hall Party," Compton, Calif., last week to begin a jaunt then the Eastern States.

"Old Dominion Barn Dance," originating from WRVA, Richmond, Va., celebrates its 10th anniversary September 15 with a series of events planned to celebrate the occasion. CBS will help by scheduling "Country Style" to originate from Richmond that night, and Eddy Arnold is tentatively set to be on deck for the celebration. Deejays and trade press reps are invited to attend.

Don Reno and Red Smiley and the Tennessee Cut-Ups will stage their annual five-string banjo contest at New River Ranch, Rising Sun, Md., Sunday, September 2. First prize is a Gibson Mastertone banjo. Contest held last Labor Day attracted 28 contestants from 14 States. Contestants need not enter ahead of time. Just report September 2. . . . Latest additions to the cast of "Town Hall Party," Compton, Calif., are Wynn Stewart and the Three Rays, along with Jimmy Wakely. Big plans are getting under way at WSM, Nashville, for the fifth annual disk jockey festival to be held there November 9-10 to celebrate "Grand Ole Opry's" 31st anniversary. Attendance at these events has increased in leaps and bounds with each succeeding year, until this year some 2,000 are expected to attend. Thus, it is imperative that hotel reservations be made pronto. Registrations this year will be divided between the Andrew Jackson and the Hermitage hotels. Invitations will be mailed out by WSM late in September. Close on the heels will follow a preregistration form. It is urgent that the pre-registration forms be returned immediately to WSM in order to avoid lastminute confusion. Ann Raye, new on the Decca label, is back home in Biloxi, Miss., from a two-week tour which took her to Washington and New York. On August 9-10 she appeared on the "Town and Country" TV show in Washington with Jimmy Dean. While in New York, Miss Raye conferred with Paul Cohen, of Decca, and auditioned for a CBS network show. Ann is slated to cut her first Decca wax September 1. . . . George Jones (Starday) now permanently settled in Nashville as a regular with "Grand Ole Opry," begins a 21-day tour for A. V. Bamford September 16. Trek will take him along the West Coast and thru the Pacific Northwest. Jones, who also appears on the "Friday Night Frolic" over WSM radio each week, is set for the Prince Albert portion of "Grand Ole Opry" over the NBC radio net





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Matys Brothers on a bouncy rhythm ditty. (Amber, ASCAP)

JILL COREY

What Am I to Do?72 COLUMBIA 40743-Miss Corey has been assigned a sophisticated blues, and she comes thru with flying colors. Not too strong commercially, but it'll make pleasant programming for deejays. (Dorsey, ASCAP)

The singer gives fellow females some good advice, "If you love him, let him know." She makes the pitch in a quict, winsome way. (Bentley, BMI)

ANTHONY PERKINS

- ERIC 9181-Actor delivers an easy, breezy rendition of the oldie. His growing audience may deliver some coin. (Remick, ASCAP)
- Friendly Persuasion (Thee I Love)..... 70
- Perkins acts in the flick of the same name, but the actual singing there was done by Pat Boone. His chances would appear slim in view of the heavy competition on the tune. (Felst, ASCAP)

- The 'lountain DECCA 30015 - A sincere, deepvoiced vocal rendition of the solemn title theme from a forthcoming Spencer Tracy movie. (Famous, ASCAP)
- He Made You Mine 69 An okay vocal job on a slow-paced tune with a sacred lyric theme, (Nories and Copar, BMI)
- STERLING MOSSMAN
- DECCA 29998-Hawaiian song about the big luau they're planning is pleasantly presented by Mossman with Hawaiian strumming in the background. (Criterion, ASCAP)

Dig That Pol....68

Mossman has a humorous Hawaiian theme with similar backing. Market is limited, but there are still those who dig the idiom. (Criterion, ASCAP)

CHUCK PAYNE

- ATLAS 1057 - Warbler Payne, an Eck-styled bari, makes a big impression in his debut disk. Material and production fight him most of the way, however. May get some r.&b. sales. (Lamont, ASCAP) Escape....60
- This is a real weirdy, with fem recitation and far-out melody. Most confusin'. (Lamont, ASCAP)

MIKE SARG

MERCURY 70945 - Sarg gives a description of his teen-age heartthrob. Material is on the threadbare side, but has professional reading and the standard rock and roll beat. Not

STARDAY 257 - This is a slow rocker with a plaintive quality and heavy backbeat. Weeper theme has some appeal. (Starrite, BMI) Hole in the Wall 68

Rockabilly side faces tough competition from many quarters. (Starrite, BMI)

BUCK RYAN

MERCURY 70931 - Pleasant atring instrumental waxing of a pretty waltz theme. Good juke was. (Alpine, BMI) Follow the Fiddle....68 A sprightly string instrumental wrap-

up of a happy, bouncy tune. (Alpine, BMD

BOBBY RUTLEDGE

ZIPP 11208-A humorous novelty in a slock reading by Rutledge, a talented balladeer who deserves "discovery." (Magnus, BMI)

Put a Saddle on Daddy 65 This material also has a whimsical touch and is cute in spots, Many deejays might find an appropriate spot for this. Rutledge does a solid job. (Magnus, BMI)

HOUSE BROTHERS QUARTET

STATE CALLA 116 - An oldfashioned but not unattractive tune full of sentiment and nostalgia. Not likely to be very strong commercially in today's market. (LeBam, BMI) Wond'ring 'Bout You.... 60

A fair harmony job on a slow tempo ballad. Material and production do not stand out. (LeBam, BMI)

a powerful commercial disk. (Pure, BMD

My Baby Done Left Me 64 Even more stereotyped - and not nearly so well done-this blues is a pale reflection of some of the hit efforts of others in this field. Not much to recommend here. (Pure,

LILLIAN BROOKS

BMI)

KING 4956-Brisk little waltz, which has been around, is given an inconsequential whirl by the thrush. (Brandom, ASCAP)

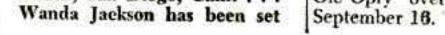
No Parkis'....60

A below-par rock and roller. (Brandom, ASCAP)

FOUR SOUNDS AND A FURY

- COLONIAL 410 - Southern group joins up in a moderately tuneful polka for only average results. Quintet performs adequately but needs more imagination and projection savvy to qualify for the big time. (Beatley, BMI) That's My Boy 60
- Even less imagination has gone into this old-styled rhythm novelty. Lyric and sound are strictly run-of-the-mill. (Bentley, BMI)







OUTDOOR

September 1, 1956

Communications to 188 W. Randolph St., Chicago 1, Ill.

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Rain Drenches III. State Fair **On Closing Day**

Weather Cuts Deeply Into Gate, Sets Up Three Bargain Bills

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. -- Heavy rains drenched the Illinois State Fair here Sunday (19), closing day of its 10-day run, and the scheduled afternoon motorcycle races were washed out and patronage on the midway was killed.

The motorcycle races, which normally are held to a turnaway crowd, were held over and run off the following afternoon to a sparse crowd. Earlier two afternoon programs of harness horse races had been rained out but the programs in bargain bill offerings.

The fair's attendance for the full run was down sharply because of the rains and also because the fair ran without its traditional two political days. These days-usually big ones-had been omitted because of the conflict with the national political conventions.

Show was strong on the days when the fair was given weather. On such days, the ride and show grosses were up but these gains were wiped out by the rains and the show finished with a gross under that for last year.

ONE A DAY **Top Names** Again Dot York Bill

YORK, Pa .--- Olsen and Johnson in "Hellzapoppin'" antics will be featured on Wednesday (12) afternoon and evening at the York Interstate Fair. In keeping with its policy of daily program changes, the Vagabonds will be featured on Wednesday (13) and Ted Lewis and his All-Star Revue on Thursday (14).

Other features announced by Samuel S. Lewis, president, include the use of three area championship high school bands, two in the afternoon and one at night, on opening day, Tuesday (11). Irish Horan and his Lucky Hell were run off the following days Drivers are billed for closing Saturday (15) afternoon and night.

Show features, again booked thru Frank Wirth, New York, also include the High and Mighty Revue, featuring a 24-girl line; the Manhattan, Rockets, the Stuart Morgan Dancers, Chimes family and Eddie Michaels, vocalist.

Acts will include the Alberto Midway business for the Olson Zoppe riders, with Cucciolo; Sonny Moore's Roustabouts, canine act; Bokara Troupe, teeterboard; Four Maxonis, comedy knockabout; Three Goeischis, unicycle, and Willie West and McGinty.

Reserved seats are priced at \$1.20, \$1.80 and \$2.40.

REVAMPED WIS. STATE FAIR RACES TO PEAK PAID GATE **Only Night Grandstand Business Fails**

To Rise; 20G Loss Looms for Revue

Saturday morning (25) as it went corresponding period last year. into the weekend wind-up of its nine-day run.

Sunday night closing.

MILWAUKEE --- The Wiscon- year and the gate for the 1956 chalked up despite rain opening sin State Fair, sparked by sweeping run was far outracing that of 1955 day, Saturday (18), that washed out changes effected by its youthful thru the first seven days. The the scheduled motorcycle races and manager, Bill Masterson, was seven-day count of 598,460 con- rain that hit Thursday afternoon headed for a record paid attendance trasted with the 432,248 for the (23) that caused the 200-mile stock

attendance was 598,460, with two the night grandstand program, conbig days to go. Weather Saturday sisting of the Barnes-Carruthers No. of the same was forecast thru the again figured to drop about \$20,-000 for the fair.

The peak attendance for the fair Cool weather marked most of was 824,311, set in 1953. Then, the first seven nights, but this of however, the fair did not operate itself was not responsible for the with an "everybody pays policy." light business given the revue. That policy was inaugurated last The fair's sturdy attendance was

'HOLIDAY ON ICE' HITS AT SEDALIA

Missouri State Fair Gets Full Grandstand Crowds From Icer; Eyes 500,000 Gate

.SEDALIA, Mo .-- The Missouri | light turnout but the grandstand State Fair Saturday morning (25) was filled to near capacity the folentered the final weekend of its lowing four nights. eight-day run, with attendance Presentation of an icer in front down about 3 per cent from last of the grandstand constituted a year but with expectations that it first for the fair, which for many would finish with a total attend- years had featured a traditional reance of about 500,000.

car race to be halted at the end of Virtually all segments of the the 108th mile. Twenty minutes 1956 run were racing ahead of last after the race was halted, three At the end of the first seven days year. Outstanding exception was members of pit crews on the race track were injured, one critically, when a pressurized gas tank exmorning (25) was ideal and more 1 Revue plus fireworks. The revue ploded. One of the three injured suffered the loss of an arm as a result of the explosion.

Of the attractions, the most notable surprise was the business given the rodeo in the 3,300capacity Coliseum. The rodeo played to turnaway business at most performances; and to good to near capacity at all but one other, the opening day show. It was in foreach night of the fair and one matinee. The Holmes Bros., of Madison, Wis., staged the rodeo.

Exhibitors Happy

Midway business was excellent during the first seven days, with the permanent park installation and the shows, rides and games concessions all reporting good to excellent patronage.

Commercial exhibitors, too, chimed in with reports of highly satisfactory results.

Many changes were noted on the grounds. New was a \$500,000 Youth Building, with large dormi-

la. State Fair Attracts 41,000 **On Opening Day**

State Fair pulled a crowd of 41,-000 persons Friday (24), opening day of its 10-day run.

A true comparison with last year's opening is not possible because the '55 fair opened on a Saturday and closed Labor Day night. This year, with its dates advanced one day, the fair will not operate Labor Day, closing instead Sunday, September 2.

The opening day's gate of 41, 000 compares with 31,000 pulled last year on Labor Day, the day it actually replaced. Midway receipts of the Olson Shows on opening day, which also was kids' day, were more than double that of Labor Day last year, Lloyd Cunningham, fair secretary, said.

Auto races, staged by Al Sweenight weather held down the turnout.

Dembrosky Grosses Ahead of '55 Pace

WHITE HAVEN, Pa .--- Business for the M.D. Amusement ami Beach; H. H. Niebruegge, Mu-Shows would have been at a record nicipal Auditorium, Atlanta; Elmer pace if better weather had pre- Krahn, Municipal Auditorium, Milvailed this season, Michael Dembrosky, owner-manager, announced last week.

at the recent Brancheville, N. J., Fair, but the Lehigh Valley Merchants' Fair at Bethlehem, Pa., was Municipal Auditorium, St. Paul. a winner despite a strike in the area.

Recovering from surgery and anxious to hear from friends is George M. Lowe, formerly on the Ringling brigade. He is recuperating in Vassar Hospital, Poughkeepsie, N. Y., and had recently been with the Colonial Theater the it started off on a weak note. there.

Rain hit the first Sunday, falling thru the morning and early afternoon and delaying the start of the big car races until about 4 p.m.

'Holiday on Ice" racked up excellent crowds as the night feature, The first night of the icer drew a

have value as a reference source

and would be a step in elevating

prestige of auditorium manage-

Invitations for the IAAM con-

vention to meet in San Jose, Calif.,

and Augusta, Ga., were received for 1958 and the invitation of Se-

attle was accepted for that time.

The 1957 meet is to be in New

York. Invitations for 1959 or there-

after came from St. Paul, Buffalo,

Des Moines, Daytona Beach and

Awards were made to Herman

Penn, Pittsburgh; Lin Lueddeke,

Oakland, and H. H. Niebruegge,

Atlanta, for contributions to the

Set Salary Study

paid to auditorium-arena managers

was reported but it was believed

to be incomplete and a plan to set

up a continuing salary study was

Winifred Corey, Buffalo, pro-

posed that the IAAM approach

UNESCO, agency of United Na-

tion, to look into possibilities of

affiliating with arena-auditorium

managers in Europe and elsewhere

abroad. She told of having inquir-

ies or visits from persons represent-

A survey into annual salaries

IAAM monthly bulletin.

Brownsville, Tex.

vue. The light opening night turnout was attributed to the fact that previously the fair had presented a small ice show under canvas, and that the bigger "Holiday on Ice" had to overcome that. This it did in short order.

E. W. Ritzenthaler, fair secretary, said: "We will make money on the ice show. Last year the traditional revue came close to breaking even."

Auto races pulled strong crowds the first Saturday and Sunday. Horse races, harness and runners, were presented to half grandstands three afternoons, and motorcycle races were run before a light grandstand thruout Monday. The auto races and motorcycle races were staged by Al Sweeney.

On the midway the Cetlin & Wilson Shows reported business for Podoloff, New Haven Arena, said the first six days "about the same his committee found an auditorium administration publication would as last year."

tories and a cafeteria which can feed 800 at one sitting.

The erection of the Youth Building, at the far end of the grounds farthest from the main entrance, together with other changes spread traffic thruout the grounds The Coliseum heretofore had been used for a horse show, but the horse show this year was held in advance of the fair, thus freeing the Coliseum and horse barns for other uses.

One of the horse barns was pressed into use for a new feature, feed and fertilizer show; another nearby building was used for a new attraction, a veritable trade show of bulk dairy equipment, and still other buildings were given new and greater usage.

Promotion Beefed Up The former Youth Building was (Continued on page 77)

U. S. Cuts Taxes **But Locals Don't**

now on all admissions ranging in Oklahoma, South Dakota, Utah price up to 90 cents, showmen in many parts of the country are still not free of taxation. Up-to-date surveys show that 22 of the 48 States impose their own gate taxes, as do at least 626 towns and cities.

It has not been unusual in the past for other governmental segments to step in with taxes upon the exit of the federal government. In fact, only 13 States have no admissions levies either on the commonwealth or local level.

These tax-free gates are in Massachusetts, Maine, Idaho, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, North Carolina, South Carolina, Oregon, Vermont and Wisconsin.

In still another 13 States there is a State admissions tax but no dup-(Continued on page 59) are Arkansas, Georgia, Indiana,

NEW YORK-Altho the fed-eral admissions tax has been lifted lowa, Kansas, Mississippi, Mon-tana, New Mexico, North Dakota, and Wyoming.

The highest State taxes are the 3 per cent charged by Alabama, Florida, Georgia and Mississippi. In general, State admission, sales or gross receipts taxes on tickets range from 1 to 3 per cent, except in Kentucky or Texas, which have a sliding scale on admissions above 50 and 80 cents, respectively.

States Cited

Greatest degree of tax impositions is in Pennsylvania, where no less than 331 communities have such levies. There are 77 communities in Washington, 59 in Ohio, 46 in West Virginia, 34 in Alabama and 33 in Tennessee, which have gate taxes. In contrast, only Atlantic City's 3 per cent mars the New Jersey picture. ing buildings in Munich, Mann- lication by towns or cities. These Only other State with one local tax (Continued on page 77)

DES MOINES - The Iowa Auditorium Meeting Closes at El Paso

ment.

made.

EL PASO, Tex .--- Wind-up of a special committee, the IAAM the International Association of voted to establish a new commit-Auditorium Managers' convention | tee to act on proposals that it pubhere found the association setting lish a reference manual. Nathan up two studies, filling out its officer ranks and mulling problems of incorporating air conditioning costs in rentals.

While electing Emmett Race, of Houston, as president, IAAM also selected the following vice-presidents to head up the eight district organizations:

James F. Walsh, New York Coliseum; Winifred E. Corey, Kleinhan's Music Hall, Buffalo, N. Y.; ney, opening day afternoon were Atwood Olson, Municipal Auditoheld before a good crowd. The rium, Minneapolis; Louis J. Gualnight grandstand show-a Barnes- doni, Kiel Auditorium, St. Louis; Carruthers revue headed by Olsen Fred McCallum, Municipal Audiand Johnson-played to a crowd torium, Birmingham; Francis R. estimated at 6,000 persons. Cool Deering, Sam Houston Coliseum, Houston; Lindsley Lueddeke, Oakland Auditorium, Oakland, Calif., and Lawrence Wicklund, Civic Auditorium, Seattle, Wash.

Directors include the vice-presidents plus Race, Secretary Charles A. McElravy, Memphis; Claude Ritter, Municipal Auditorium, Miwaukee; M. E. Thayer, International Amphitheater, Chicago; Clarence B. Hoff, Municipal A watered-down front end hurt Auditorium, Kansas City; C. W Van Lopik, Masonic Temple Auditorium, Detroit, and Edward Furni,

> **Plan Survey Committee** Acting on recommendations of



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TELL YEAR'S BOOKINGS **30-Date Schedule** For N. Y. Coliseum

20-24, at the new Coliseum. 14-27. Arthur Smadbeck, president of the Coliseum Exhibition Corporation, Instrument - Automation Confersaid the shows scheduled for the ence and Exhibit, September next 11 months include 16 public 17-21, and the Motion Picture Inexpositions and 14 trade shows, dustry International Trade Show, ranging in size from one to four September 20-24, both are being floors.

Ten shows never held before will make their debuts at the Coliseum within the next nine months; two sizable trade shows in September are being held in New York for the first time, and three other shows scheduled are "repeat customers" whose initial Coliseum expositions were held during the first month of the building's operation.

Brand new shows are: Diamond Jubilee of Records, September 7-16; International Sanitation Maintenance Show, October 14-16; Brides Show, October 18-21; Fashionarama, October 27-Nov. 4; National Industrial Expo-

McGaw Subs For Horan In the East

NEW YORK-Theater owners sition, November 12-16: Internaand distributors from thruout the tional Travelrama, February 2-10; world will convene at the Motion National Mobile Homes Show, Picture Industry International March 4-10, and First United Trade Show to be held September States World Trade Fair, April

> The 11th Annual International held in New York for the first time.

First repeat performance since opening of the Coliseum will be the International Antiques Exhibition and Sale, October 13-21. That show held a post-season exhibit at the Coliseum late in May, and plans to return for a third exhibition and sale, March 30-April 7.

The National Photographic Show, one of the trio of opening events last April 28, will occupy the first exhibition floor again February 16-24, and a second International Home Building Exposition is scheduled for May 4-12.

-Nine shows scheduled will occupy all four floors of the Coliseum; one will be a three-floor show; eleven will occupy two floors, and 10 will be one-floor events.

The bulk of fall shows open to the public will accent fashions in clothing, home furnishings and pre-Chirstmas event the four-floor National Automobile Show, December 8-16.

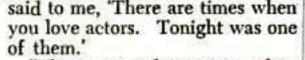
ary thru March, with such events be interested in seeing it. as the four-floor National Motor Boat Show, January 19-27; Travelrama, New York Sports and Vacation Show, and Mobile Homes exhibit. Superama, National Super Market Non-Food Exhibit; the 11th Annual International Instrument-Automation Conference and Exhibit, and Motion Picture Industry International Trade Show are scheduled for September. October trade events include the four-floor National Hardware Show, International Sanitation Maintenance Show and the National Business Show, and in November there will be the National Hotel Exposition, National Industrial Development Exposition and National Exposition Power and Mechanical Engineering.

Herb Dotten

Readers Do the Work

TENE WHITMORE, well-known Lockhart, Tex., circus fan and U for many years a top business publication editor took to his typewriter Thursday (23) at Minneapolis to write the following:

"After a magnificent performance before a rowdy audience of "The Doll's House" by Ruth Gordon and a group of actors, Jed Harris said to me, "There are times when



neapolis, members of the Royal American Shrine Club gave a free performance, complete with toys, candy and other gifts for the crippled children.

of Negro gentlemen-and, I repeat, Negro gentlemen-sat in the broiling hot August sun, playing soothing music, with that peculiar rhythm which only Negroes Tim, Canada's only trained elephant act; the legless man, the Indian clay-modeler were there-

all working for free, just to delight the children who yell, holler, clap-forgetting for the moment their cruel steel braces, their huge bandages, their casts and other \$6,615. A new type wire mesh,

indicia of the halt and the lame. "I stood there, proud of my trouper friends. Tears poured down over my camera as I hurried to load another slug of film and this thought occurred to me. Probably God was marking up reservations for all the performers, musicians and other entertainers and for the show personnel. Yes, I believed he marked up seats for the great celestial show which never ends, and I feel sure he marked them 'Front Row Center.''

Special Fair Sections Pour In

Bob Morse, secretary of the La Porte County Fair at La Porte, family equipment, with the final Ind., mailed in, with justifiable pride, an eight-page herald he used to advertise his fair. Bob thinks the tabloid a powerful advertising tool. Rightly, too, for the eight-pager is crammed with pictures of the fair's various attractions. Some 50,000 heralds were mailed out to rural Vacation and travel will be the routes, but Bob saved some copies and wrote that he'd be happy to theme of public shows held Janu- send copies to any fairs who requested them. County fairs should Dave Friedman, motion picture press agent, whose father had been a Birmingham newspaperman and an investor in carnivals, always is on the prowl for interesting items about outdoor show business. His submission was the striking cover of the August 19 Des Moines Sunday Register magazine supplement which was given over to the main entrance of the Iowa State Fair. The cover brings out the color of the king-sized ears of corn mounted high on either side of the entrance and also the out-sized cut-outs of farm animals clustered at the bottom of each ear. The cover is a potent pitch for the fair and reflects the true agricultural nature of the expo. Alex Irwin, former operator of a marionette show under canvas, came thru with the outstanding special tabloid sections put out Sunday (19) by The Milwaukee Journal and The Milwaukee Sentinel (a 24page tabloid) on the Wisconsin State Fair. Both sections constitute a strong sales story. Each features a cover in color. The Journal used a surrealistic painting to depict the fair and to accent the fair's art show. The Sentinel held to a photo of a youngster washing a cow.

Edmonton Run Termed Okay **Despite S Dip**

EDMONTON, Alta .-- Altho the gross revenue of the 1956 Edmon-"There are other times when ton Exhibition was not as high as you love troupers. For instance: in past years, the event "was one Today at the Shrine Hospital of the best in history," directors for Crippled Children in Min- were told by James Paul, manager.

Cross revenue for the six-day show totaled \$345,277, but all costs have not been compiled. Revenue from pari-mutuels was placed at \$139,519, altho purses and other "It was a hot day. A group expenses were yet to be calculated. Income from the week-long Hank Thompson country and western show in the Gardens put only \$2,688 in the fair's coffers.

A proposal that consideration be produce. The man with Tiny given to reducing the gate admission from 50 to 25 cents was heard with no action taken.

It was announced that plans are under way to install 1,200 new seats in the Gardens at a cost of costing \$2,000; is to be installed at each end of the hockey rink.





"BILLER'S DELIGHT"

NEW YORK --- Bill McGaw's Motor Olympics showed at the Erie County Fair, Hamburg, last week as a substitute for the Irish Horan Lucky Hell Drivers. It was reported that McGaw's unit will continue as a Horan replacement at other Eastern fairs, including Reading and York, Pa.

Previous dates contracted by Horan were played recently by the Buddy Wagner Tournament of Thrills when the former did not field a show this season.

McGaw will return to his customary Far West and West Coast territory in late September. Out of Philadelphia and a former associate of Joie Chitwood, he has been active in the West and has played bit parts in Hollywood films.

Supplement on Du Quoin Is Tops

Most outstanding of the special supplements mailed in was the power-packed 12-page tabloid carried Sunday, August 12, by The St. Louis Post-Dispatch on the Du Quoin (Ill.) State Fair.

Printed on a coated stock, the supplement has an arresting multicolor cover that depicts all of the fair's major attractions, plus a map, also in color, which indicates how to get to Du Quoin, 85 miles from St. Louis. The back cover, also in color, features a photo of "Dancing Waters," used as the background for the fair's high-budgeted night show; the stars of that show; a diagram of the grandstand seats, the price scale, a mail-order ticket blank, and the fair's day-by-day program. The two-page center spread, also in color, is devoted to a vivid painting of the fairgrounds. Six of the black-and-white pages are devoted to the various special attractions, one to the history and scenes of past fairs and the other to a spread of pictures of the fair's many past headliners.

The mail also brought a smartly packaged, well-prepared press kit of the Ohio State Fair. The kit is bundled in a slotted folder and is printed on yellow stock, with a front cover that shows the sprawling Columbus fairgrounds and a back cover devoted to a map of the grounds. Printed inside is a day-by-day schedule of grandstand and coliseum attractions and the price scales and the fair's day-by-day program of the fair. Material includes nine columns of ready-printstories, pictures, cartoon sketches and paid advertisements, an assortment of news releases, and information on facilities available on the grounds for the press.

From South Dakota, George G. Gallo, billposter-special agent of the William T. Collins Shows, mails in his contribution: A photowhich to use Gallo's words-is "a safe hot daub." It was, he adds, "strong-armed for the Wells County Free Fessenden Fair, Fessenden. N. D. It is on an old safe that was taken out of the bank, painted and put on a lot near the center of the town. It is really a biller's delight!"









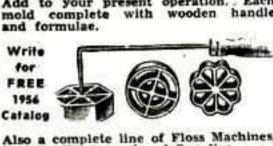


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Mid-Week Switch In Weather Aids **All Fair Units**

LEWISBURG, W. Va. -- Midweek favorable weather held good for the State Fair of West Virginia yesterday (24) and predictions were that a strong finish was a certainty.

Manager C. T. Sydenstricker said GAC-Hamid grandstand presentations have worked out satisfactory in all respects. The Midwestern Hayride unit, booked in for Monday (20), had a rained-out matinee and damp night show, but were lauded by the management for their persistence and spirit while working in the rain.

Also performing was the Ice Varieties unit, putting on double night shows while harness racing occupied the track in daytime. Racing drew packed house and the night shows did okay, it was reported.

Weather was rainy on Sunday and Monday, and a cold spell curbed business on Tuesday, but it was fair and mild from then on. Sharing in the mid-week pick-up were the Gold Medal Shows on the midway.

Grandstand admission was upped from 90 cents to \$1 with no noticeable effect, it was noted. Some units said spending on food was off. Agriculture in this area has not been as profitable as in some previous years, says Sydenstricker, but mining workers are in good financial shape.

ARENAS & AUDITORIUMS

Arena Execs Deserve Fees For Help to Survey Makers

By TOM PARKINSON

SITUATION in which auditorium-arena managers contribute A their time and knowledge time after time to survey groups which incorporate their words into reports that are sold to cities at high fees is disturbing numerous managers and their association.

The situation illustrates a great demand for technical knowledge about building construction and management, as was pointed out here last week. Creating the demand is the continued boom in arena-auditorium construction.

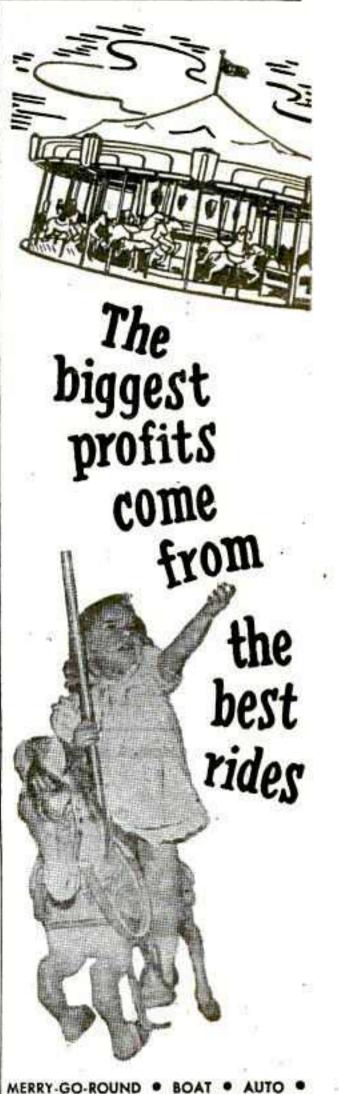
The International Association of Auditorium Managers now has named a committee to study the matter-and seek a definite solution to their problem. Scope of the puzzler was demonstrated by talks before the El Paso convention of IAAM by Francis Deering, of the Sam Houston Coliseum, Houston, and Lin Lueddeke, of the Oakland Auditorium and Exposition Hall, Oakland, Calif. After their talks other managers chimed in to tell their experiences.

COMMERCIAL SURVEY groups, along with delegations of city officials, civic leaders and designers and builders, descend upon many managers in droves. The time devoted to their questionsinformed and otherwise-becomes a serious problem. Yet managers, both as public employees and as professional in their specialty, often have felt they could do nothing other than surrender the hours and information. Not infrequently, those hours added up to as much as three days at a time.

It has been particularly irritating to managers who have given up two or three days to visiting surveyors to learn later that these contributions, costly to them in time and experience, comprise the heart of a report for which the survey team may charge a fee of \$15,000 or \$20,000.

Lueddeke's talk pointed out that the especially high-priced survey made for a Los Angeles Civic Auditorium quoted 26 members of IAAM, that a Los Angeles Arena survey quoted seven association members, that 40 out of 52 managers who are quoted in a San Diego survey are members of IAAM. His point is that thru its members IAAM has information worth many thousand dollars. Delay in packaging this information and putting it to use, he says, leads to the conclusion that "we in show business seem to be the last to use show techniques."

LUEDDEKE'S PROPOSAL is that, since it is proved regularly that IAAM members are experts in the field, the association should gather up this specialized and technical information for publication. His suggestion is that it be turned over to a survey company for preparation and publication. Deering suggests that the association gather its information on such varied phases as financing, selection of a site, booking, public relations, accoustics, box office operation, rental rates, and conces-sion operations of what he terms "these multi-million-dollar warehouses of entertainment, education and culture." He would assign one member to write each chapter, and IAAM would print the results.



Calif. Fair Adds Sheldon

SACRAMENTO, Calif.--Gene Sheldon, pantomimist, is the latest addition to the grandstand show at the California State Fair & Exposition here. Annual is scheduled to open Wednesday (29) for a 12day run.

Sheldon was added to the Eddie Fisher show for Sunday night (2) and also to appear with Dennis Day the following night. Jack Carson was set to headline the show the first four nights with Bob Crosby; his daughter, Cathy, and the Modernaires in for the final four nights. Show was booked thru Music Corporation of America.

Each plan would call for IAAM's selling the resulting publication. Proponents say this would give them an answer when more survey groups appear at their doors. Buy the book, they would say, and retain the IAAM's New Buildings Consulting Board for additional advice and interpretation of each local situation.

Whether the association is to compile information and make it available at a fee now is to be determined by an IAAM committee. But behind it all is the basis that an auditorium-arena manager holds specialized experience and information as his stock in trade. Many people will say it is his to keep or to share as he sees fit and that if he disseminates it he probably is entitled to a substantial retaining fee.

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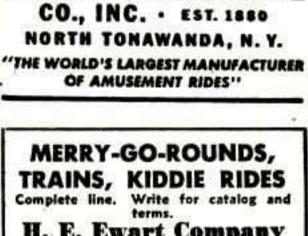
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Colo. State Fair Up **Despite Obstacles**

State Fair, despite economic and and at midweek was doing a good agricultural drawbacks in the area, job. Obstacles were drought conlast week was racing to match its ditions and the fact that the steel

Lucky Dogs Click at Ind., **Ohio Fairs**

PATERSON, N. J. --- Grandstand marks were reported set by Jack Kochman's Lucky Dogs, a greyhound racing attraction, at the recent La Porte, Ind., and Zanesville, O., fairs. On the strength of the showing, both events contracted the show feature for 1957.

Kochman headquarters thru Don J. Beebe, unit manager, reported the show well ahead of last year at this time in terms of attendance and gross. The new portable track, which provides for all of the action year's takes when another stunt to take place in front of the seated audience, instead of being spread out over a straightaway, is credited were on the midway for the fifth with heightening interest in the presentation.

The Emanuel Zacchinis announce the engagement of their tiani.

PUEBLO, Colo .--- The Colorado | '55 attendance figure of 238,820 mills here had been strikebound for a six-week period.

> Kittle deviated from the usual now discontinued, will display at grandstand bill this year. For the the Canadian National Exhibition. first time, a revue, produced by To meet this demand, the CNE Barnes-Carruthers and handled by has turned the long-established Fred H. Kressmann, was brought British Government Building into in for the first three nights and did strong business. The stands were nations showing their wares: 75 per cent filled the first night United Kingdom, Australia, India, and all seats were occupied the Germany, Belgium, Denmark, Holnext two evenings.

The Gene Autry rodeo, featuring Autry, Annie Oakley and the Cass County Boys opened its three-day stand backed by an advance sale that almost assured sellouts at all six performances. The Canadian Daredevils, in for matinees the first three days; failed to match last unit played here.

Brodbeck & Schrader Shows straight year and early rur. grosses were reported on a par with those of last year. The Sky Kings, high act, was the free attraction. Sam Howard's water show was also elaughter, Delia, to Belmonte Cris- featured on the midway doing four-a-day.

THE FINAL CURTAIN

ALLEN-Jack J.,

71, veteran concessionaire, of a heart attack August 15 in Hemingway, S. C. Survived by his widow, May; three sisters and a brother. Burial in Oklahoma City August 19.

11 Countries To Exhibit In CNE Bldg.

TORONTO-A number of the countries that formerly displayed the Governments Building, with 11 land, Japan, Poland, Spain and the United States.

There will be only order-taking (12-13). in the building, said CNE space manager I. M. Brodie. Actual selling has decreased each year. Last year over-the-counter trade was Floren held the stage Tuesday permitted in two buildings only. This year it will be restricted to group from the Jack Benny prothe Food Products building, with gram, followed for three nights, some also in the Women's build-"No ceposit order - taking, ing. however, is freely permitted," Bradie said.

The number of exhibitors this year will be slightly in excess of 2,200, with the percentage of renewals "extremely high."

On the promotion front, CNE advertising is to remain much the same as last year, and will be concentrated into a three-week pre-CNE period in a coverage area within a 150-mile radius of Toronto.

Feature writers in the Toronto and trainer, August 19 in Quincy, papers will contribute to an ad Ill. A breeder and trainer of series, while Ontario radio station trotting horses, he was for many will carry messages taped by Goryears a prominent figure around don Sinclair, and TV stations will Midwest State and county fairs. show film shorts of CNE scenes. Publicist Bert Powell is introducing wall hanger-type posters with full-color drawings of CNE events. There are also 24-sheet and three-sheet posters scheduled.

Ten-Day Run Attracts 101,561 at Costa Mesa

entertainment program, which included musical headliners in television, helped the Orange County Fair chalk up a total attendance of 101,561 during its first 10-day run which ended here Sunday (19). Attraction-wise, Manager Bill at the International Trade Fair, Last year the fair ran six days and was attended by 67,395 people.

Opening Friday (10) Spade Cooley and his show with Kay Cee lones, Anita Aros and Mel Ryan appeared in the Amphitheater. The Hoosier Hot Shots were on the secoud day with Doye O'Dell and His Western Varieties, including the Twin Tones, Gail Mosher and Ed die Cletro taking over for two nights, Sunday and Monday

Lawrence Welk and his entertainers, Alice Lon, Harry Hooper, lim Roberts, Dick Dale and Myron night. The Sportsmen, singing

Yreka, Calif., **Tops Record**

YREKA, Calif .--- The Siskiyou County Fair, which Sunday (19) closed its annual three-day run, gate admission was cut from \$1 overcame bad weather to finish to 60 cents for adults, with 25 cents with a total estimated attendance for children from 6 to 12 years of of 22,000, setting a new record age. over last year's 18,000, Edward B. Mathews, secretary-manager, said on Friday (10) the grounds were last week.

rain hit the event the closing night II, McCann said. A new main ento send exhibitors and spectators trance was erected at a cost of over for cover. The junior livestock auc- \$10,000.

COSTA MESA, Calif. --- A strong closing Friday (17). The shows were booked for the fifth year by Jo and Newton (Carolina) Brunson, of the Hollywood (Calif.) Theatrical Agency.

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Four performances of World Championship Rodeo, afternoon and night, the closing Saturday and Sunday (18-19) were reported to have drawn a total of 20,000 people by Thomas McCann, who handled the publicity this year for the first time. Midget auto races were weekend attractions.

R. M. C. Fullenwider, secretarymanager, said that the paid attendance was up this year over 1955. The average paid per day was 3,139. The first Saturday and Sunday total attendances were 15,630 and 15,080 respectively. Welk pulled a strong crowd of nearly 14,000 on Tuesday.

Ten horse show performances were given. Seven were in the afternoon and three at night. On August 11-12 the Hoosier Hot Shots were intermission entertainers in the afternoon. The Sportsmen appeared during intermissions of the three night performances during their run.

Jack McAfee, veteran circus performer, worked the independent midway as "Bo-Bo," the clown.

For the current run the front-

Prior to the opening of the event cleared of some of the remaining Lightning with gusty winds and barracks used during World War

CAMPBELL-Minnie W.,

83, mother of Clavton Campbell, of the King Reid Shows, August 17 at a Glens Falls, N. Y., hospital.

JONES-R. B. (Cootie),

33, veteran concessionaire on the Gem City Shows, August 19 in Alton, Ill., of injuries sustained in a truck wreck. Burial in Augusta, Ga.

McCLEAN-Maurice D. (Bill),

57, widely known horse breeder

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RUSS-Clayton E. (Gabe),

circus musician, August 20 in Long Beach, Calif., after a two weeks' illness. He was a veteran of World War I and trouped PROFIT HIKED with Hagenbeck-Wallace, Shipp & Feltus in South America, Al G. Barnes and Ringling circuses and the Sousa, Pryor and Kryl bands. For the past 12 years he was assistant librarian of the Long Beach Municipal Band. Surviving are his widow, Rita; a sister, Mrs. Clara Johnson, Canton, O., and a brother, Jess Russ. of Florida. Burial August 24 at Long Beach.

TWINING-Mrs. Margaret Fay, wife of R. A. (Andy) Twining, former electrician on Alamo Exposition Shows, recently in Bishop, Tex. In addition to her husband she is survived by a son, and as many nights. Clarence K. Fox; a daughter, Mrs. Betty Darlene Albrecht, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Davies. Burial in Bishop.



HALL-A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Philip Hall August 15 in Sarasota Memorial Hospital, Sara sota, Fla. Parents, for many years, were with Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus.



Shorter Run Ups Profit at **Cedar Rapids**

CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia .--- The Alllowa Fair, which Sunday (19) closed its six-day, seven-night run, returned a bigger profit than the '55 edition which ran eight days

Despite rain two forenoons, paid attendance totaled 148,900. This compared with the 160,000 total last year when the event ran one night and two days longer.

Midway receipts of the William T. Collins Show was \$36,500, Andy Hanson, fair secretary, said. The ride and show gross in '55 was \$44,000.

A new all-'ime single day's gate mark was set on closing day when 28,900 went thru the outside gates. A new record one-day grandstand crowd also was registered the same day, with more than 11,000 paying to see the stock car races staged by Frank Winkley. Previous one-day highs for gate and grandstand had been set in 1949.

On the other days of the fair, higher gate totals were turned in than on the corresponding days last year. Day-by day grandstand business, both afternoon and night, also was up. Paid night attractions included three performances of an Ernie Young Revue, two performances of a rodeo staged by Bob Barnes, of Cherokee, Ia., and one by the Hendricks' Horsecapades.

tion, which was being featured at the time, was continued in one of Shows, managed by F. M. (Pete) the barns. The storm put out the Sutton, played the midway with lights a couple of times, but the fair 22 rides, 3 shows and 40 concescompleted its programmed activi- sions.

The Frank W. Babcock United





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Disneyland Drawing Top NAAPPB Crowd FOR SWIMMING Anaheim Summer Session Will Set New Record; 150 Reservations In

the summer session of the National Long Beach amusement park area. Association of Amusement Parks, Final phase of the session will be Pools and Beaches to be at Disney- a side trip to San Francisco, where land here starting September 18 members will be guests of Whitare in final shape.

From Chicago, the NAAPPB headquarters reported that reservations have topped 150 and it became certain that the attendance Denver a few seasons ago.

Activities at Disneyland will be day (20) the group will see more of Disneyland and then visit Knott's

Detroit Funspot Off; New Owner Plans Expansion

DETROIT --- Business is off be September 22. about 20 per cent in the first season for Sam Raynovich at Wonderland Amusement Park in down-river Ecorse Township, but it is still considered good, in view of the combination of unfavorable weather. unemployment in auto plants, and Opens Lafe

Raynovich is a newcomer this

ANAHEIM, Calif .--- Plans for | Beery Farm, unusual park, and the ney's Playland-at-the-Beach.

In Chicago, Paul H. Huedepohl, secretary of NAAPPB, said that those planning to make the tour should arrange for reservations very will exceed the record 154 set at shortly in order to be assured of space at the Disneyland Hotel.

The schedule starts with arrival September 18 and 19. On the next at Disneyland on September 18, and a party at the hotel that evening. On September 19, the group will register at Disneyland City Hall, have luncheon at the Plantation House, see the Golden Horse-shoe Revue, tour other Disneyland Herschell Ups areas, have a social hour and dinner at the Gourmet's Private Lounge and follow up with an evening's tour of the funspot.

After the tour of Long Beach and of Knott's Berry Farm on September 20, the group will have a day without planned activities (21). The San Francisco visitation will



'DIVE-INS' AID NIGHT TURNOUT EAST POINT, Ga. ---"Dive-In" movies are being offered here as a stimulant to

night swimming pool business. Roy Grayson, park director, shows 16-mm. short subjects on a rubberized screen mounted at one end of the pool. He mixes a variety of subjects, such as cartoons, features, and Red Cross instructional films, and says an attendance gain of 60 per cent has resulted. A permanent projection booth and boost in power to provide louder sound are planned for 1957.

Rides Prices 5-8 Per Cent

NORTH TONAWANDA, N. Y. -The Allan Herschell Company will increase prices of its rides from 5 to 8 per cent effective November 1 of this year, President Lyndon Wilson announced last week.

In a statement issued last week Wilson said: "In the last year, the costs of labor, steel, drive equipment and other production items have increased from 8 to 15 per cent."

On-Off Attitude Hits Arrested Jersey Ops

have been prevalent emotions games are within the law. among some of the New Jersey Also arrested were 19 operators this summer's legal developments. and Sea Isle City, with Skillo and A rash of arrests this week hit Fascination named as the offenses. many who thought they were op- The arrests were made despite a erating within the framework of written opinion by the North Wild-What is the law?

policy has been in effect at several taining gambling establishments. places, and operators scarcely there, have had scores of diffi- on their expenses. culties.

Original trouble stemmed from the State Supreme Court's decision that skill is no longer an element Frontier Town in the legalization of games. Altho it specified mechanical or electrically operated units, where prizes were offered, various interpretations have been applied on the local level. So even non-mechanical games, like ball games, pitches, dart games, etc., have been shuttered.

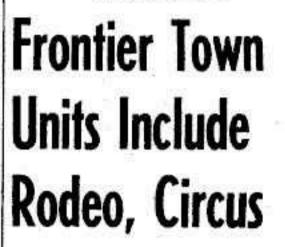
Five operators of bingo-styled games were arrested in Atlantic City this week, with the games labeled variously as Playo, Skillo, Thrillo, and Skill Bango. Some had sought to take advantage of a



NEW YORK --- Annoyance, later decision by a State Superior aggravation and downright disgust Court judge that Fascination-type

shore concession operators over in North Wildwood, Wildwood, the law, but the difficulty is: wood city solicitor that the games are legal. All defendants denied A fluctuating games control the charges of gambling or main-

Weather has turned favorable in know where they stand from one the season's closing weeks and all week to the next. Many gave up affected operators were missing out the ghost a month ago and wrote on their best grossing period. The the season off as a dismal failure. trouble started the week prior to The ones who have been attempt- July Fourth, before concessioning to get in a few days here and naires had a chance to get even



NEW YORK---- A 500,000-gate season is in the making for Frontier Town, the Western-type attraction in North Hudson. One of the Adirondack Mountains' leading operations, it sprawls over 100 acres and offers a myriad of entertainment elements.

Outside gate price is \$1.25 for everyone over age 10, a quarter for younger ones. Special shows within go for a quarter. This year they have included twice-daily rodeos, and circus presentations by the Poodles Hanneford performing family. Numerous frontier buildings house stores, which are operated by the seven corporations comprising the attraction's management. Mac Anderson reports. Rides include a stagecoach unit and steam train pulling five coaches over a half-mile of track. Both have interruptions by mock holdup men. Spot reportedly has a 200-person

season, having formerly operated a drive-in restaurant, a beer store, and a dairy outle^{*}, as well as working in steel mills. He bought the park, established about five years ago, from John Quinn. Quinn, who was owner of the World of Pleasure Shows before turning to park operation, is retiring.

Wonderland Park embraces about five acres, and now contains 10 rides and nine concessions. Two adjacent operations, a midget golf course and a golf driving range, are operated by John Orlicki. No new attractions were added this year, but an extensive maintenance program was undertaken. This included reconstruction work following a tornado early in the season which knocked down the Ferris Wheel and seriously damaged the Merry-Go-Round.

Planned for next year, according to Raynovich, are the addition of a number of both adult and kiddle rides, and some changes in park layout. A change of the park name is under consideration, partially dependent upon the proposed incor-poration of the area as the new city of Southgate.

Kiddie Acts For Dorney

ALLENTOWN, Pa. -- Kiddie attractions have boosted the atat Bob Plarr's Dorney Park, it is reported.

Appearances have been made by WRCE-TV's (Philadelphia) Pete Boyle, Bob (Looney Balloons) Rollins and Bertie the Bunyap puppet, Captain Video, Zippy the Chimp, the Magic Clown, Seneca Indians, Howard's elephant's and ponies Starr and Ranger Joe, and Mr. Rivets, mechanical man from WRCA-TV, Philadelphia.

Feinberg of New York.



NEW YORK--Newest Southern New York attraction is the Birch Hill Game Farm, 100-acre spot between Brewster and Pawling, on Route 22. Opening is planned for Labor Day week, with admission scaled from 25 cents for children to 75 for adults.

Place features winding woodland trails and both wild and domestic animals. Included are a pit for bear cubs, and Kiddieland. Rides include a Renssalaer Miniature Train, and Herschell Sky Fighter, kiddie Merry-Co-Round, and wet boat ride.

Advertising and publicity is be-ing handled by the Persson Agency of Carmel, N. Y.



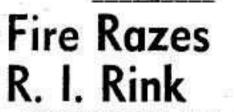
Birch Hill Game Park near here opens August 27 on a 500-acre tract about 90 minutes from the heart is evident among New England Beach has benefited from crowds of New York City. A Rensselaer miniature train has been installed to take visitors on a scenic skyling ride that overlooks the expanse of row after a wet and cold July. the Haarlem Valley.

Herschell Boat Ride and a Sky all reported a spurt in business. tendance during July and August Fighter. There also is a conces- With a break in the weather there sion stand. Animals are among the was every expectation that the sea- ing well at several spots thruout major features.

tion for which officers are Putnam weather. County officials. Paul Lundelius, Toye is park manager.

(from Clyde Bros. Circus), Sally September I, when guests will in- free acts, bargain and kids' days. room. It is his first season at opclude stockholders, officials, Roland The new Holmes Cook miniature erating the park. Lindemann and the Catskill Game golf reportedly has caught on Acts are booked in by Abe I. Ivan Sanderson, big game hunter pended its free acts but business Collins at Lincoln Park, North in the pended its free acts but business Collins at Lincoln Park, North bas not suffered.

Because of these increased production costs, Allan Herschell finds it necessary to increase ride prices from 5 to 8 per cent, he said. The Plans for a West Asheville Amuseincreased rates will apply to rides ment Park are "washed up-and and equipment shipped on and out," backers of the development after November 1, 1956, he added. said.



PORTSMOUTH, R. I. -- Fire despite a steady rain and the the park never materialized. efforts of 75 firefighters. The cause was undetermined.

been used for gatherings, dances mer flood in July that closed the and bazaars.



WEST ASHEVILLE, N. C .---

Rex Smathers Jr., president of the corporation, was quoted as saying the enterprise had been abandoned partially because of a flash flood that damaged equipment and facilities last month.

Smathers added that the 21-acre payroll. destroyed the skating rink building site the firm leased has been reat Island Park here Tuesday (21). turned to the owner. Earlier plans The wooden building was leveled for spending \$100,000 to develop

The park opened in mid-June with a few amusements. These In recent years the structure had were damaged by a sudden sumpark.

TAIL-END WEATHER OK FOR NEW ENGLANDERS

park and beach operators, blessed with the third good weekend in a

Inland spots like Norumbega, Other rides include an Allan Lincoln, White City and Whalom business done by Gene Dean's son would work out okay despite the territory. Mulcahy featured The park is owned by a corpora- a weak start caused by poor the McGuire Sisters last weekend

county treasurer, is corporation were serving to hold crowds late yet. Douglas Farrington at Notreasurer and general manager. Bill at Revere and Nantasket. Larry rumbega Park reported a good Stone, at the latter beach's Para- gross from the Glenn Miller or-Formal opening ceremonies are gon Park, has been profiting from chestra at his Totem Pole ball-Farm, suppliers of the animals, and nicely. Revere Beach has sus- land has been paying off for John

Midway action at Salisbury using the new State development of roads and beachfront. Good turnouts at Dennis Mulcahy's Frolics night club is also reflected in his rides and concessions and the units.

Name attractions have been doand said they played to more than Schaefer Beer fireworks displays 15,000 fans, his best attendance

A big and costly new Kiddie-

Ontario Beach Names Queen

STAYNER, Ont .-- Dixie Pavilion at Wasaga Beach near here has staged a successful promotion to select a Miss Rock and Roll, according to Manager Frank C Mevers.

He said that preliminary winners were selected nightly for 10 days and the finals were conducted on a Saturday. Included was an auto caravan in which participants appeared.

The winner was a 14-year-old. The affair got publicity for the beach and pavilion in Toronto papers and others. At the time of the finals, the pavilion was packed and turned-away couples danced on the beach near by. Spot gets 50 cents nights and 25 cents for afternoon sessions.

Garlin Rides Closed Down

BALTIMORE --- Carlin Park here is in only partial operation. The swimming pool and skating rink are open, but the midway rides and stands are closed down.

Site of the park is one of several spots being proposed here as the location of a new municipal arena.

BOSTON----A note of optimism



Roller Rink Folk Gather in Richmond

Audrey Payton Named Queen; Re-Elected Boydston RSROA Prexy; 3,675 Register

attendance of 3,675 persons was served-seat holders. . registered for the 1956 American Amateur Roller Skating Championships and convention of the Roller Skating Rink Operators' Association of America (RSROA) held here July 25-August 3. Daily attendance at Claude W. Robinson, a member of the Arena, where the championship skating events were held, rar 2,000

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RICHMOND, Va .--- An official higher thru admissions and re-

During the opening night ceremonies, exhibitions were presented by winners of the 1955 championships held at Toledo. The invocation of championships was given by the RSROA board of control.

Audrey Payton Queen

Seven regional RSROA winners entered the Skating Queen Contest, with the final award going to Audrey Payton, of the Merryland Dance and Figure-Skating Club, Glasgow, Del>.

Re-Elected Boydston

Thomas S. Boydston was reelected president of the Roller Skating Rink Operators' Association. Other officers elected were: John W. Sawyer (re-elected), Arthur Russell (re-e ected), Kalph Fox trol for a three-year term.



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addition to Victor J. Brown, RSROA advisory chairman, and President Boydston, included Welles A. Gray, assistant manager of the Taxation and Finance De partment, U. S. Chamber of Commerce; Charles M. Taylor, Richmond, York Refrigeration Company representative; M. S. crankle, vicepresident, Hastings Air Control Corporation; Hon. John Montgomery, judge of Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court; George S. Bright, president, New Zealand Roller Skating Association, Inc., and representatives of the various firms that exhibited in the trade show.

The championships and convention details were well handled, with the RSROA Dress and Conduct Committee maintaining high standards at all times. Favorable reports were common in press and on radio. Col. O. D. Garton, Chief attended the IAAM convention. of Police, was on the premises thruout the championships and acted as one of the judges in the Queen Contest.

Good Press

Coverage of the meet and convention was exceptionally thoro and favorable. Several pages in all were devoted to the events by The **Richmond Times-Dispatch and The** erous.

Auditorium Meeting Closes at El Paso

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Iran, Holland and Lisbon.

J. E. Plewis, acting manager of the new building under construction at Edmonton, Alta., told about the structure, which will have 2,700 seats, 7,000 square feet of exhibit space and several meeting rooms. The same blueprints are being used to build an identical auditorium at Calgary. Both are being paid for out of profits made from oil rights held by the Province of Alberta. A. R. Patrick, minister of the department in charge, also

Charge for Cooling?

At the request of William Stark, manager of the Syracuse, N. Y., building, managers told how they handle charges for air conditioning. Most buildings incorporate the fees in their regular rental, but some find it necessary to make separate charges to those who require air conditioning. Still others make no

heim, Brazil, Ankara, England, | from 12,280 to 18,000 for various types of events, that he also will have 280,000 square feet in an exhibit hall, 190,000 square feet in livestock buildings and 21,840 seats in a stadium. The project is to be completed September 6, with the fair opening the next day.

The other was James F. Walsh, who told about the New York Coliseum. Since the city would not undertake its financing, this building was authorized by the State and built by the Triborough Tunnel Authority, which does not have taxing power. He is an officer of the company which leases the Coliseum from the authority. The Coliseum accounts for \$22,000,000 of the \$35,000,000 project, he said. Features include 300,000 feet of exhibit space, 25 box offices, lobby standing space for 6,000, and show space on four floors. Walsh sold \$1,000,000 worth of leases before the Coliseum was built.





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Beatty Set to Go; Plan Sarasota WQ; Seeks Havana Date

Staff, Performers in Deming Quarters; Maley Three-Ring Circus opened Train Moves Tuesday; Rehearsals Start

Clyde Beatty Circus will move out of quarters here Tuesday (28) and show will tour until November 20, rehearse an extra day at Las when it will close in Florida and Cruces, N. M., before opening there move to winter quarters at Saraon Thursday (30).

The big top was up here Friday and Elvin Walsh. Fourteen pro- show. motion men are handling advance

Mills Business **Holding Strong** In Ohio Towns

BAINBRIDGE CENTER, O.-Mills Bros.' Circus has been scoring some good attendance as it moves westward across Ohio.

At Howland, O. (16), the show Print. had half and three-quarter houses with Legion auspices, good weather and a far-out lot. The sponsoring fire department at Barberton, O., reported a half house for the afternoon and a straw house at night. Weather continued good. In Bainbridge Center, outside Chagrin Falls, the fire department made \$650 with total attendance for the two performances at 2,580. The circus will go into Indiana and will play the Chicago area in late September. Plans call for the show to end its season at Louisville confirmation. October 15.

DEMING, N. M .--- The new | work along the contracted route. It was confirmed here that the sota.

Word also came here that plans (24) and rehearsals were under are being finalized for the Beatty way. Vic Robbins has been signed show to play the Sports Palace in to head up the union band. Fred Havana, Cuba, during the holidays Jones has the Side Show. Two period. This day has been played twenty-four men are Karl Knudsen in the past by the Ringling-Barnum

Beatty on Hand

Clyde Beatty has arrived in quarters and is taking part in preparations. Edna Antes is expected from Sarasota on Saturday (25). Eddie Paul Kelly. Concession manager Howe and Howard Y. Bary are working press. Roland Butler is public relations consultant and has done the show's art work for newspaper ads and other material. He also has advised the show on publicity matters.

billed, it was said, using dates from show was said to be the reason. Enquirer Show Print and pictorials | Maley remained in Stroudsburg from Majestic and Neal Walters Monday and expected to go to Posters Corporation, as well as pos- Hammonton, N. J., the Tuesday tal heralds from Central Show stand. But later reports were that

Maley Starts Strong; Loses Next 3 Stands

STROUDSBURG, Pa. --- The here Saturday (18) to good busiday and there were reports that it the Hamid-Morton Circus. also blew stands Tuesday (21) and Wednesday (22).

the Alberto Zoppe Family and Cuciola, Marion Seifert, Bert Pettus and family, Harry Rooks, and others. Ora O. Parks was handling press. Show is equipped with a new 100-foot round top with three 40-foot middles.

equipment was accidentally included in the stuff that was taken to Peru, Ind., as that claimed by Tom Kennedy went to Peru to reclaim the equipment.

Altho the show had an easy jump to Burlington, N. J., for Monday driver and big top canvas truck had reached the lot there by 2 p.m. The Beatty show will be heavily A shortage of drivers to move the it, too, was lost.

Hamid-Morton Sets Boston Shrine Date Will Work Eight Shows on Two Weekends;

Move Out for Games; Skip Week Days

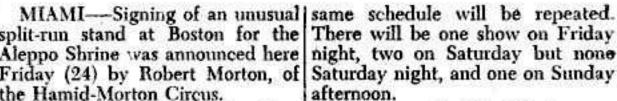
ness. But the show lost its second Friday (24) by Robert Morton, of Saturday night, and one on Sunday

The show will play Boston Gar-The opening performance had return to the city after a five-year stand and the AGVA efforts at cirabsence, he said. Earlier, the cir- cus production this spring. He said cus played 10 annual stands in he believed this would tend to have Boston.

New contract provides that the a circus this fall. show will open with a night show on Friday, November 16. The Saturday schedule calls for a morning show will strike ground equipment Gardens, after the Saturday afternoon show, only. At night the arena will be Hamid-Morton will select acts for given over to a basketball game. the coming season. Show equipment will remain in the (20), only a house trailer, stake building, but the circus will be idle UTOPIA? on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of that week.

On the second weekend, the

Leonard Turns



September 1, 1956

Morton recalled that Boston was den, and the stand will mark its the scene of a disrupted Ringling the city in a frame of mind to see

> Boston Garden, managed by Walter Brown, seats 16,000.

Morton said the season for In Stroudsburg the show had a show, an afternoon show, but no Hamid-Morton will start October strong afternoon and better night night show. Latter is out because 1 at Toronto. The show will be house. No concession department the building is to be used for a playing the city for its 24th year was in operation because necessary hockey game at that time. The and will appear at the Maple Leaf

Meanwhile, Morton is scheduled but aerial rigging will stay in place. to go to New York in September to On Sunday, November 18, the confer with Hans Lederer about show will have an afternoon show European importations from which



Emmett Kelly Returns Home

HOUSTON, Mo .- Emmett Kelly played his home town three days. The clown, who had not been back here for 36 years, was on hand for day (24). the Old Settlers' Reunion.

The reunion grounds have been renamed Emmett Kelly Park, and he was presented with a key to the city. He was accompanied by his wife and their infant daughter. The Kellys visited his sister and brother-in-law, the Clem Smiths, of Houston. Kelly visited the farm house that was his family's and found where he had carved his name on a barn well. The Springfield, Mo., News-Leader carried a page of photographs of his visit. Kelly's first show job was at the Old Settlers' Reunion 36 years ago.

Ohio Town Does Okay by Millers

FREMONT, O .--- Al G. Kelly & and radio commercials .plus exten-Miller Bros.' Circus drew top-grade sive newspaper publicity .- To woo business here Thursday (16). Aft- the family trade, children are ernoon house was near capacity, admitted free. and the night show pulled a straw house.

fresh.

it forever."

Michael Burke Leaves Ringling-Barnum Post

of Michael Bailey Burke from Ringling Bros. and Barnum and Bailey Circus was reliably reported this week, but Ringling chieftains could not be contacted here for

Burke has been executive director since prior to the 1955 season. He has been away from the circus since about the time of its closing in mid-July, but returned here a few days ago. That is when the separation is understood to have taken place.

In charge at quarters is Rudy Bundy, but he was unavailable Fri-

Other sources said that there has been no activity at quarters except that some performers work Sunday shows. While they work without

Sunbrock Track Uses Giveaways

ORLANDO, Fla. --- The Sunbrock Speedway, operated weekly by Larry Sunbrock for stock car racing here on the Old Winter Carden Road, has been making use of elaborate give-away promotions as an attendance builder. Typical is the award of a complete set of furnishings for an entire house to a fortunate ticket-holder.

Track goes in heavily for TV

Virginia and Al Hustrei, sway Weather was good and town was pole, were featured during August at Grona Lund Tivoli Park in Show is said to be using adver- Stockholm, while Liseberg Park in tising copy which reads, "Last of Gothenburg offered Gautier's "Exshow.

SARASOTA, Fla. --- Departure | pay, according to best information, the arrangement permits them to stable and feed their animals at quarters.

> Novelles Burkhart has resigned on the show. as legal adjuster and will vacation he is feeding the small work force. week.

Fair in Illinois

South: Crowds

MATTOON, Ill.-Leonard Bros. Circus did fair business in Central Illinois, with Eureka among the plan to protect and prolong the better stands and Macon among the circus industry may be a Utopian weaker.

Show's advance now includes Bob Bullock and Vera Hines. George Cole completed his scheduled stay. Phil Presson is handling banners and other promotion back subscribed to a fund.

The Leonard show, managed by in Kentucky and Indiana for the Arthur (Hardtimes) Leonard, made present. Steward John Staley is Mattoon (20), Nokomis (21), Mount among those still at quarters, and Olive (22) and Virden (24) this

4 Mexican Shows Doing Well **Near Border; Seek Animals**

outs.

been good.

and people would go overland.

doing good business. It was dealing for animals and a new tent in the United States.

at Reynosa. It is ordering elephants, rosinbacks, a zebra and a camel in the U.S.

Muerte Business Off

Only show in the area which apparently was not doing top busi-Camargo, while its lion and bear ring at Reynosa.

REYNOSA, Mexico.--Four out | Muerte has an opening spec, an of five circuses which have been eight-piece band and an almost playing near the border have been daily change of program during a winning good business and give stand. Billing and radio spots have four or five performances each on been doubled in an effort to up Sundays to handle the big turn- business again. There is a strong man act. The strong man formerly Aremenio Osaria, partner in the worked with a bear but recently Osario circus, reportedly was broke its neck, so now he works mauled recently by cats in his 12- straight. Captain Rodogal has the lion act. Business for the show has lion act. Glorio Ramos works trapeze. Senor Arias has ponies and Circo Union, at Rio Bravo, was trained mule. Others are Guateplaying to capacity. Owner Jesus maltecos, acrobatics, and Mante-Fuente was in Mexico City for con Troupe, trampoline act which permits to make an 800-mile jump. includes a man who formerly was Most of the show was to be moved with Gollmar Bros.' Circus in the on railroad flat cars, but elephants U. S. Feature of the final show in each stand is a battle to death be-Circo Vasquez, at Remariz, was tween a lion and a bull in the steel arena.

brothers. It moves on 12 trucks laio were destroyed in a stable Circo National had big crowds with 12 trailers. They also use two fire here Thursday (9). house trailers. Show includes five carnival rides and a string of concessions.

Ringling-Barnum tent-making deness was Circo Muerte. It was at partment until recently, has joined the Hoosier Tarpaulin Company at the big circuses. See it now or miss cess Baggage" in the Cabaret Hall acts were booked into the bull Indianapolis as tent production supervisor.

Ot Millions

NEW YORK --- Harry Hunt's one, he admits, but he doesn't mind telling newspapers and friends about it. If the idea becomes a reality, it would result in a couple of million dollars being

Hunt says this: If only 25,000,-000 people would contribute a quarter apiece to a properly managed foundation, the benefits to circusdom would be profound. The money would permit gala children's days thruout the country with tickets provided by the foundation, for example. Shows would exchange the tickets with the foundation, for money. Stranded acts would be helped, and struggling shows would get subsidies to help them thru difficulties.

The money could also be used to take care of circus folk who retire or have an accident. "There is no security in the business today," Hunt notes. "We have no pension plan, no old age home."

There are loopholes and problems galore, Hunt admits, but says the only way to work the thing out is to present the basic idea and see what the reaction is, before proceeding. He hopes to interest national fraternal organizations in establishing the foundation.

Five Show Horses Perish in Blaze

BUFFALO--Five show horses Show is owned by the Rodogel owned by John (Little John) Nico-

Nicolaio's four-horse Liberty act perished in the blaze along with his dancing horse. The animals were valued at \$7,500. Two other John Auldridge, foreman of the horses also died in the fire and damage to the barn housing the animals was put at \$10,000.

Nicolaio announced that he had canceled several fair dates originally booked.



UNDER THE MARQUEE

ida, B. C. Davenport's Free Circus Brown Bobby Burns. has been playing to satisfactory business thru Georgia, Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee, Kentucky, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois. It is now moving back into China and Dorothy Durbin, Chuck Kentucky, headed for the Carolina tobacco markets. The tour will take the show into Texas for a late closing at Gonzales winter quarters.

Jim Conley, of the Riding Conleys and an owner of Wonderland Park, Batavia, O., recently underwent surgery in a Cincinnati hospital. He expects to be laid up for the next six weeks at his home in Batavia.

Howard Y. Bary was exhibiting an elephant for several days after the Ringling show closed. Earlier, while ahead of R-B, he had visited Allen Lester and William J. Lester, former Ringling advance men, at Roseville, O.

Joe Basile, bandmaster with Hamid grandstand shows and the Hamid-Morton Circus, is working Olympic Park in New Jersey with a 35-man band for the season. He hops out to key fairs on occasion. Charles Basile is taking another unit to a long string of fairs. Joe also continues as bandmaster on "Big Top" TV show. . . . J. W. Hartigan Jr. caught Beers-Barnes in West Virginia.

From Tom Packs Western, Don Rey writes that Jeff Murphree had a blowout which overturned his trailer. The Dukes' trailer also was overturned when Beverly Duke had an accident and went off the road. No one was injured. . . . Dick and Antonio CFA's, visited the Beatty Jenny Wallenda Faughman had quarters and Disneyland. . . . The auto trouble and missed a stand. Ralph Hartmans and Jerry Braa, . . . The C. W. Hoebers and son returned to the show after a fourday visit to Las Vegas and Los Angeles. He is manager of the show. . . . Because of high wind in several stands, Willie Robbin, of the Flying Hartzells, had taken some falls. . . . Karl Wallenda blacked out during an afternoon performance in hot sun and Gunther Wallenda came across the high wire to assist him. James E. Douglass reports from Von Bros.' Circus. He writes that his act, jugglers and clowns, joined just after completing the season with Clyde Bros. . . . Von Bros. is awaiting delivery on new marquee and Side Show canvas. . . . The Tanya Troupe played Willow Park, new baby elephant, Dixie, is creating much interest on the lot. . . Show returned to Long Island last week. For a stand at Leavittown, N. Y., they added Mickey Sullivan's band, Winnie Colleano and Slim Collins. . . . Visitors included the Joe Meyers Family, Eunice Goundry and her mother, the Bill Val-

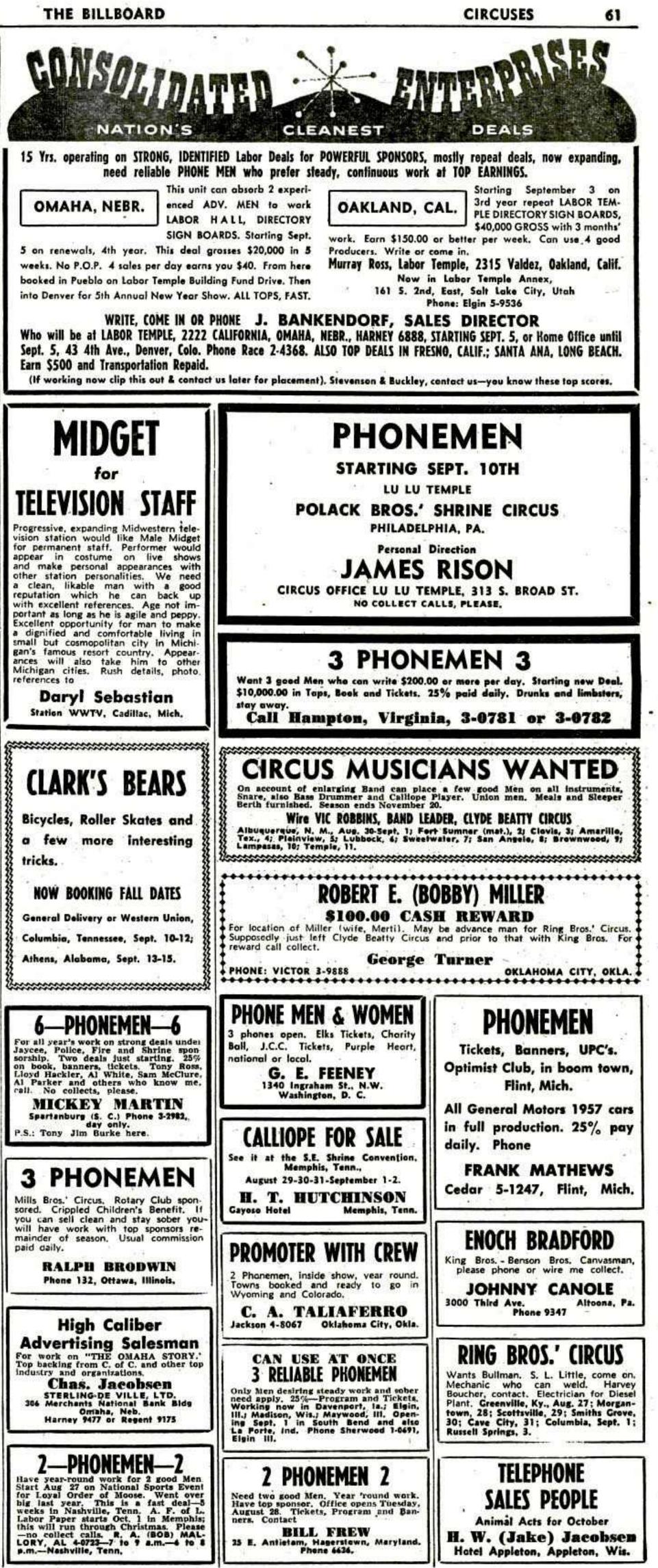
Since opening January 9 in Flor- entines, Howard Suesz and Hi-

Viola McLeod and Nellie Vaughan visited Polack Eastern at Peoria. . . . Bloomington visitors were and Evelyn Simpson, Eldon and Joanne Day, Don and Ed Raycraft, Bert and Agnes Doss, the Fred Larrys and Grandmother Larry, Harold Ramage, and Loraine and Sherry Valentine. . . . E. Philip Schandein, owner of the Pabst brewery, entertained Polack Eastern people at Bloomington. . . Mrs. Jeanne Meyer, daughter of the Rex Ronstroms, and her daughter, Jeri Jean, visited. . . . Members of the Henry Kyes CFA Top visited Henry Kyes at Bloomington. . . Happy Hunt entertained the Harold Voises. Mr. McElwee entertained the Voises, Mrs. Bessie Polack and Ray Oyseth in Peoria. . . . Arden Kreisch and Gene Randow have new station wagons. . . . Visitors to Polack Eastern included Ed Knoblaugh, Raymond Duke, Russ Palmer, Bob Allen, Johnny Farwell, Cliff Reddy, Nina Holmberg, Nettie Kelly, Helen and Si Baer, Larry Chapin and Bill Roerig.

Ralph Rothrock came on from Hollywood to join the Clyde Beatty billing crew. . . . Gil Gray Circus was in Liberal, Kan., last week. Roland Butler is working on

material for Robert Lewis Taylor, who will publish it in the New Yorker next spring. Taylor also is to publish a book made up of the circus biographical pieces he has had in the New Yorker.

Frank and Thelma Pahlman, San CFA's, caught the Circo Union in Mexico recently. . . . Clyde Beatty talked with Tom Scaperlanda in San Antonio while on his way to Deming recently.





Ben Davenport and Charlie Campbell were on the Silas Green lot in Paducah, Ky., recently and conferred with the show owners. Campbell also visited the Rabbit Foot Minstrels recently, when his Marie O'Day Palace Car day-anddated that show. He visited with Wingy Sanders and others.

CFA Roger Brown caught Jay Gould Circus in Alcester, N. D., and saw the show do four overflow houses. . . . The Al Bedell-Philadelphia, recently. . . . The Montes DeOca played Ocean View Park, Norfolk. . . Otto Zange caught Mills Bros.' Circus.

Bill Naylor is back as press chief with Polack Eastern.

Among those passing thru Chi-



FAIRS-EXPOSITIONS

THE BILLBOARD

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Rain Stubs Ottawa Bid for 500,000; **Grandstand** Clicks 81,974 Sets One-Day Gate Mark;

Names Set Grandstand Records

OTTAWA---A sure-fire attend-|"dream house" on display at the tion until it ran head-on into rain independently. Wednesday night (22), which continued steadily thruout feature, the World of Mirth Shows Thursday (23).

days. This was 15,587 more than show earnings were several thouthe total for the same period a year ago and a whopping 41,526 more than for the same three days day rain trimmed this advance and in 1954. The fair opened on Saturday (18). All segments are there was a chance that the midclosed on Sunday.

While Tuesday was some 5,000 under last year with an attendance of 57,159, the loss was hardly noticed after Monday's all-time record one-day turnout of 81,974some 13,000 more than last year. Top single-day figures for the 69year-old event in the past had ranged short of the 80,000 mark.

Grandstand Big

Aiding and sharing in the bonanza, according to fair officials, were the GAC-Hamid presentations in front of the grandstand. J. K. Clarke, assistant manager directing the fair's efforts in the absence of H. H. McElroy, manager, who is hospitalized, said the Kiddie beautiful weather and to bright tional money Friday (24) when it Kapers presentation broke all promises. grandstand existing afternoon records on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. The Mariners, first name talent slated for this event, backed by the GAC-Hamid International Revue. broke all grandstand records Monday night - a formidable accomplishment in view of the fact that 10 and 15 per cent. The number the 10,000-seater has been jammed on numerous occasions in the past. The show clicked again on Tuesday night, drawing a capacity house even the the weather was whereas reserved seats, previously cold. Two performances, Wednesday and Thursday, were presented at \$2 and \$2.50. in the rain, with the Thursday showing staged in a steady downpour. This effort was highly praised by the public and fair officials.

ance record appeared in the mak- grounds. Tickets for this drawing ing for the Central Canada Exhibi- cost \$1 each ard were sold

The other major entertainment on the midway, also sailed along Thru Wednesday (21) the event at a record-breaking pace until the had attracted 197,976 in three rains came. Thru Wednesday the sand dollars ahead of the same period a year ago. Thursday's allmore, however. Still, officials said, way organization would at least equal last year's earnings with favorable weather on Friday and closing Saturday.

150 CHICKENS BAKED IN PIE

SYRACUSE --- The New York State Fair, which last year helped promote the State's poultry industry with fried chicken prepared in a 15-foot frying pan, this year will show its patrons the "world's largest chicken pie." The pie, which will be displayed in the Poultry Building, was made from 150 chickens and baked in a pan over 15 feet wide. The huge piece of baked goods will be a feature of the Eggland section of the building which has been visited by over 400,000 people since it was first put on exhibition three years ago.

Clinton, N. C., Moves To New Fairgrounds

CLINTON, N. C .--- The Sampson County Fair this year will be held at its new grounds two miles west of this city on Highway 24. Dates are September 17-22, with Vivona Bros.' Shows as the midway attraction.

100,000 Gate Seen Possible At Altamont

ALTAMONT, N. Y. --- An attendance of 100,000 or more seemed likely as the Altamont Fair entered its final sessions Saturday (25). Attendance a year ago was reported at slightly more than 70,000.

The fair has been building interest with a straight \$1 gate for adults with a free grandstand, Attractions for the latter are furnished by the Al Martin Agency.

In addition to the free show some 50 prizes are awarded free each night. In the afternoon a total of 20 prizes, including two bicycles, are awarded to youngsters. On three of the operating days youths were admitted free.

Attendance was hurt by rain on Tuesday (21). In spite of this the Tuesday (21). In spite of this the Coleman Bros. Shows reported Civic Meets midway earnings up 25 per cent.

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WIS. STATE CONTROLS POLS

MILWAUKEE-The Wisconsin State Fair last week renewed its stand on political campaigning by stopping Wisconsin U. S. Senator Alexander Wiley from passing out literature at the fair. Wiley, who was handing out cards in the Agriculture Building, was stopped by park police on orders of Don McDowell, State director of agriculture. The Senator was surprised but promised to co-operate and respect the wishes of the fair. The fair restricts political campaigning to the concession area.

Topsfield to **Include New**

TOPSFIELD, Mass.--- A good advance sale for reserved seats to the grandstand show featuring Eydie Gorme in the "Fair Frolics of 1956" has been received by the Topsfield Fair, according to Paul M. Corson, general manager. The event, September 2-8, has also reserved more space than in any previous year for its livestock show. The exhibit of beef cattle has to date 500 entries, a new peak.

The grandstand show, booked by GAC-Hamid, will cost \$1 for The additional seats will be general admission and will also have "Dancing Waters." The Budweiser horses will be another attraction. Corson reports that commercial space for industrial exhibits has been sold out, and Dean & Flynn, who will handle the midway, are almost solidly booked up with concessions. A new feature will be the Miss Essex County beauty contest, with 30 beauties already entered. The fair will open Sunday with a horse show and famed "Mutt Derby" on the greyhound track, when moppets bring their pets to race the rabbit. A big promotion this year will be joint district meetings of Rotary, Lions and Kiwanis clubs. These events are expected to draw at least 500 members to each group meeting.



ST. PAUL-The 10-day Minne-| cattle and swine show was split, sota State Fair, which last year set with the first six days to be for 1,007,101, opened Saturday (25) in

and FFA classes.

GASTONIA, N. C.--The Spindle-Center Fair has increased its an all-time attendance record of open classes, the other four for 4-H grandstand capacity by the addition of 3,100 seats, Howard Robbins, The fair picked up some addi- general manager, announces.

Kochman in Rain

A fair crowd saw the Jack Kochman Hell Drivers in the rain on Thursday afternoon. At night a surprisingly large crowd turned out to view the Hell Drivers in a downpour,

Once again the fair resorted to the giveaway of a new automobile each night. The drawing was coupled with numbered admission tickets.

An added drawing covered a \$25,000 completely furnished

North Battleford **Gate Count Dips**

NORTH BATTLEFORD, Sask. -Attendance at the three-day North Battleford exhibition was 19,177, down 242 from last year. An all-time second-day record was set when 10,426 entered the grounds. The first-day gate was 4,471 and the third-day total was 4,280.

Grandstand turnout for the three days was 11,483, down 1,142. Parimutuel play was \$11,574 for an increase of \$1,104. Some 4,817 cars entered the grounds, a decrease of 337. Weather was good all the way.

At noon, the gate count was placed at slightly ahead of last year at the same point. The 1955 opener finished with an attendance of 89,-436,000, a new high.

Advance ticket sales for grandstand attractions were up between of such tickets not only was up but the price scale also was higher. Unreserved seats were priced at \$1.50, as against \$1 last year, sold at \$1.50 and \$2, were pegged

The afternoon grandstand program embraces nine days of auto racing, all to be staged by Frank Winkley, and one performance of Aut Swenson's Thrillcade, while the night schedule calls for nine performances by the Barnes-Carruthers No. 1 Revue and one by the Thrill- of 1955. cade.

Entries in various livestock classifications were so high that there were record turnaways, and the

trials. About 2,500 paid.

The Royal American Shows Frimore money than last year.

the credit for the banner run. The

night feature, International Revue,

featuring the Mariners, and Kiddie

Kapers, special afternoon feature with Lassie the wonder dog and

Superman, both played to turna-

way audiences. TV Discoveries, on opening Sunday (12), also played

Kiddie Kappers turned away

several hundred on Tuesday after-

noon and again at the Wednesday

matinee performance. Two shows

were necessary to accommodate

the crowds at the Thursday and

Friday night performances of the

International Revue. Turnaways

were registered by the same show

Kochman Sets Record

well. Jack Kochman's Hell Drivers

played to a record crowd, fair offi-

cials said, on Saturday. The O. C.

Buck Shows, on the midway, set

Turner heaped praise on GAC-

Hamid for their "timely presenta-

Other show units did equally

to big audiences.

held time trials for Saturday's auto added to care for the expected reces to trim the starting field from turnout to see Bill Haley and His 52 cars to 32 and charged 50 cents Comets, recording TV performers, to those who wanted to see the who will be featured three days of the run.

Other fair week attractions inday night (24) repeated the prevue clude Jack Kochman's Thrill Show night instituted last year, opening AMA motorcycle races, fireworks up from 6 to 11 p.m., and bagged by Spencer Fireworks and the John Marks Shows on the midway.



ELMIRA, N. Y. -- The tion of star attractions, which are Chemung County Fair closed out sure to help all fairs." the most successful run in its his-

Elmira, like many other fairs this tory Saturday (18). Robert S. year, had headline talent for the Turner, general secretary, reported first time. The combination of the business a full 20 per cent ahead Mariners, Lassie and Superman, plus a strong line-up of variety tak Show features, particularly those ent and the principal GAC-Hamid offered by the CAC-Hamid talent revue, paid off handsomely, according to Turner. firm, were given a large share of

Rain Washes Out Run ST. PAUL, Alta. --- Heavy rain washed out St. Paul's annual twoday fair.

Greenville Shrugs Off Rain, Matches '55 Gate

GREENVILLE, O .--- The Drake mutuels, which drew strong turn-County Fair shrugged off the effect outs. Rain washed out the Thursof bad weather and went into the final day of its centennial run Friday (24), almost matching its big run of '55. Gilbert A. Lease, manager, said Friday afternoon that he expected total attendance to be just a few thousand under last year's Wednesday and Saturday gate of 260,000.

Biggest day of the week and a the fair. new one-day record was Tuesday (21), when the birthday was celebrated. Upwards of 85,000 people Waters unit, was hurt somewhat packed the fairgrounds to see the by the weather but still topped big parade and pageant staged by last year's gross figures. the Antioch Shrine of Dayton, O.

traction during the rest of the week this year. The building measures 90 was harness racing with pari- by 200 feet.

day night (23) program of trotters, but the heats were doubled up Friday with a big bargain program.

The Sunday night (19) attraction was an American Legion drum and bugle corps competition, which proved popular. The Joie Chitwood thrill show was scheduled for two performance Friday night to close

The Gooding Amusement Company, bolstered by a Dancing

The fair opened its new 3,300-Major night and afternoon at- seat Coliseum, which was finished

Sports Mag **Runs Feature** On Du Quoin

NEW YORK-fhe current (August 27) issue of Sports Illustrated devotes its cover, four pages of color photographs and two pages of text to the Du Quoin (Ill.) Fair.

The fact that the famed Hambeltonian harness classic will be switched to Du Quoin from Goshen, on N. Y., the caliber of the fair's nights. horse show and the racing interests of the fair owners, brothers Gene and Don Hayes, provide the reasons for the attention given the fair by the national sports maga-

The timing is advantageous to a new fun zone gross record. the fair which runs August 26-September 3.



Added Days Aid, Rain **Hinders Hamburg Aim**

the old equalizer, rain, caught up the loss of working hours to rain. and put the brakes on the record The grandstand, which featured a pace Thursday (23). Even so, a program of GAC-Hamid acts bestorming of the gates on Saturday ginning Monday, did well. Kiddie (25) could easily lead to a record Kapers, featured on opening Saturopened on a Monday and closed on with the moppet specialty credited Saturday, the attendance was with a near-capacity turnout. 291.467.

Big turnouts were assured, in good weather, for the popular firemen's parade on Friday night and the veterans' parade on Saturday. Some of the crowd lost to Thursday's rain is expected to be picked up.

Tyler, Tex., Adds Talent For 8-Day Run

TYLER, Tex .--- The East Texas Fair has increased its attraction program as a result of the addition of two days to its run this year. Annual will open September 8 for an eight-day run.

A Grand Ole Opry unit with Minnie Pearl, Jimmy Davis and his troupe, and Jimmy Dickens and His Country Boys will each give two performances during the fair. The Hunt-McCafferty icer, "Stars Over Ice," will take over the Mayfair Auditorium for the final four days with two performances scheduled for each evening. Free attractions will be Polgar, The industry show, in its second per Michigan State Fair caught hypnotist, who will perform twice year, was reported enlarged. Exnightly on the bandstand, and John hibits, on the whole, were said to day run which opened Tuesday Fiorella, organ grinder, who will be up 15 per cent over last year. move about the grounds. Don Attendance was again bolstered Franklin Shows will provide the by the admission free each day of midway attractions.

HAMBURG, N. Y.--Two added | On the midway the James E. days shot the Hamburg Fair Strates Shows reported earnings toward a new attendance mark, but about even with last year despite since the five-day total thru day afternoon, and TV Discoveries, Wednesday (22) was announced at with Lillian Briggs and Pat Boone 201,129. Last year, when the fair that night, drew good audiences Tom Lucet pointed out that last

Thrill Shows Score

drew capacity audiences on Mon- bred horse racing to reach a total day and Tuesday. Bill McGaw's handle of \$483,338. The previous Motor Olympics, substituting for high figure was in 1954, when the tht Irish Horan Lucky Hell Drivers, total was \$412,000. was rained out Thursday but came back strong on Friday and was set to go again on Saturday. The Mc-Gaw unit, it was reported here, will fill in other Horan dates.

Officials Arthur Fries, president; big firemen's muster. George Sipprell, treasurer, and Frank Slade expressed satisfaction with the results. The added days, which this year provided a measure of rain insurance, will probably be continued. They were credited with and urban appeal at the event.

Promotionally the fair again was in high gear with publicist Dick Allen reporting two Buffalo radio stationr maintaining studios on the grounds. Considerable television film was shot for airing thruout the week over area stations. Additionally, two Buffalo TV stations conducted femme contests, one for beauty and the other for "farm maids." Emphasis of the later was on homemaking.

Okay Weather Draws 147,509 To Weymouth

THE BILLBOARD

SOUTH WEYMOUTH, Mass. -Weymouth Fair wound up its seven-day run Saturday (18) with its second biggest total turnout. The 147,509 figure was just under the 1946 record. New manager year a hurricane closed the plant ing the night grandstand show, down after two and one-half days.

Perfect weather made it possible Jack Kochman's Hell Drivers for mutuals for the six-day thoro-

> For the first time in the fair's history, it was reported, the night grandstand show, booked by Adams & Soper of Boston, brought in a profit. Also a feature was a

> The fair, with a free Children's Day on Tuesday, was a banner one as well for the Lagasse Amusement Company of Haverhill.

The fair was under direction of a new group, with Lucet serving establishing a nice balance of rural his first year as manager and Daniel Reidy as president. Also new was the publicity director, Boston public relations man Floyd Bell.

Sioux Falls Heads For New Gate Mark

FAIRS-EXPOSITIONS

Sioux Empire Fair Saturday (25) was well on its way to a new all- with Frank Winkley to stage the time attendance record.

The gate count thru Friday (24), fifth day of the seven-day event, stood at 78,000, only 3,000 under the previous attendance record for the full seven-day run.

Al segments of the fair, exceptwere up in the first five days. Howard B. Manners, fair secretary, said the receipts for the night show, a revue booked in by GAC-Hamid, were down about \$6,300 from last year at the end of the first five nights. Manners described the show as a good one and ascribed the drop in receipts to unusually cool night weather. The revue was in for seven nights.

Rodeo Goes Big

Daytime weather was ideal, and matinee grandstand attendance was strong. A rodeo, staged by Butler Bros., of Elk City, Okla., played to capacity grandstands three afternoons beginning Tuesday (22). "Crand Ole Opry," in Friday afternoon, also played to an excellent grandstand turnout.

Modified stock cars were skedded for Saturday afternoon (25) and new stocks were to be raced



ESCANABA, Mich .--- The Up- | was to do the same closing night.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D .-- The Sunday (25). A local group was to present the Saturday speed bill, Sunday racing program.

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On the midway, the William T. Collins Shows racked up a considerably higher gross in the first five days than was registered in the corresponding period last year. Greater earning power and the fair's bigger attendance were responsible for the fatter gross.

The 16-year-old fair opened in the wake of considerable plant improvements. These included two new combination toilet and restroom buildings costing \$25,000, a new industrial building, 60 by 200 feet, and. four new livestock buildings.

A horse barn and two swine buildings leveled by a tornado a week and a half before the fair's opening were rebuilt in time for the opener.



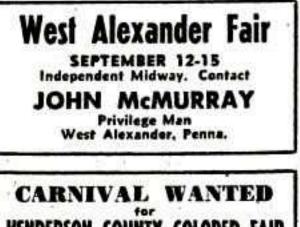
all children under 16.

Stockton, Calif., Tops '55 **Despite High Temperatures**

Joaquin County Fair, which started was an estimated 180,000. out strong but was slowed by hot weather, last week was moving ahead of 1955 figures. On Tuesday (21), fifth day of the 10-day run, the event was reported to have chalked up 2,200 more paid visitors than last year, and R. E. (Dick) Walker, serving his first year as secretary-manager, expected to show additional attendance in creases.

Opening day, Friday (10) showed 6,299 paid, with Saturday and Sunday hitting 18,183 and 14,106 respectively. Monday and Tuesday pulled 8,630 and 9,228 for a total of 56,435. The total at-





HENDERSON COUNTY COLORED FAIR Lexington, Tennessee Week of October 1 to 6 Call Professor C. C. Bond Woodland 5-2712-Day Woodland 5-3578-Night

STOCKTON, Calif .-- The San | tendance in 1955 for the full run

While no comparative figures were available on the pari-mutuel handle, the wickets were said to be handling \$15,000 per day more than last year. Eight days of racing were skedded.

Walker moved into the managerial spot here early this year to succeed E. G. Vollmann, who had managed the fair for more than a quarter of a century.

send-off with Larry (Bozo the a good crowd. Clown) Valli appearing at events prior to the fair's opening. He returned Monday (20) to play the rein advance of the opening was Hal deGarro, stilt-walker. They were booked as were Shaftons Puppets; Boxley and Marie, magic and illusions, and John A. Strong's Circus by Isabelle Whah, of Fun Unlimited, San Francisco.

The grandstand show was also produced by Miss Whall and featured on Wednesday and Thursday (22-23). The inc-up included the Hilo Hattie Show with Carlyle show. Nelson's Hawaiian orchestra, John-

and Chief TiaLiu. Others on the show were Johnny Matson, emsee and comic; Wayne Roland, ventrilo-Martez and Company, acrobats, and Ford and Harris, comedy dancers.

Shows, headed by L. G. Chapman. Jaw and Swift Current.

rain the first two days of its six-(21). It partly offset those losses in the next two days and went into the closing weekend with the strong possibility that it would finish close to or even ahead of its past peak attendance.

Rains were sufficiently heavy Wednesday (23) to wash out the afternoon harness horse races and the night grandstand show. The night show, booked in by the Val Campbell Agency, Detroit, had different headliners for each of the first three nights-the Pompoff Thedy Family, Peg-^{*} eg Bates and Sales the Ink Spots, and they drew well.

Chitwood Ups Crowds

Joie Chitwood's Thrill Show, in both night and afternoon Friday, played to good crowds, both better than the thrill show turnouts of last year.

Wednesday's rained-out harness horse races were added to Thursday's regularly scheduled sulky Walker gave the event a sound racing program and accounted for

Midget auto races were sched-Tuesday and Wednesday (14-15) uled for Saturday, and stock car races were to be presented closing day afternoon. Eddie Dean was to mainder of the fair. Also used head the country-western program Saturday night, and Merv Shiner

Medicine Hat, Alta., Racks Up 13G Net

MEDICINE HAT, Alta .--- The Medicine Hat Exhibition and Stampede Company cleared \$13,239 this year, with \$10,997 of the amount coming from the recent three day

Finance chairman Don Hawny Ukelele, Hawaiian Dancers line, thorne reported that receipts for the exhibition and stampede totaled \$53,404 with expenditures of \$42,-407. Biggest item in the receipts quist; Duke Art, clay modeling; was the sale of tickets which brought in \$31,117. Royal Canadian Shows were on the midway and KBD Enterprises provided the The midway contract was again grandstand show. Medicine Hat filled by Foley & Burk Combined is in a loop with Lethbridge, Moose

Despite rain the first two days and the resultant attendance drop, the W. G. Wade Shows were given excellent business on the midway. At the end of the first four days the midway gross was 40 per cent higher than for the comparable period last year.

The Wade show unfolded much earning power. The Dowis Sky Wheel was in the line-up, marking the first time that spectacular ride had operated in the Escanaba area. A Scrambler also worked, and it marked the first appearance of that ride in Michigan's North

Sales of space was at an alltime high, according to Ray La Porte, fair secretary. The principal plant improvement was a new addition to the 4-H dormitories.

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> > Occupation

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10 More Pullmans Increase Strates' Size to 50 Cars

Steel, Air-Conditioned Units **Purchased as Show Improvement**

steel air-conditioned Pullman cars \$60,000. were delivered to the James E. show train for the move to the Strates said. New York State Fair, Syracuse, on Sunday (26) will permanently in-34 are flats.

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The cars, purchased directly these units. from the Pullman Company and, in itself, an unusual arrangement the compact short-jump Eastern greater than the cost for 40. for the acquisition of show railroad equipment, were acquired, Strates said, primarily as a major show improvement. In addition, he said, the cars, all but one of which are composed of rooms and compartments, will serve to create better road living conditions for his show personnel. Before the purchase the show had available a maximum of 60 rooms and the demand for such accommodations far exceeded the availability, he said.

The cars are described as exceptionally fine. Several were used as recently as last year for presidential cross-country trips. The oldest is said to have been built about 23 years ago. Most are not

Strates Shows here Friday (24), with berths, may be turned into a sleeping units as more and more of Their immediate addition to the combination dining-recreation car, their personnel turned to trailer

Show Owns 68 Cars crease the size of the show train railroad cars, including 18 on his were made available only when to 50 cars, Strates said. The make- own siding at his Orlando, Fla., the Pullman Company began turnup will include six additional winter quarters. Of the 18 stored ing out light, stainless steel cars sleepers in use thruout this season in Orlando, three are sleepers. as replacements. for a total of 16. The remaining Strates indicated that he now planned to sell some, if not all, of the train size to 50 cars is the be-

HAMBURG, N. Y .--- Ten all- cost to the show ranged around territory is surprising, since the tendency in recent years by Eastern The one car, equipped throut railroads has been to cut down on living.

> Negotiations for the cars was Strates now owns a total of 68 begun in June. Strates said they

> A decisive factor in increasing lief that the railroad cost for trans-The addition of so many cars in portation of that number is no

SECOND **Buck Party** Nets \$1,250 For Clubs

MALONE, N. Y .--- The second jamboree staged on the O. C. Buck Shows netted a reported \$1,250 bringing the season's total to nearly \$2,700. Joe Marciano Jr., Betty and Curley Hutton, Ceorge Cordon, Danny and Macy Dorso and (24), opening day of the 10-day Stach Grey formed the committee event. in charge.

Box lunches were auctioned. Ligh bidders were Mickey Mc-Bride, Romeo Bushard, Larry Marcassio, Sid Goodwalt, Raymond **Gibson and George Gordon. Oscar** C. Buck was master of ceremonies with George A. Hamid Sr. a guest and principal speaker.

Entertainers included Happy Linquist, Ava Carroll, Mrs. Joseph (Ruby) Marciano Jr., girls from the grandstand revue, and Lee Barton Evans, GAC-Hamid company manager.

Marty Weiss, executive secretary of the Miami Showmen's Association, was a visitor. He reported signing 42 new members.



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Olson Shows Hit Stepped-Up Gait At Des Moines

Springfield, Ill., Gross Off Little, **Final Count Shows**

DES MOINES --- The Olson Shows got off to a flying start at the Iowa State Fair here Friday

Ride and show receipts were more than double those for last year's Labor Day, the day that Friday (24) actually replaced, inasmuch as the fair advanced its dates by one day to eliminate Labor Day operation this year.

The Friday opener (24) also was Kids' Day and this played a big part in the huge gross on the midwav.

The Skooter garnered top money in the ride division and Cene Vaughan's revue was the No. 1 money-getter among the shows.

The Olson Shows came in here from the Illinois State Fair, Springfield, where their ride and show grosses were off only a few percentage points from last year, tho the fair suffered a sharp drop in attendance, largely because of much rain.



Rain Slows Record WOM Ottawa Pace **Business Good But Elements**

Slow Drive on \$175,000 Handle

OTTAWA---A record p..ce set | grossed other new units presented by the World of Mirth Shows on here in the past.

the midway of the Central Canada As is its custom, the show ex-Exhibition was diluted somewhat pended every effort to present its on Wednesday night (22), and by a downpour all day Thursday (23). of Dancing Waters was added for a downpour all day Thursday (23). of Dancing Waters was added for Prior to the coming of the rains the the run. About \$11,000 worth of was put in use here for the first time. All of Bernard (Bucky) Al-000 mark during the seven-day len's concession units sported new tops. About \$1,900 was spent in rebuilding the entrance to the mid- fair for nine years, switched to a way, constructed especially for this different spot on Timberlake Road. event and stored here. On the en-

more than 20 years old. All were said to have been in regular service as little as a week or two prior to being delivered to Strates so that there has been no chance of deterioration.

The replacement value is estimated at well over \$100,000 per unit today. While no figure was released, it is believed that the

Train Hits Vernon Truck

SALEM, Ind .--- C. A. (Curley) Vernon's United Exposition Shows here from Belvidere, Ill.

The truck and trailer hauling the cookhouse was demolished when it stalled on a railroad crosslocation and caught fire. The blaze around \$40,000. was extinguished but not until the driver was painfully burned.

Mrs. Vernon, wife of the owner, rejoined the show here after spend- considerable newspaper publicity. ing several days in a hospital.

show was running several thousand new canvas, secured thru the O. dollars-ahead of its best previous Henry Tent & Awning Company, effort and the outlook was for show and ride earnings to top the \$175,event.

The weather cleared Friday (24) and altho the day is one of the least fruitful, show owner Frank Bergen voiced the opinion that the dollar count might yet equal that of last year before the Saturday (24) closing.

one-day attendance of more than 81,000 on Monday. The fair opened on Saturday. Operations had double trouble on its move were suspended as usual on Sunday.

The show topped all of its previous single day records here on Monday, Children's Day, despite ing near Greenwood, Ind., and was the fact that ducats were pegged struck by a train. In addition, the at 10 cents until 6 p.m. It was semi carrying the Tilt-a-Whirl cars recalled that the announced gross turned over in a ditch at another on this day a year ago was

Twister Succeeds

A new Allan Herschell Twister was added here and resulted in The ride was reported to have out-

NEW CNE MARK?

Conklins Aim for 600G at Toronto

ride and show business for the The big 14-day event opened in Conklin Shows here Friday (24) the wake of a lashing rain Thursat the Canadian National Exhi- day (23) that started at 11 a.m. and bition was 25 per cent higher than continued until 11:30 p.m. The in 1954 but down \$4,000 from last rain precluded a final dress reyear, when patronage had been hearsal of the exhibition's big night upped by the appearance of some grandstand show and slowed make-10,000 Boy Scouts in Canada for an ready throut the grounds. Except international jamboree. The Scouts for minor touches, however, the accounted for an estimated \$9,000 Conklin midway was in readiness in midway spending last year.

The CNE's opening day's at- ing (24). tendance was down 5,000 from last year and its receipts from the

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TORONTO --- Opening day's grandstand was \$7,000 below 1955. for the opening Friday morn-

(Continued on page 68) seven days were cool.

LYNCHBURG, Va. ---The Lynchburg Agricultural Fair Was not played this year by the Close to 1955 John Marks Shows, as recently reported, but by the Gold Medal Shows.

Marks, who had shown at the Repeaters on the Marks lot this L. I. Thomas Shows experienced (Continued on page 68) year include the Harry Weiss bingo.

Bolstering the take was a record HAS 'EM BEAMING Milw'kee Business Good for Everyone

smiles aplenty on the midway of the Velare Rotor in the place of the Wisconsin State Fair were Sat- a show. The Rotor, managed by urday (25) as the nine-day Wis- Jim Deal, enjoyed sharply higher consin State Fair entered its final grosses than last year, when it weekend. All segments of the mid- was spotted among the rides in they are slated to open Friday (31) way operation reported good to the Rose line-up. Besides the Ro- at the fair there. Fair dates played seven days of operation.

sparked the strong business. For Charlie Rose, operator of the permanent park installation, Sunday yielded the biggest single day's gross in his many years of operation here.

Thumping Sunday

In the Fun-on-the-Farm sector, all units reported thumping Sunday business. Hank Shelby, manager of the games, said it was the best day in four years. Ralph Ammon and Archie Gayer, who jointly head up the show and food-anddrink operation in Fun on the day's business.

At the end of the first seven fair's gate was up sharply from last year. The weather, however, had been anything but perfect. Rain pelted the first Saturday and hit again Thursday afternoon and

MILWAUKEE --- There were The Fun on the Farm presented

At Crown Point

CROWN POINT, Ind. -- The good business at the Lake County Fair here thru Friday (24), sixth day of the eight-day event.

The ride and show grosses were slightly under those of last year, and the small dip in receipts was ascribed to tighter spending resulting from the recent steel strike. Nights were cool but weather otherwise was good.

Top money-getter here was the show-owned 12-car Skooter. A Twister, booked in by Earl Ingalls, registered excellent patronage. Concessionaires reported spotty business.

The Thomas Shows move from here to Charleston, W. Va., where excellent business during the first tor, other units which worked un- thus far have held to the usual der the Ammon-Gayer banner were past good level for the show. A whopping Sunday's (19) play a "Grand Ole Opry" unit; Lash Spring dates were marred by con-(Continued on page 68) siderable bad weather.

SHOWS IN 2 UNIONS Coleman, Buck Sign **Teamsters' Union Pacts**

have been signed with the Carnival achieved by Karsch in the East. and Allied Workers Union (AFL), Farm, beamed broadly over the Local 447, St. Louis, an affiliate of James E. Strates Shows and the the Teamster's Union, by Coleman World of Mirth Shows, and one Bros. Shows and the O. C. Buck intersectional operation, the Cetlin days they were still smiling. The Shows, both sizable truck oper- & Wilson Shows, hold contracts ations which confine their activities with the Retail Clerks' Union, New to the East.

ranged by organizer Harry Karsch, followed several weeks of unevent- Karsch organization. Archie McAskill's Illusion Show most of the nights during the first ful negotiations. The agreements are the first held by either show

ALTAMONT, N. Y .--- Contracts with any union and are the first

Two other Eastern shows, the York local. The Royal American The acceptance of the pacts, ar- Shows, first to sign a union contract, is also affiliated with the

According to Coleman, the con-(Continued on page 68)



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MIDWAY CONFAB

Toronto, Indianapolis and Columbus, O. . . . C. F. (Doc) Zeiger, retired owner of the show bearing his name, recently left Los Angeles to visit New York, Toronto Hastings, Mich. His wife, Joyce, and Niagara Falls. He'll spend a few days with his brother in the last-named spot.

Exposition Shows the past 30 years, ily, Al Gerand, Charles and Grace is in Central Florida Tuberculosis Swain, Kellis and Patti Hamilton, Sanitarium, Orlando, for observation. Mrs. Kepley's address is P. O. Box 3513, Room 260, Ward B. . . . Gean Nadreau, of the Carrell Ani- Johnson, Jerry and Sherry Baker, mal Circus, is confined to a Spring- Leon Robinson, Harold Risch and field, O., hospital following a slight James and Lois Glass. Kitty Glosheart attack. His wife, Gay, is at ser's sister, Molly, visited from his side.

Mrs. C. A. Stephens and Mrs. Kelly Renfrew were recently feted by the ladies of C. A. Stephens' Shows at a joint birthday party. Mrs. Renfrew by her spouse. . . . Rachel Lilly has moved her palm- La., home after vacationing in Vir-Mobile, Ala. . . . Audrey Lee Par-Wild Bill Forkum's thrill unit.

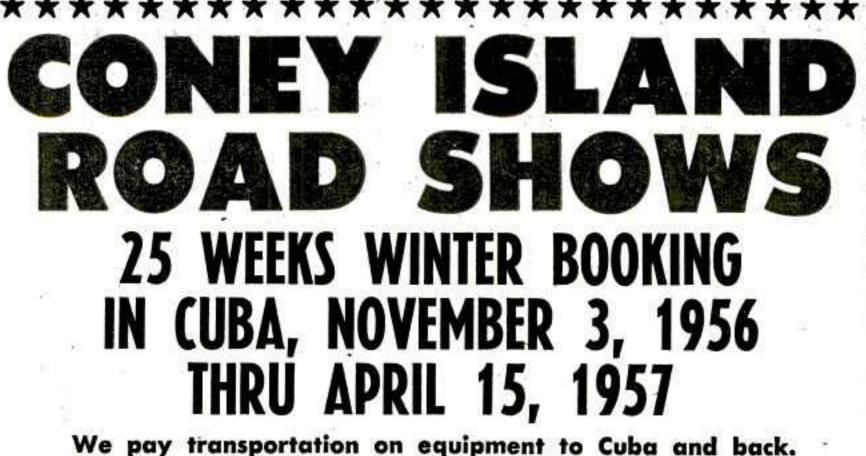
Mr. and Mrs. Earl Purtle held a birthday party for one of their ride foremen on Cetlin & Wilson Shows at Seladia, Mo. Guests included Ray Garrison, Jimmie Brewlonged trip to Detroit where she with their mental turn. visited her two brothers and sister. Mrs. Davis and her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Fox, drove to Indianapolis, St. Louis and Batesville, Ark:

Clif Wilson, veteran midway where he's also general manager. show operator, spent a couple of ... Turner Scott will shutter his days in Chicago last week. Wilson's Daytona Beach, Fla., ride operaon his annual tour of fairs and after tion Labor Day. . . . Charles Norvisiting the Springfield, Ill., event man is confined in the North Carwas headed for annuals in Milwau- olina Sanitarium, Ward 2, McCain, kee, St. Paul, Detroit, Louisville, N. C., and would appreciate mail.

Tommy Lane, of World of Pleasure Shows, was guest of honor at a surprise birthday party at organized the event and guests included Louis and Estelle Bell, Rod and Rita Link, Gregory and Jocile Link; Eph and Kitty Glosser and Mrs. Dixie Kepley, with Royal son, Danny; George Mitchell fam-Bill (Semi) Estep, Alyce Forrester, Albert Deguer, Ronnie Webster, Dick Hallock, Walter and Betty Chicago and also attended.

Johnny Kinsey wound up as advertising agent for Continental Shows and joined Amusements of America to operate the Funhouse. Among the gifts was a camera pre- En route to Rochester, N. Y., he sented Mrs. Stephens by her hus- visited the Coleman midway at band, and a parakeet presented Afton, N. Y. . . . Joe and Vie Shirkey are back at their Walker, istry location to the outskirts of ginia and Washington where they visited their son, Harold, and other koo, gal stunter, recently joined relatives. . . . Joseph Lehr reports he visited Joe Ross and Leo La-Salle, who are on the front end of the Hannum organization after spending most of the season in a park.

Bertie LaPage is managing the yer, Amos Steel, Ole J. Knutson, annex on the Alfredo Side Show Mike Warner, D. Hamby, Cliff on the Hottle No. 1. John Star-Druber, William Case, Ralph At- key joined recently with tattooing kinson, Gilbert Roland and Mr. and and Albert Preston, alligator boy, Mrs. G. Edgbert. . . . Mrs. John came on several weeks ago from B. Davis, wife of the owner of Shreveport. While the show was Southern States Shows, is back at at Springfield, Mo., the Alfredos Panama City, Fla., after a pro- entertained the local Lions Club



Camaguey Feria (last year's attendance, 200,000), Commercial Feria Santa Clara, Holguin Fair, Feria Sancti Spiritus, Havana Police Benefit. WANT: Organized Thrill Show for Fair dates; send photos and literature.



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Recent visitors at the Detroit scene were Forrest Freeland, Jack O'Dare and Al Sheehan.

Paul Godfarb worked novelties at the fair in Rhinebeck, N.Y.

The three Monica Daye shows on the King Reid midway are all mounted on semis, usually features sequined evening gowns on the bally, and have been doing okay business thus far, it is reported.

Claudia Crawn's fourth birthday was observed at a party attended (Billy) Wingert. by Mr. and Mrs. Al Schmid, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Negus, Mr and Mrs. Phil DeMalio, Bobby and Rickie DeMalio, Lynn and Wayne Crawn, Louis Riski, Sandra and Johnny Miller, Patty, Anita and Danny Matter, Gary Michael Grosso, Jimmy and Bobby Sears, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Ryan, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Grosso, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Hendrix, Barbara Williams, Bingo Red, Mr. and Mrs. Cism, Clarence Lauther, Mack, Peggy Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Danny Dell, Mr. and Mrs. Lou Dell, and members of the Vivona family, Claudia is the daughter of Don and Mary Crawn.

Joe Sharp closed with Byers Bros. and has his rides and concessions on Fitzsimmons Shows,

DIXIE AMUSEMENTS Want for Sheldon, Mo., Old Settlers' Picnic, Aug. 29-Sept. 1. 4 Fairs to follow: Jay, Okla., Sept. 5-8; Sallisaw, Okla., Sept. 10-15; Mulberry, Ark., Sept. 17-22; Foreman, Ark., Sept. 26-29. Want Grab Stand, Photos, String Game, Bumper, Coke Bottles, Roman Targets, Popcorn, Candy Apples, others not conflicting. Address CLIFFORD DAVIS

Per Route

Mr. and Mrs. Don Franklin, owners of the show bearing that name, were serenaded by the Austin, Minn., Shrine Oriental Band, while playing the fair there. After a concert in front of the Franklin's house trailer, they marched down the midway under the direction of John Loring.

Bill Wingert, who with his wife retired from show business, nine years ago, entered Jewish Hospital, Cincinnati, Sunday (26) for observation and possibly surgery. Since quitting the business, the Wingerts Johnny Canole and Joe Prell ment house in downtown Cincin-isited the Amusements of America nati. Jewish Hospital is located at have been operating a large apartvisited the Amusements of America nati. Jewish Hospital is located at in Huntingdon, Pa. On that week 3200 Burnet Avenue, Cincinnati 29. Wingert is registered as Henry

> Visitors to the O. C. Buck Shows included James A. Carey, of the New York State Department of Agriculture and Margets, and J. Victor Faucett, secretary of the Steuben County Fair, Bath, N. Y. ... Jim Quinn, Buck general agent,

plans to spend the winter in California,

One of the best publicity getters for the World of Mirth Shows is turning out to be Georgia Sollenberger, 22-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Sollenberger. A three-column story and picture in The Ottawa Citizen described her life and actions while the show was playing the Central Canada Exhibition, Ottawa. The youngster's father is show secretary. Her mother, the niece of Mrs. Frank Bergen, operates several concessions.

Veteran William C. (Doc) Crosby also garnered considerable pub licity in Ottawa. The life and times of Doc and some of his cohorts were described at length in The Ottawa Citizen.



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THE BILLBOARD

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Bernard-Barry Party Nets 1G

ROBERVAL, Que .- The Tampa and Miami showmen's clubs benefited to the tune of \$1,000 from a jamboree held on Bernard & Barry Shows here Friday (17). Bernie Arent and William (Bill) Baker, co-owners of the shows,

supervised the event which was held in Charles Taylor's Cotton Club top. Assisting them were Mrs. Phyllis Baker, Mrs. Evelyn Bonder and Mrs. Sis Campi.

Jerry Bonder and John (Fingers) Campi were in charge of the fund raising.

Alamo Rides, Shows Up 20%

COLUMBUS, Kan.-Jack Ruback's Alamo Exposition Shows trucked a long 335 miles here last week after a good stand at the Sidney, Ia., Rodeo.

Rides and shows received the bulk of the attention at the rodeo and as a result were 20 per cent ahead of last year, Ruback reported. Concessions, however, took a slight drop. Before leaving Sidney, Ruback pocketed the contract for next year, when the event will run August 13-17.

WANT FOR EAST TEXAS DISTRICT FAIR, Tyler, September 8-15

DON FRANKL

Eight full days and nights, including two Saturdays - and for the Texarkana Four States Fair, Texarkana, Tex., September 17-22 - and long route of proven Texas Fairs:

SHOWS

Non-conflicting Shows. Committee money only. Con place Monkey or Chimp Show, Mechanical, Mickey Mouse, Illusion, Monkey Motordrome, Big Dog, Little Horse. Bill Dusin, can place you. Any Shows of merit, no Girl Shows. Want Operator for office-owned Midget Cattle Show. Side Show Help; A-1 Front Man. Fire Eater, Sword Swallower, Knife Thrower, other Acts, Freak to feature; Ticket Seller, Working Men. Salary tops and sure. Jain at once. Frankie Doran, Side Show Manager.

RIDES

Can place Ride Help for 18 office-owned Rides. Must be licensed semi drivers. Especially need Man for Allan Herschell Looper just purchased. Bill Howry, phone me collect if available. Kid Ride Help starts at \$50 weekly plus bonus. Need same for Rockoplane, Scrambler, Round-Up, Scooter, Tilt, Roller Coaster, Twin Wheels and Looper. Can use Wives on Tickets or Concessions.

CONCESSIONS

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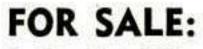
Can place Glass and China Pitch for balance of season. Matt Armstrong, **Ralph Wagner and Lefty Block can** use Hanky Pank Agents due to the added Concessions for Southern Fairs.

We hold the contract for the Charro Days Celebration, Brownsville, Tex., February 23 through March 3, 1957.

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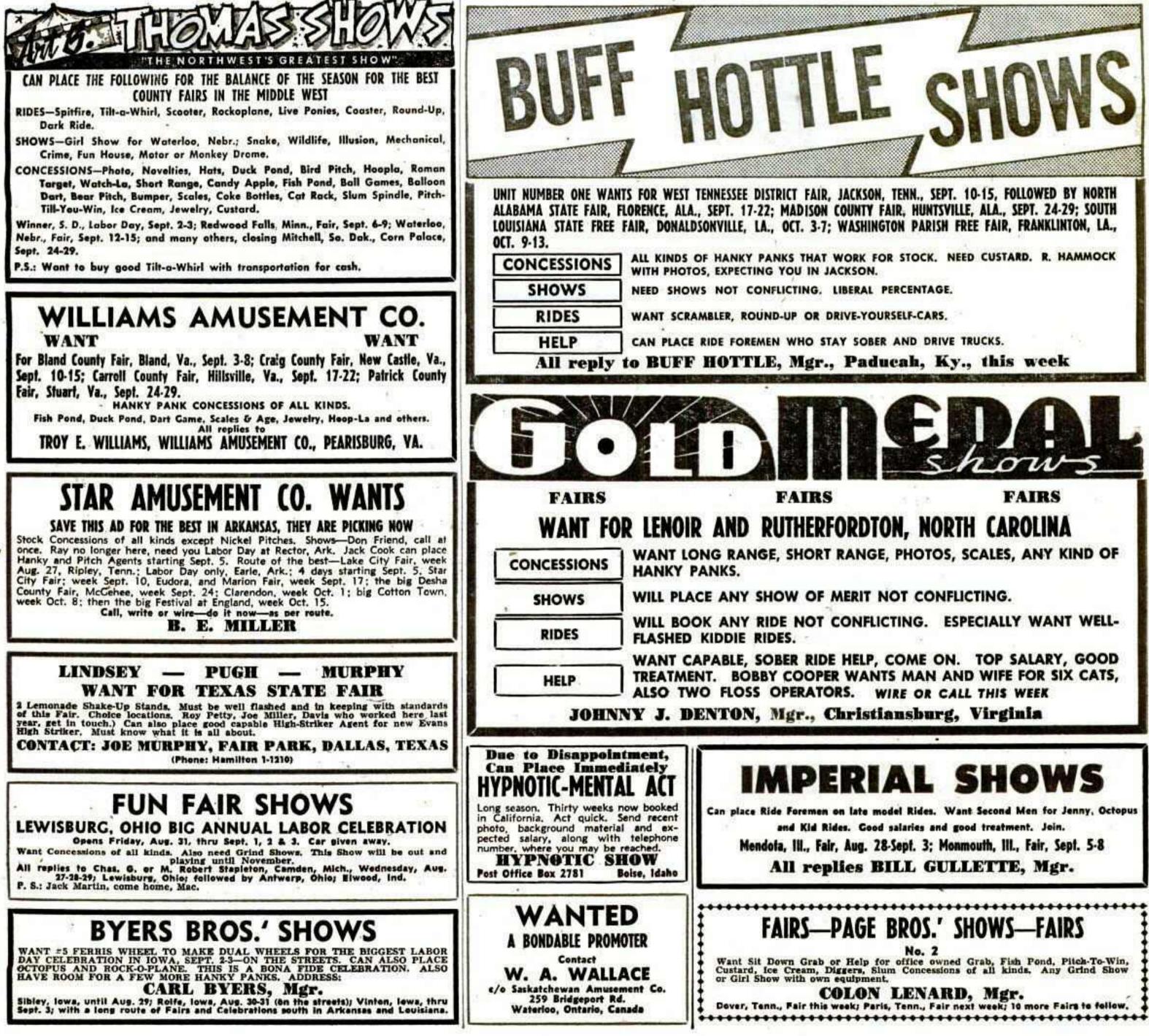
Don Franklin or Ralph Wagner

Coffeyville, Kan., Fair thru Sunday, September 2. Will be on fairgrounds at Tyler, Tex., Tuesday, September 4.



Rides for sale at close of season: Large 30-passenger Round-Up, like new, used 1 season; terms to responsible person.

One 12-car Skooter Building, used 3 years; no cars or transportation included as we are building a new, larger building for next season.





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RIDES, TRUCKS AND MISCELLANEOUS SHOW EQUIPMENT.

Equipment may be seen at the Michigan State Fair, Detroit, Aug. 30 thru Sept. 9.

Interested parties inquire at show office wagon on midway.

PAN AMERICAN SHOWS

Want for 11 more Fairs, Benton and Camden, Ark.; Coushatta, Natchitochee, De Ridder, Olla, La. All Fairs, 4 in Alabama and Florida. Closing Christmas week, Baton Rouge, La.

RIDES: Ride Help, Foremen and Second Men, must drive, for Roller Coaster, Octopus, Chairplane, Tilt, Kiddie Rides. Also Superintendent and Lot Men. Tom Mehl. answer. Will book or buy Pony Ride, Rolloplane and Kiddie Rides. Must be right for cash. No junk wanted. SHOWS: Want Manager for office-owned Sideshow or will book complete Sideshow. Want Talker and Candy Pitch for Medicine Show. Manager for Animal Show, Snake and Geek Show. Will book flashy Girl Show with three or four girls or any Grind Show. Shirley, contact Jean. CONCESSIONS: Will book Bingo. Must be well flashed. Frozen Custard. Ice Cream, Candy Floss, Snow Ball, Popcorn and Apples. Want Bird Pitch, Glass Pitch, Lead Galleries, Long and Short Range, Grab, Mitt Camps, Hanky Panks of all kinds. Opening for few choice Concessions, Can use Grind Store Agents, one Wheel or Spindle Man. Working Men for Concessions. Must drive. Some P.C. open. Pea Pool Dealer wanted.

JOHN REED, Bus. Mgr. JOHN WARD, Mgr. ALL MAIL AND WIRES FORDYCE, ARK., THIS WEEK. P.S.: Roy, Popcorn open. Lefty, get in touch. Jim Gates, wire.



WANT: Colored Show starting week Sept. 10, Bedford, Virginia, followed by Washington, Rocky Mount, Cherokee, Greenville, all North Carolina; Camden, S. C.; Beauford, N. C. Also any Show or Attraction not conflicting. Can place Slum Concessions at all Fairs. Address

Conklins 600G

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demonstrated great strength opening day, taking first money. Pete Kortes' Side Show held down the No. 2 spot. Glenn Porter's Monkey Hot Rod Races placed third and Alfie Phillips' Water Show was fourth.

J. W. (Patty) Conklin predicted that the Phillips show will hit a \$35,000 gross for the 14-day run. The show is headlined by Brenda Fisher, who about two weeks prior to the CNE's opener swam the Ontario Channel to become the third gal to accomplish that feat. She did it in the fastest time.

Two Scramblers Work

The show line-up here, in addition to the units already named, include a revue operated by Harry Seber; a Negro rock 'n' roll show, operated by Harry Swank; the Mac-Arthur Siamese Twins; the Riverois, globe of death, and a trained seal show handled by Peejay Ringens.

Twenty major and more than 20 kiddie rides are in operation. On opening day the kids' rides accounted for \$800 more than they did last year. Included among the major rides are the Rotor, operated by Ernst Hoffmeister; a new Allan Herschell Company Heliocopter ride and two Scramblers, marking what is believed to be the first time two Scramblers have been presented on one midway.

The Conklin midway grossed \$501,334 here last year. This year the Conklins, Patty and Frank, are shooting for a \$600,000 take.

Rain Slows WOM

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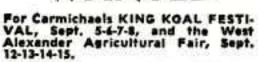
trance the fun zone was designated "Playland." Other lettering in neon advertised the presence of shows,

Milwaukee Good WANTED

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La Rue, Western motion picture star, in a show with Fuzzy St. John and 14 head of horses; Archie McGaskell's Illusion Show, and Gayer's Headless Girl. Jimmie Demetal's Athletic Show, perennial repeater here, operating independently, was spotted nearby.

The "Grand Ole Opry" show offered Jim Reeves, Betty Foley, Red Hayes, Floyd Kramer and Tommy Hill, among others. The McGaskell's Illusion Show reportedly had the biggest one-day's business in Arch McGaskell's many years in the business.



12-13-14-15. Glass Pitch, Penny Pitch, Pitch-Till-U-Win, Coke Bottles, Cork Gallery and Stock Wheels. Will book or buy

And Stock Wheels, Will book or buy Chairplane. Absolutely no flats or gypsies. Write or call JACK LEWIS

At the Carmichaels, Pa., Fairgrounds after August 27.

WANT CONCESSIONS FOR ST. CHARLES, MO., FAIR SEPT. 5-6-7-8-9 This is the good one. MOUND CITY SHOWS Granite City, IIL, this week.

ROHR'S MODERN MIDWAY

NATIONAL SWEET CORN FESTIVAL, Hoopeston, III. 3 Big Days—4 Big Nights, August 31-September 1-2-3; FORD COUNTY FAIR, Melvin, III., September 5-6-7-8-9; ESSEX, ILL., HOMECOMING, September 13-14-15-16. Then the one to get your winter bank roll—RANTOUL (CHANUTE FIELD), ILL., September 17-18-19-20-21, and the Gigantic Buffalo Barbecue, CERRO GORDO, ILL., September 27-28-29.

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Mechanical, Monkey Show, or what have you?

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Valley City, North Dakota, Aug. 27 thru Sept. 1; Forman, North Dakota, Sept. 3 thru Sept. 5; Hutchinson, Minnesota, Sept. 8 thru Sept. 12; then one Kansas Fair and two Texas Fairs; then the poppa of them all—Eastern New Mexico State Fair, Roswell, New Mexico, Oct. 9 thru 13.

CONCESSIONS: Want Concessions of all kinds. Larry Woods and Owen Jones no longer connected with this show. Will book Bear Pitch, Class Pitch, Bird Pitch, Ball Games, Bottle Games, Long and Short Range Lead Galleries, Hanky Panks of all kinds. SHOWS: Want Fun House, Snake Show, Illusion, Mechanical, Class House, Water Show, RIDES: Can use Scrambler, Dark Ride, Spitfire, C-Cruise, Boat Ride, HELP: Want Ferris Wheel Foreman for Twin Wheels, \$80.00 plus bonus. (Sonny Ambler, come on.) Want Tilt Foreman, \$75.00 plus bonus. Can place General Ride Help on Octopus, Roll-o-Plane, Rock-o-Plane, Merry-Go-Round, Dodgem, Flying Scooter and 10 Kid Rides.











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Can place Tilt and Octopus Foremen. Also Second Men on all Rides, must drive. Can place Truck Mechanic with tools. Want Game of Skill Concessions for Palmyra and a long season south. Can place clean Shows.

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Coleman Marks 25% Hike at Altamont, N. Y

Bros. Shows entered the last day ing session to the weather. Rain of the Altamont Fair, Saturday marred the Tuesday (21) activity (25), with business a notable 25 but attendance was good and busiper cent ahead of the same period ness brisk, owner Dick Coleman a year ago. The increased earnings is shown in the probable fair attendance-100,000 this year as against slightly more than 70,000 last year.

tion thruout the still and fair date away of two bicycles daily in addiseason continues. To date the tion to 18 other prizes.



HENRIETTA, N. Y .--- Opening fair for the Viyona forces, Amusements of America, panned out well in Huntingdon, Pa., last week. Fair at this spot is followed by another at Morris, N. Y., next week.

Huntingdon, which closed Saturday (18), raised hopes for a good fair season. The fair was well attended and midway action ran late a couple of times, with all units racking up a good week. Show management credited cooperation from the fair board, headed by C. C. Johnson, for much of its success.

BIG SHOWS

ALTAMONT, N. Y .--- Coleman | show has not lost a complete workreported.

Tuesday and Friday were children's days. A third free session for- Saturday. Stimulating the The luck favoring the organiza- moppet interest was the fair's give-

per cent for the midway. At Afton an increase of 25 per cent was registered. Boonville was also reported ahead. All events are in New York. Two more remain, Ballston Spa and Fonda, before the show heads for New England events.



encountered during the last of the Clinton (Ia.) Street Fair. week, has slowed down activities at some previous stands and held Looper from Jimmy Byers, of over-all results in the fair-to-good Council Bluffs, Ia. class. Col. Bob Sickels, general agent and secretary, states that with bumper crops assured, the show's fairs should be good. Owned and managed by Frank High Winds W. Peppers, show has three major and two kiddie rides. No shows are carried. Among the concession operators are Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Dillon, Nellie Dakis, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Sanford, Ray Varnell, Billy Walls Jr., Gene Rihr, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Clancy, Mrs. Louise Peppers, C. L. King, Peter Dakis and Gregory Lewis Peppers. Sickels adds that fortunately the ride help situation, a major headache on many shows, has been stable this year with the Peppers org. In his opinion, an arrangement should be worked out whereby the several ride manufacturers would train capable and reliable men at their plants for maintainemployee from his increased earnings after placement.



WEST UNION, Ia .--- By the for the youngsters was scheduled time Don Franklin Shows closed at the Fayette County Fair here Friday (24), its rides, shows and concessions had been in operation on 18 out of the past 21 days. Dur-The show has had a remarkable ing that three-week period the record at fairs to date. Business Franklin organization played five at Norwich was up more than 50 fairs with an open day between only two of them.

> A day was available for moving from the Faribault, Minn., annual, which closed August 5, to Austin, Minn. Starting there, however, it was circus jumps. Show closed August 12 at Austin, opened at Blue Earth, Minn., the next day; closed at Blue Earth August 15 and opened at New Ulm, Minn., August 16. An open day, August 20, was provided for the move here.

Business-wise the rides and shows have been consistently ahead of last year at fairs, Owner Don Franklin reported. Grosses have been from 16 to 22 per cent ahead of '55, he said.

Altho keeping up a busy pace, Franklin still had time to recontract all fairs played thus far for next FOLKSTON, Ga. -- Peppers year. Included are annuals at Fari-Amusement Company reports im- bault, Austin, New Ulm and proved business the past few weeks Stoughton, Wis. Also again signed due to favorable tobacco market for '55 are the Soldiers' and Sailconditions. Poor weather, usually ors' Reunion at Salem, Ill., and the

Franklin recently purchased a



One 12-Car Ridee-O, Four Kiddie Rides, Wheel, Autos, Planes and Merry-Go-Round. See me at Detroit State Fair or address

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Box 257, Coldwater, Michigan

FOR SALE-

Consisting of 32-ft. Parker Merry-Go-Round, Eli Wheel, Short-Arm Octopus, two Kiddia Rides and Chairplane; also Transformers, plenty of new Cable and Junction Boxes, Office Trailer, Trucks and Trailers to haul everything. Everything in excellent condition. This is not junk but high-class equipment. A route for next season that should easily pay for equipment. If you have \$1,100.00 cash, get in touch and you will buy-selling this piecemeal will make anyone money. Show is playing established territory within 400 miles of St. Louis.

BOX D-236 c/e The Billboard, Cincinnati 22, Q.

WANTED GIRL SHOW

Because of misunderstanding want first-class Girl Show to join at once for Army pay day, Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. Will show Aug. 28 thru Labor Day, which includes 4 days following pay day. Mr. Woods, contact immediately. Phone

H. V. PETERSEN, Mgr. TIVOLI EXPOSITION SHOWS c/o Mayor Lynch, St. Roberts, Mo.

Sept. 20-23; Watsonville; Fresne District Fair, Oct. 5-14, Fresno.

Roy Shepard, ride superintendent, can use capable Ride Help and Ticket Sellers.

Now Booking Shows and Concessions for the

Following Fall Fairs:

Kings County Fair, Sept. 13-16, Hanford; Lodi Grape Festival, National Wine Fair, Sept. 13-16, Lodi; Tulare County Fair, Sept. 18-23, Tulare; Santa Cruz County Fair,

> CRAFTS 20 BIG SHOWS 7283 Bellaire Avenue, North Hollywood, California. Phone: Poplar 50909 or Poplar 50320

Bob Hammond Shows ALL FAIRS-LAST CALL

Exclusives open for good Cookhouse, Grab, Photos and Novelties. Harry Lamon needs Agents for Buckets and Six Cats, E. J. McDaniels needs Help for Slum Stores and Pitches,

Ne executives or would-be managers wanted, just good, reliable Help interested in good treatment and plenty of money spots. If you are out to tour-detour. Address: Vernon, Tex., now: then Cleburne, Seguin, Temple, Crockett, Center, Bryan, Hempstead, Pasadena; all Texas Fairs. Then the big one-Houston Shrine Circus.

TIVOLI EXPOSITION SHOWS WANT FOR SOUTHERN TOUR OF FAIRS, INCLUDING FOUR IN LOUISIANA, BASTROP, LEESVILLE, EUNICE, WINNSBORO.

CONCESSIONS: Want Hanky Panks of all kinds. Want first-class Cookhouse to join at once.

SHOWS: Side Shows that have something to offer.

RIDES: Ride Owners who have already contracted to bring rides, please advise dates you are joining.

RIDE HELP: Can place good Ride Men who have chauffeur's license. Phone H. V. Petersen, c/o Mayor Lynch, St. Roberts, Mo.

Right next to Fort Leonard Wood, or write to show at Waynesville, Mo.; Pocahontas, Ark., Fair to follow.

WANT FOR MANNING, S. C., AGRICULTURAL FAIR, WHITE, SEPT. 17-22; ALSO PEMBROKE, N. C., FAIR, OCT. 8-13

Shows and Rides, 25% of gross. Want Concessions of all kinds. Very reasonable rate or will consider complete Carnival. Can fill in with Rides. Can use good Ride Help. Want Ferris Wheel Foreman. Also fill dates from Sept. 24-29 and October 1-6.

HARRY HELLER

Phone: Lynchburg 2-9701 or wire Bonnie's Lake, Lynchburg, Va. P.S.: For Sale-8 Rides. Allan Herschell Merry-Go-Round, Eli Wheel No. 5, late model Mangels Whip, Smith & Smith 22-Ft. Chairplane, Caterpillar, 75 Kw. Light Plant and four up-to-date Kiddle Rides. Can be seen in operation at park.

WANTED

NEW LONDON, OHIO, SEPT. 1, 2 AND 3, ANNUAL LABOR DAY CELEBRATION, CONCESSIONS AND SHOWS

CONCESSIONS: Cigaratte Block, Waffles, French Fries, Apples, Novelties, Age and Weight, Jewelry Sales, Photos, Glass Pitch, Long Range, Short Range, High Striker and Hanky Panks.

> NOLAN AMUSEMENT CO. TERRYSVILLE, OHIO

Hit Burkhart

COLUMBUS JUNCTION, Ia. -Burkhart Shows trucked here last week from Mendon, Ill., where a windstorm struck the lot on teardown night and demolished two concession stands. Lost in the blow were the popcorn joint owned by Don McMahon and a fish pond operated by Dean Strahl.

Ride men were shook up when lightning struck a nearby radar tower but they continued to dismantle the rides.

After closing at Mendon, rides and straight sales went to Aurora, ance work and make them avail- Ill., while others trekked to Roseable to ride operators. Cost of dale, Ill., and some came on here training could be repaid by the to Columbus Junction. Recent visitors were Verna Burkhart and her father.

RIDE HELP WANTED Can place immediately Foremen for Wheel, Roll-o-Plane, Octopus and

2d Men who drive semis on all other Rides. Good salary plus bonus. Our season ends Nov. 15. All mail and wires to Lloyd D. Serfass, Penn Premier Shows, Mechanicsburg, Pa., this week; next week Staunton, Virginia, Fair. Phone: Ask for

Penn Premier Shows MECHANICSBURG, PA.

KIRK DECKER WANTS For payday, Fort Campbell, nine days, Aug. 30 to Sept. 5, tiny town lot, [ct. Routes 41 and 79. This is it! Can place Skillo, Count and Pin Store Agents; also Six Cat and Bucket Work-ers, P.C. Dealers. Ball Game Queen. All address: KIRK DECKER, Griggs Bros.' Shows, phone Guthrie, Ky., ex-change, ivanhoe 3-9935. P.S.: Place two Girls for Girl Show. P.S.: Place two Girls for Girl Show. Salary, tips and bonus.

WANT

For Postville, Iowa, Aug. 31 thru Sept. 3. Hanky Panks of all kinds. Sideshows, Girl Show, Athletic Show, or what have you? Can use Ride Men in all departments.

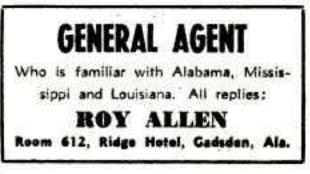
ROCK CITY SHOWS GEO. ISENHOWER, Mgr.

LEO BISTANY WANTS GIRLS

Want 1 or 2 more Girls with wardrobe or will furnish; or can use Man and Wife. Long season, Florida all winter. (Jack Stevenson; I haven't forgotten you.) Wire: c/e BUFF HOTTLE SHOWS Paducah, Ky.

WANTED

Colored Musicians and Performers for "Diamond Tooth" Billy Arnte's Rock and Roll Minstrels. Ten Fairs in South Care-lina. Opening in Mullins, S. C., Sep-tember 10-15 with KEN-PENN SHOWS. Molly Johnson, Dusty and Geeshe, Shaky Wilson, Sax. Address all mail to Billy Arnte, Mgr., Minstrel Show, 1819 Grees St., Columbia, South Carolina.



Hamburg Good for Strates; Hasson Named Ass't. Mgr.

Strates Shows on a par with last ard skin girl. year despite the total loss to rain

of Thursday (23). Owner Strates said on Friday (24) that the grosses at that point were about even with the same period a year ago.

Announcement was made here of the appointment of Bob Hasson as assistant manager. Hasson, who managed the Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus Side Show last season and this season until the premature closing of the Big Show, has served for many years with major carnival and circus units, including Cole Bros. and shape and at full strength for the A. G. Barnes circuses and the big event at Syracuse. Several Royal American Shows.

remained in Sarasota for two weeks opening for final sprucing up.

HAMBURG, N. Y. -- Added placing his people. He brought days at the Hamburg Fair helped here Ella Mills, fat girl; Gilbert hold the gross of the James E. Richards, giant, and Sadie, leop-

Added Days Help

The two added days, Saturday and Sunday (18-19) aided the show altho midway activities on Sunday did not get under way until 5 p.m.

All units got money here, with Nate Eagles' Midget Revue doing especially well. Strates said that he would add Dancing Waters to the show line-up at the New York State Fair.

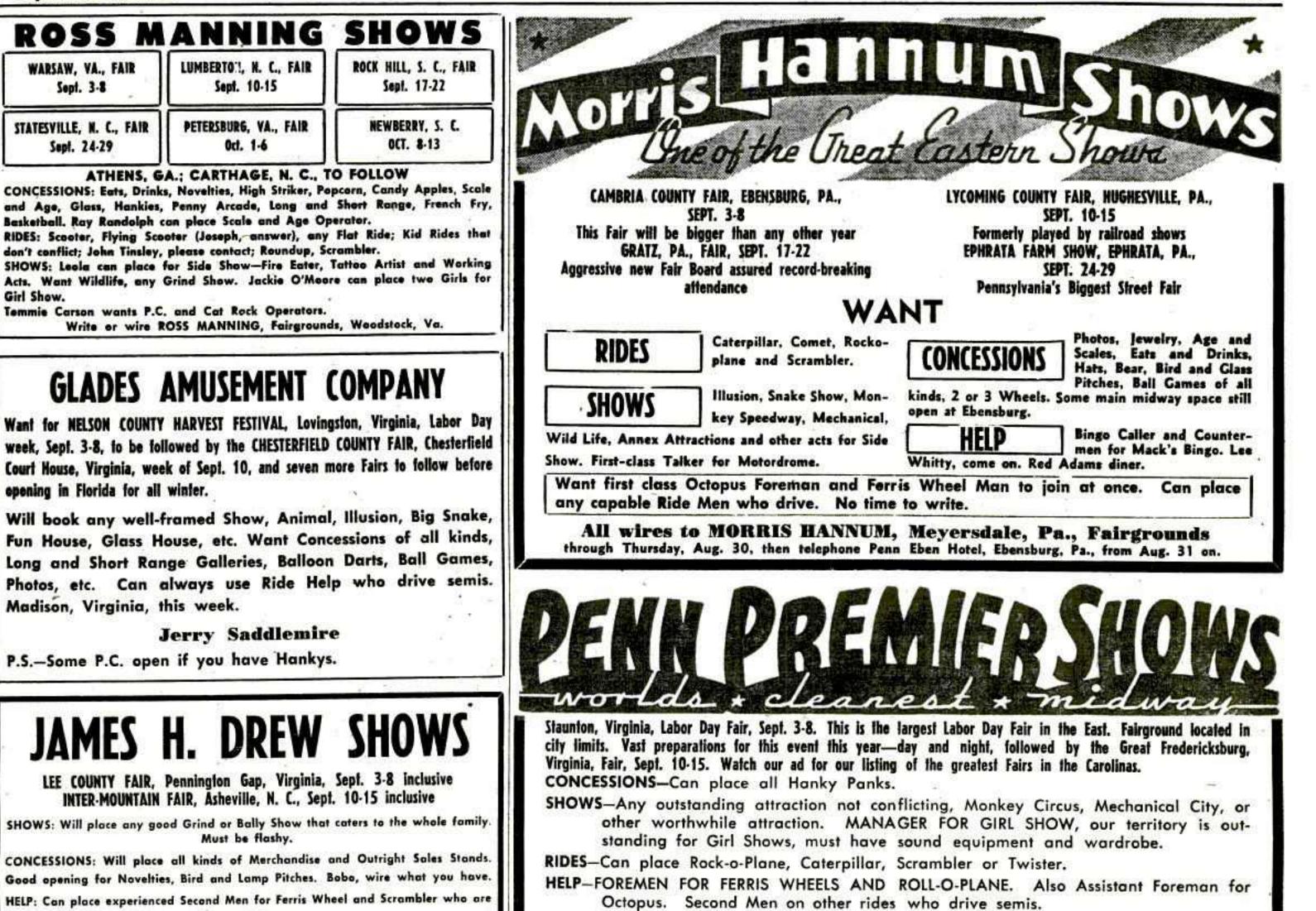
Show equipment is in excellent days will be available between the After the circus closing he closing here and the Syracuse



Girl Show.

THE BILLBOARD

CARNIVALS 71



licensed drivers.

Address all mail and wires to

All replies via Western Union, Clintwood, Virginia, all this week.

BEAM'S ATTRACTIONS

GOOCHLAND-POWHATAN-LOUISA 3 CO. FAIR Our advance sale of tickets assures crowds for this enlarged Fair.

GOOCHLAND, VA., NEXT WEEK, SEPT. 3-8

BOOK legitimate Concessions of all kinds, also BINGO. Can use additional Shows for this Fair and for balance of season.

RIDE HELP: FLY-O-PLANE Foreman, experienced CAT Men, also Second Men for MERRY, WHEEL, FLY-O-PLANE. Need Griddle Man and Waiters for Cookhouse. Any capable Carnival Workers can be placed. PAT wants Concession Agents, All replies to

STEVE DECKER, BRUNSWICK, MARYLAND

FOR SALE—REAL BARGAIN

One three abreast Merry-Go-Round, one number 5 Ferris Wheel, one Smith & Smith Chairplane, one Allan Herschell Roller Coaster, ten Concessions. Trailers, size 16 feet wide, 8 feet deep, 50 kw. AC Diesel Light Plant. Everything priced to sell. Lots of other equipment. Can be seen in operation until September 3.

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124 Cedar Ave., Patchogue, N. Y.

Phone: Grover 50315

WANTED IMMEDIATELY

To Join at Du Quoin State Fair Side Show Manager with own People and Acts. We have our own equipment already in the air. 150-foot banner line. Come in or call.

THOMAS D. HICKEY DON GRECO Fairgrounds, Du Quoin, Ill.

Phone: 2-3317, Du Quoin, Ill. GEM CITY SHOWS

GEORGE CLYDE SMITH SHOWS AMERICAN LEGION FAIR, SEPT. 3-8, ROCKY MOUNT, VIRGINIA

WANTED: Ball Games, Hoop-La, Glass Pitch, Swinger, 6-Cats, Pitch Till You Win, Photos, Bear Pitch, High Striker, Custard, Basket Ball, Darts and Penny Arcade. WANTED: Tilt, Octopus, Pony Ride, Whip, Flying Scooter, Wheel Foreman, Want general Ride Help, Truck and Tractor Drivers. WANT Agents for office Hanky Panks. WANTED: Side Show, Monkey Show, Girl Show and Wildlife.

All replies GEORGE CLYDE SMITH SHOWS Keysville, Va., this week; Rocky Mount, Va., next week.

LLOYD D. SERFASS, Gen. Mgr., or HARRY (BUSTER) WESTBROOK, Bus. Mgr. Phone calls: Ask for Penn Premier Shows. Mechanicsburg, Penna., this week.



Now beginning their Southern route of Fairs in Huntingdon, Jenn., this week. DYER COUNTY FAIR, Dyersburg, Tenn., following, then all Alabama County Fairs starting with Athens, Decatur, Cullman, Scottsboro, Anniston and, last but not least, Dothan, Ala., NATIONAL PEANUT FESTIVAL AND FAIR COMBINED.

Can place an outstanding Free Act for first and second week of October. Quote all particulars in first correspondence, Want major Rides not conflicting for Dothan. CONCESSIONS WANTED: Photo, Long Range, Novelties, Candy, Floss, Bumper, Coke Bottle, African Dip and Arcade, SHOWS: Any good, clean Grind Show, Monkey, Snake, Illusion, HELP: Second Men for Wheel and Tilt. Drunks not tolerated.

All replies John Portemont, Johnny's United Shows, Huntingdon, Tenn.

FOR SALE

#5 Eli Wheel, A#1 shape, \$3000.00; with 1951 Chevy Tractor, new motor and 28 ft. Trailmobile Van, good rubber, all for \$4000.00. 40 ft. 2-abreast Herschell-Spillman Merry-Go-Round with 105 band organ, new Anchor top, \$3000.00; with 32 ft, Gramm Van, good tires, 1953 Chevy Tractor, new motor, all for \$4000.00, King Kiddie Train, no trans-portation, \$500.00. Can be hauled on luggage trailer, 30 kw. Light Plant mounted on 18 ft, trailer, junction boxes, wire, etc., all for \$1500.00, 28 ft Cookwire, etc., all for \$1500.00. 28 ft. Cook-house Trailer, pulled with 1950 Inter-national Panel, complete, \$1600.00. All can be seen at Lodi, Ohio, August 27-September 1 or as per route.

A. R. BRIGGS SHOWS

WANT CONCESSIONS

for

BIG LABOR DAY CELEBRATION

Cloquet, Minn., September 1-2-3

TIP TOP

P. O. Box 103

SCHAFER'S JUST FOR FUN SHOWS

WANT FOR BIG LABOR DAY CELEBRATION, ON THE STREETS-KEOKUK, IOWA

RIDE HELP: Can use First and Second Men in all departments. Top salaries. SHOWS: Can place one Ding Show and any other worth-while Shows not conflicting. CONCESSIONS: Want Cookhouse and Grab for balance of season. Can place Hanky Panks of all kinds, Novelties, Ball Games, Pitches, Custard and others not conflicting. OUT UNTIL NOVEMBER. CONTACT

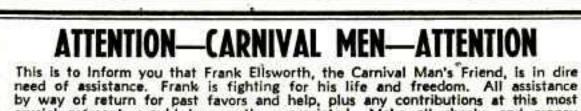
CHUCK MOSS **Concession** Mgr. Mark Twain Hotel, Hannibal, Mo., 27-Sept. 1; Iowa Hotel, Keokuk, Ia., Sept. 3-8.

W. A. SCHAFER **General Manager** Hannibal, Mo., Aug. 27-Sept. 1; Keokuk, Ia., Sept. 3-8.

CENTENNIAL

Hazleton, Indiana, Sept. 6-7-8-9. Bands-Parades-Floats. Sponsored by the Business Men. Vincennes, Princeton, Petersburg participating in the Parades. Concessions all open except Bingo, Eats and Sno Ball. Come on in. \$30.00 pays all. Have room for several shows, 25%. Concessions open at the 75th Old Settiers, Goldsmith, Indiana, Aug. 28 to Sept. 1; Paragon, Ind., Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 3. No racket or gimmick outfilts; save your money.

CLIFF THOMAS AMUSEMENTS



by way of return for past favors and help, plus any contributions at this most crucial moment, would be greatly appreciated. Make all checks and money orders payable to the Frank Ellsworth Defense Fund. Mail to "NIGHT LIFE IN CHICAGO," 616 Rush St., Chicago 11, III.



SHOWS

Waupaca, Wis.

CARNIVAL-GENERAL OUTDOOR

THE BILLBOARD

SHOP-O-RAMA SHOWS

Want Concessions and Shows of kinds. DOWNTOWN, ON THE STREETS, 2 SPOTS A WEEK, DAY AND NICHT PLAY. REASONABLE PRIVILEGE.

Laverne, Okla., now; Canton, Okla., Labor Day, Sept. 3-5. Out until Xmas in the Cotton. WIRE, CALL:

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Per route: Shop-O-Rame Free Circus. P.S.: Walker Osborne, Slim Cantroll, contact.

WANTED

Ferris Wheel, Caterpillar and any Flat Ride Foreman. Salary \$75.00 and 2 per cent, Funhouse Operator and Truck Mechanic. All winter's work.

> LAWRENCE AMUSEMENT CO. GADSDEN, ALA,



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Attention, Carnival Managers At liberty now and all winter, 75 K.V.A. GM Diesel Light Plant with cable and junction boxes. Contact by wire or letter. J. A. MILLIKEN St. George, S. C.

Record Elmira Run, Good Malone Start Bolster Buck

Shows.

At Elmira the fair management reported records set in virtually every department, with the over-all gain listed at 20 per cent. Of particular benefit to the midway operation were the three kiddle days, held on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. These were described as the biggest ever at the fair.

Grandstand attractions were fair season. credited by both show and fair officials for the hefty attendance and interest. In addition to a free gate on their days, moppets were lured by the grandstand appearances of Superman and Lassie, the wonder dog. The Mariners, backed

by the principal CAC Hamid revue, helped swell attendance at night. Rain hurt the action on closing Saturday but by then the date had already been chalked up as a winner.

Good Canadian Draw The move here was made in

CLUB ACTIVITIES

Showmen's League of America

Ladies' Auxiliary

The membership was saddened by the recent deaths of two pastpresidents, Ann Doolan and Blanche Latto. Many members attended the funerals.

MALONE, N. Y. --- A record- good time, with much of the equipbreaking run at the Chemung ment in the air on Sunday night County Fair, Elmira, N. Y., was and all units complete by Monday followed by an equally strong be- noon. Many Canadians attended ginning starting Monday (20) at the opening, with Gene Holter's the Malone Fair for the O. C. Buck Animals the afternoon and night grandstand attraction.

> Tuesday (21) was reported a record-breaking kid's day at the event. A second day for the youngsters was scheduled for Friday (24) and similar results were anticipated. With the Gouveneur (N. Y.) Fair, which preceded Elmira, also reported good, the Buck organization has had an excellent start on its

The show is reported carrying 18 rides and 10 shows, with new features including a Spinaroo and dark ride.



CASPER, Wyo .-- Alth: dogged by wind, rain and low temperatures, the Central Wyoming Fair wound up its five-day run here Saturday (18) with a 5 per cent increase at the front gate.

A grandstand variety show, substituted for the originally scheduled Spike Jones Revue, was well received and played to good turnouts. The show, Sons of Pioneers, Ann Bleden is back from a Johnny (Crazy Otto) Maddox,



World's Finest: Quebec City, Que., 31-Sept World of Pleasure: (Fair) Alpena, Mich. (Fair) Jamestown, Tenn., 3-8. Young, Monty: Payson, Utah, 28-Sept. 3.

Bob Hassan Joins Strates As Ass't Mgr.

BUFFALO--Bob Hassan, Side Show manager with the Ringling-Barnum circus the last two years, has joined the James E. Strates Shows as assistant manager. Hasson has been with the Cole Bros., Al G. Barnes and other circuses.

He started in the big-top profession with the Ringling-Barnum Humboldt County Fair, which

Profits From Innovations

EAST BLACKSTONE, Mass. --- A new 40-acre layout was broken in by the East Blackstone Fair, which had its best run in memory, Friday thru Sunday (17-19). An attendance booster was the introduction of an evening stage offering.

Al Martin of Boston booked in a revue - type presentation offered free to patrons. Included were 10 acts, including an eight-girl line and Johnny Welde's performing

The new spot, at the junction of Routes 122, 126 and 16, affords greatly increased parking facilities which were sorely needed. Lagasse Amusement Company's unit, managed by Bucko Honan, fielded seven rides and increased concession space. Good business was reported.

Wide attention was garnered thru The Woonsocket Call's special Merchants' Fair Week section, and the paper is planning to repeat in 1957. Leo F. Doherty, State director of fairs, was on hand Saturday (18) to present his department's special award to the fair's outstanding exhibitor. Fair. secretary is Jesse E. Deacon.

Ferndale, Calif., Gets Record Gate; Mutuels Hit 495G

FERNDALE, Calif.---The 1956 Northern vacation, and Louise Candy Candido, Miriam Sage show in 1937 with Clyde Ingalls, wound up its nine-day run here Dancers, Howard and Wanda Bell, Side Show manager at that time. Saturday (18), turned out to be the A new attendance record was After the sudden closing of the set, the pari-mutuels soared near Last year the total paid attendance was 35,993. For this run the event started out strong and thru Wednesday (15), the sixth SAN ANTONIO -- Municipal day, had recorded a paid attendwhich was a healthy increase of 6.380 over 1955. Pari-mutuel handle was \$495,514.

CONCESSIONS WANTED

Mineral Point, Wis., Aug. 31-Sept. 3; Lancaster, Wis., Sept. 6 thru 7. Best County Fairs this section of Wisconsin. Tiptenville and Savannah, Tenn., follow. Clean Shows wanted. Ride Men who drive semi. Concession Agents, contact Jim White. Others **Dyer's Greater Shows**

MEL SMITH Please phone me immediately. GEORGE STROUBE

Lewisburg, W. Va.

WANTED

Agents for well-flashed Six-Cat, Buckets and Hanky Panks. Work for stock only. Out till middle of November. Wire or come on. Vandalia, Mo., Aus. 27-Sept. 1; fellowed by one Missouri, two Arkansas and five Louisiana Fairs. L. A. BOLENBARKER

HUTCHENS MODERN MUSEUM

Want to join at once: Side Show Attraction, Sword Swallower, Knife Act or any tion, Sword Swallower, Khile Act of any good Attraction. Girl for Bally Lecture who can sell Show. Also want Annex Attraction (Birdy LaPage, wire and come on). Address: J. T. HUTCHENS, c/o Sunset Amusement Co. Belleville, Kan., this week; then per route. (No P.S.: Also want Ticket Sellers. drunks.) Joe Louis, contact immediately.

Warning from a Southern jaunt. Letters received from Edith Streibich, Walter F. Driver, Etta Henderson, Sophia Carlos and Rose Nugent.

Frieda Rosen and Phoebe Carsky, chairmen of the summer fund drive, report good returns. Awards will be a portable television set and a basket of Florida fruit. Pro-

ceeds will be sent the Cancer Fund and all money is to be sent Phoebe Carsky, 426 West Belmont Avenue, Apartment 403, Chicago.

Ann Belden, chairman of the bazaar, reports good headway. She is being assisted by Dorothy Kennedy.

Open house and installation dinner will be held during the outdoor convention. First meeting of the fall will be held the first Thursday in October.

SEASON AT ROCHESTER Ida Chase plans a California trip. Mae Taylor spent a recent weekend at their Burlington, Wis., summer home. Viola Parker and Mae Smith are recuperating at start for the new Rochester Comhome after being released from hospitals. Ethel Wadoz was a recent Chicago visitor. Capades" Tuesday, September 4.

Elsie Miller, secretary, is han-dling correspondence at 3852 West Irving Park Road, Chicago 18.

JACK ROYAL AMUSEMENTS

Want for South Carolina and Georgia Tobacco Markets and Fairs. Matter, Ga., 27-Sept. 1; Claxton, Ga., Sept. 3-8; Vidalia, Ga., Sept. 10-15; Middle Georgia Fair, Milledgeville, Ga., Sept. 17-22; Lincoln County American Legion Fair, Lincolnton, Ga., Sept. 24-29; Allendale, S. C., Oct. 1-6; Orangeburg County Colored Fair, Orangeburg, S. C., Oct. 8-13; with more to follow until Nov. 10, then Florida for the winter.

CONCESSIONS: Hanky Panks of all kinds except Fish Ponds, Jewelry, Scale and Age, Bear Pitch, Break the Record, Cotton Candy, Custard. Want Girl Show with two or more girls, with or without equipment; also Animal, Snake or any Family-Type Show. Want to book Octopus, Rolloplane, Tilt or any Ride not conflicting. Want A-#1 Wheel Man who can up and down, also drive semi. Splinter Royal wants Agents for Count, Peek and Buckets. Jay Williams, get in touch. What happened, Buddy?

All replies to Jack Royal, Metter, Ga., this week

SILK CITY COMBINED SHOWS

WANTED FOR WILSON, N. C., COLORED FAIR, AUG. 27 TO SEPT. 3. Want at Once: Bingo, French Fries, Six Cat, Buckets, Custard and any Hanky Panks, Shows: Side Show, Snake, Monkey and any Grind Show, Rides: Octopus, Coaster, Tilt and any Flat Rides. Help: Foremen and Second Men on all Rides that drive semis. All replies to

> A. Longo or Ted Lewis LEAKSVILLE-SPRAY, N. C., THIS WEEK.

Phil Maraquin, Cillette and Richards and the Buddy Moreno ork.

The rodeo, augmented by Gail and midway grosses of Brodbeck & Schrader, were also off.

matinee thrill show and a Sunday new season. Windows, woodwork, small grandstand.

stead of its traditional Pittsburgh

date prior to opening in Madison

Square Garden, because the old

Pittsburgh Arena has been torn

Harold S. Rand, director of the

Rochester Auditorium, announces

that from September 4 thru next

May 15 the building is booked al-

most solid. In addition to the "Ice

Capades," Shipstads and Johnson's

"Ice Follies" will play here March

The Rochester Royals of the Na-

tional Basketball Association open

their season October 27, while the

down.

18-24.

October 14.

ICE CAPADES OPENS

He has held staff positions in both greatest ever.

the carnival and circus field. (Annie Oakley) Davis and the Cass big show, Hassan remained in the half-million-dollar mark, and County Boys, was hurt by rain and Sarasota for two weeks to get his the grandstand was filled to overwind but turnouts were nonetheless people placed for the remainder flowing for a rock and roll show. good for the three nights. The of the season. He brought Ella Sam Howard water show, on the Mills, fat girl, and Sadie, leopard midway, was hurt by the weather, girl, to the Strates show with him.

Canadian Daredevils arrived too Auditorium here, managed by Sol ance of 29,481. The wind-up late to make its scheduled Saturday Wolf, is being refurbished for the showed a total paid of 42,373, substitute program played to a entrances and other parts are being refinished.

Victorville, Calif., **Appoints Mette**

VICTORVILLE, Calif. --- John Mette has been contracted to handle the publicity for the San Bernardino County Fair, which opens here for five days starting October Royal Danish Ballet, the Black 3, Oren Robertson, secretary-manager, announced last week.

Mette will be assisted by Bob W. Norton, of Petaluma, who recently concluded his second year as publicist for the Mother Lode Fair in Sonora. They plan to start the local campaign August 25.

Mette is well known in fair publicity circles, having worked at the Calaveras County Fair and Jumping Frog Jubilee and the Plumas County Fair in Quincy for several years.

WANTED RIDES AND CONCESSIONS OR CARNIVAL For Sept. 22, 23 through Oct. 13, 14. Established business opportunity for anyone interested. **Contact: Bowler Hatchery** Bowler, Wis. Phone: 184 FOR SALE

Concession Trailer, 14'x6' wide. Good wheels and rubber tires. Comes complete with doughnut maker, refrigerator, stove and 3 flavor soda dispenser plus other equipment, Original cost \$2600.00. Write for price. NORMAN

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newly formed Rochester Americans of the American Hockey League open Rochester's first professional hockey schedule in many years

Sullivan Show Booked

ROCHESTER, N. Y. -- A full will present a number in the new 1956-'57 schedule of events will War Memorial. These include the munity War Memor'al with the Hills Passion Play, the Carbinerri opening of the John H. Harris "Ice Band of Italy and the Metropolitan Opera. An Ed Sullivan live tele-The show will play Rochester incast is scheduled for October 21.

> The large Exhibit Hall of the b ilding will play to more events than the previous year. Shows will include the Rochester Jome Show, the Rochester Automobile Show, Rochester Sports & Boat Show, the Western New York Food Show and the Design for Living Show. The last is a unique feature of the National Leukemia Fund, which is presenting this home decorating show to sponsor medical research. Several State conventions will be held in the War Memorial and the National Grange will meet in the building in mid-November.

The Rochester building opened, while not yet fully completed, October 16, 1955, and attracted nearly one million people during the last event year. The building is still in the process of final com-The Rochester Civic Music As- pletion but construction is limited sociation, which had always played to the building site rather than the its attractions in Eastman Theater, functional parts of the building.





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Danal Supply, 1228 Vine Street, Cincinnati, is now one of the outstanding sources of supply to the trade in Cincinnati. Operated from three locations, the firm specializes in merchandise for house-to-house men, premium buyers, wagon jobbers and carnival men. Two of their fastest-moving items for which there has been unusually wide demand is the electric skillet with Westinghouse thermostat, which they offer at \$7.50 each in lots of six, and the Westinghouseequipped cooker-fryer, which is offered at \$6.75 each in lots of six. Both items are pre-ticketed at age and gives an instant flame that

Metal Bird Cages, complete with wold, Detroit. Their Style No. 200

A. & A. Novelty Company, Cincinnati 36, which has been supplying the market with pennants and banners, has just come out with its new plastic spinners, which they guarantee as unbreakable. Ten 17inch spinners on a 40-foot flexible steel cable may be had at only \$6.50 each. The price drops to \$6 each in dozen lots f.o.b. Cincinnati. If you can use more, write for quantity prices and you will receive a prompt answer. A 25 per cent deposit is required on all c.o.d.'s, but the firm will refund your money if you are not satisfied.

The G. & S Manufacturing Company, Dept. B, Nashville, which has been supplying the trade with toy pistols and rifles that really shoot, has just brought out its fully automatic Big Chief Little Injun Scout Cook Stove. The item is small enough to fit in one's pocket and cooks for an hour on one filling. It is only four inches tall and three and one-quarter inches in diameter and comes packed in an attractive, easy-to-store packlasts an hour on one filling of kerosene or ordinary gasoline. No pumping is required nor is priming necessary. An accessory kit and instruction sheet are included with the laboratory tested and approved product. Cost to the trade is \$21.60 per dozen. The item re-Operators who use low-priced tails at \$2.95. Minimum order or ladies' nylons should contact All- shipment is one-half dozen. Master



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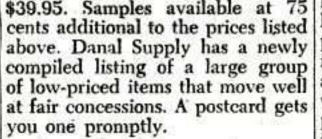
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PIPES FOR PITCHMEN By BILL BAKER

IRENE ROTH . . .

for many years one of the leading tourist season but I sure as hell pitchwomen and known thruout will be back here in the spring." pitchdom, is seriously ill in St. Louis City Hospital. According to her physicians, she will be confined there for another five or six weeks. She woud like to hear from her many friends in the business. While she is a regular reader of the Pipes column, she, nevertheless, would like to hear directly from her host of personal friends.

A COUPLE WEEKS AGO . . . we mentioned here that we had

reason to believe that Johnny Regan, the gent who can do more tricks with an engraver's awl than a monkey can do with a basketful of cocoanuts, was operating in the region of Chattanooga, Tenn. We Hospital." had him spotted right on the nose because we've just received a dispatch from him in which he says: Just finished three good months in Florida before coming here to Chat- field and is now heading for his tanooga. This is one of the best next port of call, the Ohio State velvet spots that I've played in Fair, Columbus. Joe reports that years-right in the souvenir heart the pitch fraternity was well repof Lookout Mountain (Rock City). resented at the Springfield shindig. The gate is two bucks a copy and, Among those present were Mr. believe it or not, I have to pass up Vale, Frankie Lazar, Bright Eyes, some loot, as fast as I am. It's little Sagebrush Slim and many others. wonder, however, because during just one day that I was there, I counted 171 Indiana plates registered. Since we are above the clouds most of the time, it makes for terrific sleeping at night. I would like to hear from some of my old friends and have them look me up anytime any of them are in the vicinity of Chattanooga. I plan

on making Florida during the

JOHN STROUD'S . . .

friends will be glad to read the following report he has just filed from Boston: "I would like for all my friends to know that I have finished my Boston operation and, except for the recuperation part, all is coming along well. I would like to contact each of you personally who sent me get-well cards. However, I was unable to do that since you are moving around all of the time. Looks like I'll be able to be a-goin' and a-blowin' from here on out. I will have a recuperation period for about three or four weeks before I leave the Peter Bent Brigham

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pens that he has just finished working the Illinois State Fair at Spring-





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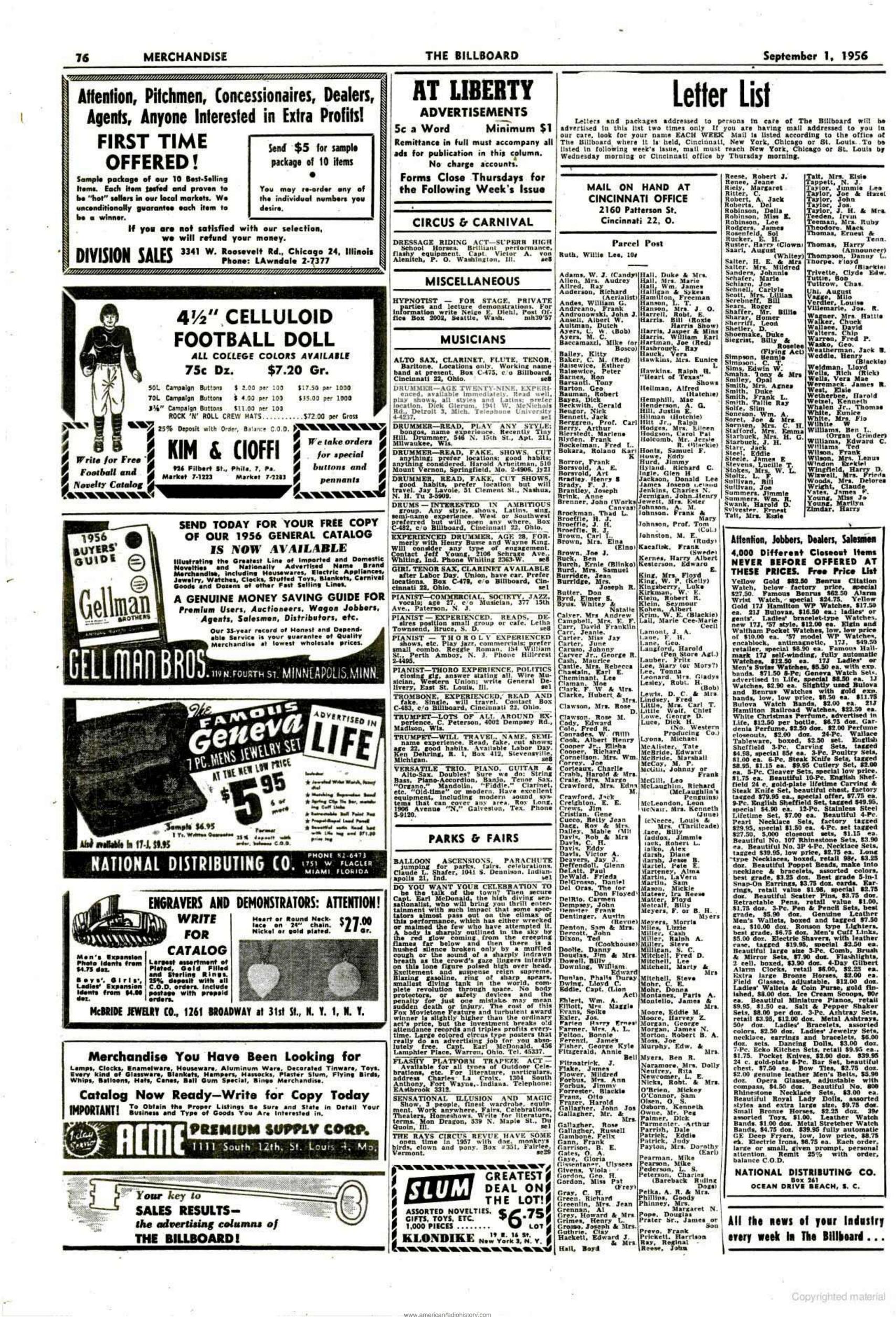


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| MAIL ON HAND AT CHICAGO OFFICE 188 W. Randolph St. Chicago 1, III. | Camden-Quachite Co. Livestock Show, Sept. 10-15. M. C. Reynolds. DeQueen-Servier Co. Livestock Show, Sept. 10-12. Victor Ivy. DeWitt-Ark. Co. Livestock Show, Oct. 10- 13. Harold Kendall. El Dorado-Union Co. Livestock & Poultry Show, Sept. 24-29. G. O. Dunn. | New Bedford-National Home Show, Sept. 11-16. Dorothy H. Godfrey. Worcester-National Home Show, Sept. 2- 9. Arthur Gilbert. Michigan | 3 per cent in De Funiak Springs. The tax-riddled situation in Pennsylvania has levies varying from 1 per cent to 10 per cent in | cutting measure) will lead to in- creasing pressure for such local excises by municipal and other taxing authorities faced with |
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Labor Union. Ocala-Jr. Livestock & Poultry Show, Oct. 15-16. Louis Gilbreath. Georgia Gainesville-VFW Celebration, Oct. 1-6. Dr. F. D. McCoy. Illinois Ashburn-Centennial and Labor Day Celebration, Sept. 1-3. Forreston-Sauerkraut Day, Sept. 13. Le-Carl Roy M. Grande, American Legion. Peoria-National Home Show, Oct. 3-7. E. J. Smith, Strasburg-Homecoming and Street Celebration, Sept. 5-8. L. R. Hamm.

Streator-Labor Day Celebration, Sept. 1-3. Fred J. Saluatti, 1110 East Elm St. Windsor-Centennial, Aug. 27-Sept. 1. Zeigler-Tri-County Labor Day Celebration, Sept. 3-8.

Indiana

Ellettsville-Monroe Co. Festival, Sept. 13-15. Lagrange-Lagrange Co. Corn School, Sept 12-15. Walter Emmert,

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Red Oak-Firemen's Convention, Sept. 17-19. Sibley-Osceola Co. Livestock Show, Aug. 29-31. Gene Alexander.

Waterloo-Dairy Cattle Congress, Sept. 29-Oct. 6. E. S. Estel.

Kansas

Baxter Springs-Celebration, Sept. 13-15. Chapman-Labor Day Celebration, Sept. 3. Wichita-Sedgwick Co.-Kan. Nat'l Jr. Livestock Show, Oct. 3-5. Conlee Smith.

Louisiana

Crowley-Intl Rice Festival, Oct. 17-18. A. L. Stoessell. Lake Charles-Home Show, Sept. 4-9. Lloyd

A. Goodin. Marksville-La. Livestock Festival, Oct.

5-7. Kermit Ducote. Morgan City-Shrimp Festival & Blessing

of the Fleet, Sept. 1-3. Mrs. Richard L. Davis.

Show, Aug. 25-Sept. 9. North Carolina Raleigh-National Home Show, Sept. 2-9 E. J. Smith.

York-National Home Furnishings

Ohio

Laurelville-Street Fair, Sept. 17-22. Millersport-Sweet Corn Festival, Aug. 30. Nelsonville-Street Fair, Aug. 27-Sept. 1. New London-Labor Day Celebration, Sept. 1-3. Seaman-Street Fair, Sept. 19-22. St. Paris-Fall Festival, Sept. 22.

Urichsville-Clay Week Celebration, Aug 27-Sept. 1. Utica-Homecoming, Oct. 6.

Oregon Portland-Pacific Intl. Livestock Expo., Oct. 20-27. Walter A. Holt.

Pennsylvania

Pittsburgh-National Home Show, Sept. 2-9. Irving Wayne. Quakertown-Centennial, Sept. 5-5.

South Carolina

Gorsica-Dutch Festival, Aug. 21-Sept. 1. Huron-Pow Wow Day, Sept. 29. Kadoka-Labor Day Celebration, Sept. 2-3. Lake Preston-Watermelon Festival and Labor Day Celebration, Sept. 2-3. Lemmon-Jr. Livestock Show, Sept. 24. Miller-Central S. D. Calf Show, Oct. 8. Mitchell-4-H Stock Show and Sale, Sept. 11-12.

Mitchell-S. D. Market Hog Show, Sept. 25. Newell-Labor Day Celebration, Sept. 3. Sisseton-Kiwanis Club Horse Show, Sept.

Sioux Falls-Tepes Days, Oct. 5-7. Wagoner-Labor Day Celebration, Sept. 2-3 White Lake-Labor Day Celebration, Sept. 3.

Yankton-Pancake Days, Oct. 12-13.

Tennessee

Athens-McMinn Co. Dairy Show, Spet. 6. Marvin Lowry. Show, Sept. 6. Robert Childress.

Sept. 21-29. Glenn Pinkston.

Alice-Coastal Bend Livestock Show, Oct. 25-27. Mrs. Mary Herbert. Corsicana - Corsicana Livestock Show, Sept. 24-29. R. W. Knight. Dallas-Dallas Gift Show, Sept. 2-3. Paul Jones, Southland Life Annex. Dublin-Dublin Rodeo, Aug. 29-Sept. 1. C. E. Leatherwood. Gorman-Peanut Festival, Sept. 8-9. Kaufman-Kaufman Co. Livestock Show, Aug. 30-Sept. 1. Wm. D. Percy. Orange-Orange Jayces Rodeo, Aug. 30-Sept. 1. Henry Bland Jr.

g was given a moro and refreshing revamping. The Crafts show was moved under the grandstand and expanded. It featured many hand looms at which fair patrons could make items on the spot.

Besides these changes, the fair intensified its promotion. Veteran observers termed the advance campaign the best in years.

Crowds surged out Sunday (19) to give the fair a gate count of more than 134,285, the biggest paid gate in its history. A crowd in excess of 23,000 paid to see the 150-mile stock car race.

Harness races the following two afternoons drew light crowds, but rated par for such fare here.

A free grandstand show was offered in the afternoon Wednesday, Dairy Day, with the annual dairy parade and the coronation of Alice in Dairyland, as the highlights. The 200-mile stock car race was the feature Thursday. Time trials for Saturday's (25) 100-mile midget race were held Friday, with the grandstand price lowered to 50 cents for the trials. A 250-mile stock car race was slated for the Sunday (26) afternoon and Trans-World Daredevils were scheduled for Sunday night (25).

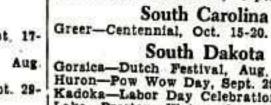
Tyler - Tex, Rose Festival, Oct. 19-21 Frank Bronugh, Chamber of Commerce. Utah Brigham-Peach Days, Sept. 7-8.

15. Lions Club.

Sept. 3. A. W. Stehlow, P. O. Box 1.







New

Mitchell-Corn Palace Festival, Sept. 23-29

Winner-Labor Day Celebration, Sept. 3



MUSIC MACHINES

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Communications to 188 W. Randolph St., Chicago 1, Ill.

200 Selections New Salesman of Juke Box Music

New Machines Bring Into Sharp Focus Prime Operator Need: To Sell Music

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week, his record and service costs the operator must work out new appear to eat up most of any increases he gains.

Full-Line Operating

Full-line music operating is a new term to explain new merchanoperator:

For the location whose earning power warrants a 200-selection machine, that is available. It is assumed that at the present just a small number of the total number of locations available warrant thisprobably 10 to 15 per cent.

For the bulk of present-day locations, machines offering 80, 100, 104 and 120 selections appear to be adequate. The significant point here, however, is that equipment is stepped-down, i.e., when an operator installs a new 200, the machine he had in that location will be moved to another not quite as good, and so on. In several years, this could mean that 200's, having permanently established dime-atune play, will gradually become the dominant machine in the business. Gradually 40 and 50-selection machines may no longer be required for the below-average income-producing locations. Leroy J. Lambert, of Lambert graph last week. Music Company, Stockton, Calif., sums up this point: "You can't buy for the marginal locations; you buy for the best. Then you move these down to your next best, and on down.' In all of this, keen selling by the operator is vital. For as is human nature, one tavernkeeper who sees another getting a newer, better machine is envious, and wants one himself. The earning power of the first warrants it, the second does

new pop tunes to program each not. This is just the point where commission arrangements to make

such similar installation available. Above all, the location owner who wants a special type of machine, say a 200-selection unit, is given dising possibilities open to the facts showing what the operator is able to do and what he is not able to do purely from an economic

> standpoint. The effectiveness of an operator's selling strategy is also closely determined by how well he sells the location owner on the music service he provides. This is well borne

> out by facts disclosed in the poll.

W. VA. LETTER LISTS SIX BIG OP ASSN. GOALS CHARLESTON, W. Va.— In a newsletter to operators thruout the State, the West Virginia Music Operators' Association last week highlighted what an operator association "can do for you." Listed were six of the more important projects being carried out by the

group.

1. Keep careful watch on State tax and licensing laws coming up before the Legislature.

Participate in hearings before city and State councils, and provide legal counsel.

3. Provide operators with a program for better public relations.

4. Provide operators with an opportunity to exchange views on operating management.

5. Conduct State-wide surveys and advertising programs. 6. Aid in governmental legislation.

GETS UNDER WAY Guests Jam Statler in Buffalo; 1st Day Crowd Estimated at 1,000

WURLITZER FETE

NORTH TONAWANDA, N. Y. | a stageshow in the afternoon along -From all over the country oper- with a full-fledged carnival and ators and distributors-and their circus. Another stageshow, the wives-began pouring into Buffalo Broadway musical, "Kismet," high-Thursday (23) for the Rudolph lighted the evening entertainment. Wurlitzer Company's Centennial Celebration.

Attendance at the event, tho not confirmed, was thought to be near the thousand mark on the first day, and still more guests were trooping in on Friday and Saturday.

The shindig really got under way at the Statler Hotel in Buffalo Thursday afternoon. The Wurlitzer registration desk opened at 3 p.m., was followed by a buffet supper in the Terrace Room around 6 p.m.

Friday's activities included a Wurlitzer factory tour in the morning, lunch in Wurlitzer park, and

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Saturday's program included tours of Niagara Falls, a hotel luncheon and cocktail party, and a grand banquet in the evening.

Editor's Note: A more thore accounting of the Wurlitzer Centennial fete, along with pictures of the festivities, will be featured in The Billboard, September 9.)

Standard Takes New Quarters In Little Rock

LITTLE ROCK-Standard Automatic Distributing Company, Wurlitzer outlet in this territory, is moving to new quarters at 805 Broadway.

Dan Levine, head of the firm, said that the new building provides more space in every department, from the service shop to the showroom. One of the main features of the new building, Levine said, is the parking arrangement for customers. The parking lot, he explained, is inside the building and large enough to accommodate from 10 to 15 cars. The building, to be air conditioned, will also feature complete parts and service departments. showroom and offices.

Rock-Ola Details 200 Model; Unit Has Dual Credit System Phono Holds to One-Button Play; Labeled "Smallest" Juke Box

Another Calif. City Goes 10c

VALLEJO, Calif .- Music operators here are in the process of converting to dime play.

The move got under way recently following a meeting of local operators, who were convinced that dime play was needed to offset rising costs. Altho there is no formal operator association here, the meeting drew most operators in the area.

Among those attending the gettogether were Alfred Cohen, Frank Hollis, Don Edwards, Harry Policer, Ralph Spinelli, Fed C. Coppo, Don Streeter, F. W. Hutchinson, Max Andrews, Bill Schnackel and W. F. Conley.

'My Prayer' Still Holds MOA Lead

NEW YORK --- "My Prayer," with the Platters on Mercury, again was named top juke box disk Saturday (25) on "National Juke Box," the ABC radio network show prepared by the Music Operators of customers were invited to attend. America.

Manufacturing Corporation unveiled its new 200-selection phono-

The new model, which was previewed for Rock-Ola distributors here August 8-10, features a dual credit accumulator for single and EP disk pricing, one-button play, a new amplifier and sound system,

and numerous cabinet changes, Rock-Ola calls its new model "the smallest 200 on the market." Cabinet dimensions are 57% inches high, 301/2 inches wide and 271/4

inches deep. Uncrated, it weighs 348 pounds. Compared with the firm's 120selection model, the 1454, the new

200 is only 2 inches higher and ¹/₄-inch deeper, with the width the same. The new machine is 13 pounds heavier than the 120.

Revolving Drum

Like the 1454, the new 200 features the Rock-Ola revolving record drum: dimensions of the record drum on the 120 and the 200 are identical.

Record play is via one-button selection. There are five revolving record panels with 20 records-40 selections-on each. The panels



CHICAGO --- The Music Box, one of Chicago's leading one-stop dealers, will host some 40 local operators at the Navajo Country Club for golf and dinner Tuesday (28).

Jim O'Dwyer, head of the firm, said that the event would be the first in a series of annual operator outings sponsored by the Music Box. He added that all operator-

The Navajo Country Club is lo-Other leading juke box records cated at 123d Street at Ridgeland played on the program were "Jet- Avenue. The golf outing will get as follows: They keep careful watch keeping an eye on local taxes is E. D. Blankendeckler, factory sales Zoom," with Steppin Fetchit on under way around 11 a.m., with on State tax and license laws com- reflected in the current hassle be- engineer of Seeburg.

CHICAGO --- The Rock - Ola are operated in the same manner as on the 120.

> The dual credit accumulator accepts nickels, dimes and quarters, storing credits up to \$1. The phonograph can be set for nickel, dime automatic volume level control was or 15-cent play.

Mechanically, the new model is close to the firm's 120-selection machine. Firm officials state that the increase in selections was made without the addition of moving parts.

Sound-wise, the 200 incorporates a third speaker. The new model has two 12-inch matched speakers and a compression driven horn. An incorporated in the amplifier.

From a single angle, the new model features front door accessibility for on-location servicing.

Operator showings of the new

provide operators with a solid voice

The news letter also highlighted

for the same objective, when they

exchange comments on business

(Editor's Note: Each of the points

in the association.

How Associations Help the Operators

State Group Outlines Basic Association Objectives; Taxes, P-R Rate High

CHICAGO----Can music oper- ticipate in hearings before city and ators compete with each other year State councils; provide for better in and year out for juke box loca- public relations; enable operators tions and at the same time work to exchange management views and week. side by side helping each other?

Certainly the number of music in all legislative proposals affecting the juke box industry at any level. operator associations thruout the country shows that it can and is being done. There are associations ways for operators to help their today representing cities, groups of associations: Operators help when cities, counties and entire States, they contribute their ideas at meetnot to mention the national music ings, when they work out local operator association, Music Operpublic relation programs of their ators of America. own or work with other operators

How do these associations function? What are their primary obmethods and when they are active jectives? How do they help oper-

The West Virginia Music Operators' Association, Inc., answered covered in the West Virginia Music these questions last week in a news Operators' Association's news letter letter to all member operators. The is self-explanatory. However, in an association listed six of the more effort to show how associations important functions of a music op- actually according these points, erator association. It also listed case studies of associations in acfive important ways that operators tion on each of the advantages folcan help their associations.

Six Points

Basically, associations aid oper- TION AID. Probably one of the operators and technicians. ators, the news letter pointed out, best examples of an association

200 have not yet been scheduled.

Neb. Op Assn. Skeds 5-State Meet Sept. 22

OMAHA --- Operators from Iowa, Missouri, Kansas and South Dakota will take part in the next quarterly meeting of the Nebraska Music Guild, Howard N. Ellis, secretary-treasurer, announced last

The meeting will be held in Omaha September 22-23 and will consist of two days of business sessions, with representatives of each State taking part in the program.

Special guests expected to attend are Al Schlesinger, head of National Coin Machine Distributors' Association, and Bob Dietmeier, coin machine editor of The Billboard.

During Sunday's (23) banquet recording artists will be on hand to supply entertainment.

Wolfe Holds 2-Day Op Service School

MONTGOMERY, Ala. --- Wolfe Distributing Company held a twoday factory service school here recently at the Jefferson Davis Hotel on the new Seeburg V-200 for

The school was conducted by

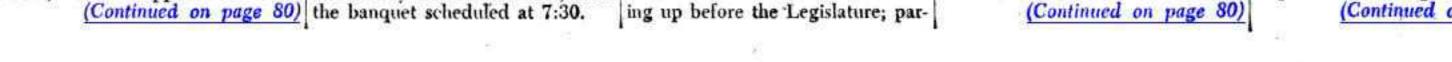
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LOCAL TAX AND REGULA-





\$2,800 AID **Op Cools Off Own Quarters** For 7 Reasons

ST. LOUIS-According to Walter and Sidney Morris, of J. S. Morris & Sons, an air-conditioning unit helps an operator more when it is located in his own establishment than in one of his locations.

The Morris brothers admit that they would like to see air-conditioning units in all of their locations, for collection reasons, but believe that dollar for dollar, the unit in their own shop is worth more than any three units in their locations.

Here's how the \$2,800 air-conditioning investment at their own quarters pays off:

Seven Reasons

- 1. Far greater shop production.
- 2. Less absenteeism.
- 3. More accurate servicing.
- 4. Better employee and employer relations.
- 5. More even reconditioning of equipment.
- 6. Better painting and lacquering conditions.
- 7. Frequent visits from customers.

In carrying out the air-conditioning project, the Morris brothers took advantage of existing ducts, installed their eight-ton package unit without additional vents or outlets.

Ork, Emsee Signed

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COINMEN YOU KNOW

New York

John Sampson, Herman Distributing Company, reports that the new Rock-Ola's 200's should be on the floor in two weeks. . . . Ralph Schectman, in charge of the Newark Office of Leslie Distributors, is motoring turu New York State on his vacation.

Hymie Koeppel's daughter, Tobi, was married Saturday (25) at the Flatbush Jewish Center. Her husband, Bert Wasserman, is finishing his dental internship.

Joe Young and Irv Holzman holding down the fort at Young Distributing, as Abe Libsky and most of the office staff are on vacation this week. Joe and Irv left Thursday (23) for Buffalo to attend the Wurlitzer Centennial. About 20 New York operators accompanied them on the plane ride.

Earl Scott, Scott Music, Maysville, N. C., was a visitor to 10th Avenue last week. Scott, who operates 25 juke boxes in the New Bern-Maysville area, reports that dime play is just beginning in his region. He adds that pool games are going well.

Jack Small, J.&S. Amusements, bought a portion of the J.D.&H. game route. . . Hyman Sherman, A.S. Vending, bought a game route from Ruth Michaelson.

H.K. Amusements has changed its name to the H.E.C. Amusement Company. Partners are E. Landman, H. Kaplan and C. Krantz. . . . Jack Tashman, who had been ill several months, died last week in Memorial Hospital. Ted Blatt, Associated Amusement Machine Operators of New York counsel, and many game operators attended the funeral Sunday (19).

George Holtzman, AAMONY president, is vacationing at the Fontainbleu in Miami. He was recently visited by Claire Morano, AAMONY office manager, and George Morano, while the Moranos were en route to Cuba.

Sandy Warner is vacationing in the White Mountains. . . . Al Koondel is taking a Canadian vacation, following the Wurlitzer shindig in North Tonawanda, N. Y. Also going to the Wurlitzer affair are Mr. and Mrs. Max Klein. He is vice-president of the Westchester Operators' Cuild.

Bernie Boorstein, Leslie Distributors, is passing out cigars. It's the Boorstein's first son, Myron. They have two daughters, Ellen and Margie.

Al Denver, president, and Sid Levine, counsel of the Music Operators of New York, left for the Wurlitzer Centennial at North Tonawanda, N. Y. Nash Gordon stayed at the office to work on the organization's annual affair to be held October 20 at the Waldorf-Astoria.

Sammy Marino, of Marino Music Company, still touring the State, and enjoying himself. X. Y. Zeverly, of Radio Center Music Company, and wife off on his vacation down New Orleans way. Jo Hiller, of Binkley Distributing Company, on her annual reprieve from work. Jo will spend a week at home, entertaining company from up North, and then off with hubby George to Jamaica, Havana and points south. Bill Binkley, boss man of Binkley Distributing Company, down from Jacksonville to take over in Jo's absence.

Back on the job after a six-week trip around the country is Willie Blatt, of Music Makers. Lucky Skolnik; other half of Music Makers, Inc., briefing Willie on what's what, and then off with his family to the Carolina Mountains for a couple of weeks. There is one guy who (Continued on page 89)

NEWS CLIPS

from last week's issue

Big Battle for Juke Sales Shapes Up for This Fall

Fall is the traditional big selling season for the juke box business, but from all signs this fall shapes up to be the biggest to date. There is good reason for this: A large number of new models so far introduced. Also there is a good deal of trade speculation about whether there will be more new models introduced before the year is out. What place the 200-selection phonograph occupies in the juke box business today-and what it may in the future -is a principal question.

Expect 1,200 at Three-Day Wurlitzer Centennial Fete

The Rudolph Wurlitzer Company, which held its last major industry get-together in North Tonawanda 20 years ago, expects the one held in August to be the biggest. For the event, the firm has employed variety acts, record artists and carnival rides (for this week's report see separate story elsewhere in this section).

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For RMSA Tourney; Event to Pull 500

Service Association has signed Dan Belloc and his orchestra and emsee Pat McCaffrey for its annual golf outing scheduled September 20. Over 500 operators and guests are expected to attend.

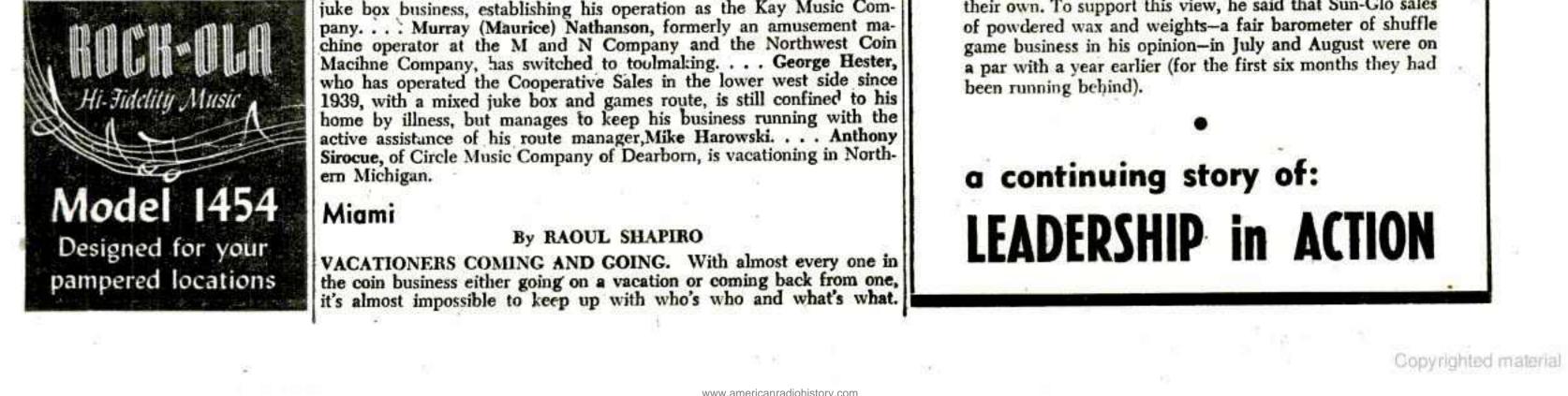
Both Belloc and McCaffrey have worked with local operators on previous occasions. Belloc was on hand for the RMSA event last year, Music Operators of Northern Illinois last year.

A four-man committee is making all arrangements for the golf event. They are Carl Green; Phil Levin, president; Earl Kies and Joe Filitti.

DIMANNOS WIN ON VIDEO SHOW

NEW YORK-Mary and John DiManno, the husbandand-wife team that operates Ace Music, Jersey City, got as high as the \$500 bonus category on a television program recently.

If the DiMannos could have accomplished their assignment-balancing the dowel of a fishing rod on a helmet -they would have left with \$53,000. They didn't fare too badly in the loot department, tho.. A new Westinghouse refrigerator was their prize.



John Tartaglia, County Vending, Port Chester, N. Y., was a 10th CHICAGO -- Record Music Avenue visitor last week. ... Izzy Edelman, Detroit pool table manufacturer, made the rounds on the Avenue.

> Harry Zevon, Lane Music serviceman, is out of the hospital. . . Jerry Basile, American Cigarette & Vending Company, is home sick. . Irv Klenetsky, music operator, has bought a new house in Flushing.

> Joe Magnani, head of the sound department at Atlantic-New York, is vacationing in New Jersey. . . . Sam Bushnell, Conditional Sales Credit Corporation, was a 10th Avenue visitor last week.

Morris Rood, Runyon Sales, says the firms export sales are picking and McCaffrey was emsee for the up. He has recently shipped juke boxes to Honduras, Venezuela and Austria.

> Sam Goldsmith, Capitol Projectors, returned from a three-week vacation to the West Coast and the Canadian Rockies.

Detroit

By HAL REVES

MOTOR CITY ODDS AND ENDS. Jack Rice, who operates the Rice Music Box Company in partnership with his brothers, Harold and Martin, has been vacationing right at home. This firm, which is actively managed by the youngest brother, Martin Rice, of Oak Park, has just about tripled its route in the past two years. . . . Tom Kremski is now operating the Reliable Shuffleboard Exchange in Northwestern Detroit. In the com machine business for years, he is a brother of Al and Jake Kremski, of the Great Lakes System of Flint. . . . Carl J. Von Gruenigen, of Von Gruenigen Music Company, who was seriously injured in an automobile accident two years ago, has recently resumed operation of his own route but is relying upon others for heavy service duties. He is keeping his activity and expansion at a standstill minimum pending further major surgery scheduled for the near future. . . . Richard A. Pinkston III is now a partner with his father, Richard A. Pinkston Jr., in the Pinkston Music Company, juke box operation. And there is a Richard A. Pinkston IV coming along to take his place in a few years.

Milton Howe, a businessman in the downriver suburb of Wyandotte, has established the new Automatic Beverage Distribution Company. . . . Aaron Katzman, Detroit bar owner, has moved into the juke box business, establishing his operation as the Kay Music Com-

California Operator Group Forms Financing Company ...

A diversified operating company headquartered in Los Angeles, set up in May, 1955, by 10 established music operators, formed a subsidiary financing firm. M.A.C. Vendors, Inc., was set up by the operators (all of whom have their own routes as well as having an investment in M.A.C.) to diversify with games and cigarette venders. The new subsidiary firm, called Vendors' Finance Corporation, was capitalized at \$200,000. It will lend money to operators or anyone qualifying for a loan arrangement at regular interest rates. According to Ray R. Powers, the parent company's general manager, all stock in the financing subsidiary, with \$1 par value, is held by original investors in the operating firm.

Political Convention TV Cuts Into Juke, Game, Bristro Takes . . .

Unlike the World Series or even a boxing match, televised political conventions raise havoc with juke box and amusement game takes in taverns. At least the Democratic one did. With the Republican National Convention beginning earlier and ending earlier, it's likely its effects won't be as bad. The World Series and fights, too, draw patrons to the tayern and boost play before and after each game. The Democratic convention was on during the busiest hours normally for machines.

Supplier Sees Strong Shuffle Comeback This Fall: Sales Up ...

The head of Sun-Glo Shuffleboard Supplies Corporation, Belleville, N. J., sees a strong comeback this year for shuffle games. Carmine Decepoli, Sun-Glo chief, said that altho thousands of pool games largely replaced the shuffle games this year, shuffle games are currently holding their own. To support this view, he said that Sun-Glo sales

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\$20-\$25 A DAY **Holiday Rentals: Get Plans Set Now**

stop and take a realistic view of If a rental customer is unknown the market and begin eliminating to Storey, he insists on a large deprofit-destroying pitfalls which nor- posit, guaranteeing to return the mally arise."

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Storey, Denver phonograph operator. Storey goes after the Christmas and New Year phonograph will make sure nothing happens to rental business every year and as the phonograph when he knows a result, he's mapped out a regular that he has a considerable cash decourse of action.

The first and primary consideration, Storey explained, is profit. operator routes his rental deliveries "Long experience has taught me as he does his collectors. On any that it is impossible to rent a phonograph for less than \$20, even in one section of town only. And if the rental customer is located just a few minutes away and plans to use the machine for just a few hours."

\$25 Charge

And the \$20 price is still a small profit margin, asserted Storey, who prefers to charge \$25.

"When it is considered that each machine going out on rental usually requires several hours of mechanical and electrical service in order to insure efficiency, and that it on location. takes two men to transport it to the location and pick it up again, quests, Storey keeps a large inthe \$25 price is very realistic," Storey said.

He pointed out that he explains these points to customers who balk at the price of rental. "Usually, this smooths ruffled feelings," he trade-in.

DENVER--- "Altho the juke box down in black and white. The holiday rental business is still four deposit collected should also be months away, now is the time to included in the contract, he said.

deposit when the phonograph is That's the advice offered by Bill returned. The advantages of such demands are psychological, Storey pointed out, inasmuch as the renter posit at stake.

To hold costs down, the Denver one day, rental deliveries are made usually deliveries are held up until two or three machines are slated for the same neighborhood.

Disk Variety

The kind of music put on a rented phonograph is up to the customer. If a customer wants polkas or foreign tunes, Storey will load the phonograph with just that. However, most customers ask for a variety, and in this case Storey sets up a machine the same as one

To fill these rental customer reventory of records on hand. He also keeps the rental business in mind when he's trading in equipment-sometimes a phonograph is worth more as a renter than as a

BUSTED PARTS? EXCHANGE 'EM FOR FIX-IT COST ST. LOUIS-Joe McCor-

mick, head of Musical Sales Company, exchanges good phonograph parts for broken ones plus what ever it costs him to fix the broken part.

McCormick believes that one of the worst drawbacks to any operator's success, particularly smaller operators, is the long wait for a part to be repaired. That's why he set up his exchange service.

Under the plan, McCormick maintains' a huge inventory of parts for all leading phonograph lines. When an operator brings in a part which is not functioning correctly, McCormick estimates what the cost of repair will be, charges the operator that amount and gives him another part.

His current inventory of parts is large enough to satisfy about 90 per cent of all his customers.

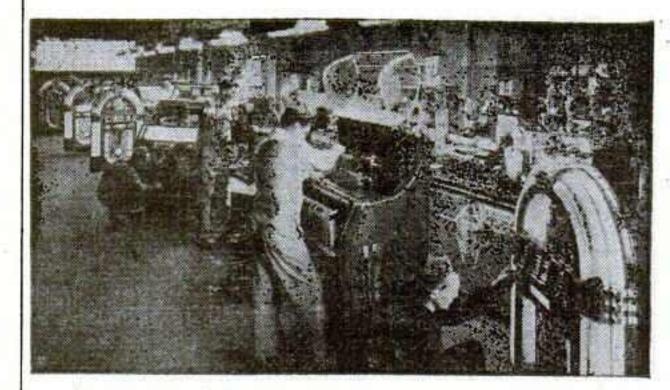
Wolfe School

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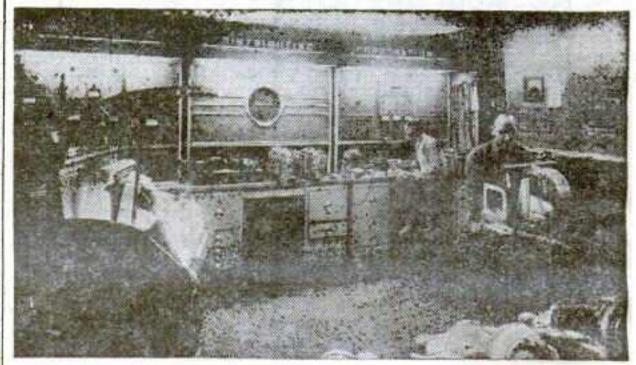
Attending the school were A. H. Miller, district sales manager, Seeburg; Harry C. Clarkson, branch manager, Wolfe Distributing Company; H. Parker, Jack Callans and Charlie Wellborn, all of Wolfe Distributing Company. From Cohen Amusement Company, Montgomery, were: I. E. Cohen, Raymond Cohen, W. E. Brown, Paul Harrell and L. H. Tharp.

WHY 40,000 WORDS?

Four Pictures Tell Juke Export Story



PHONOGRAPHS PREPARED FOR EXPORT. The first step for a Davis Distributing Company phonograph marked for export is in the firm's modern service department. Here machines are set up as on an assembly line, checked inside and out for needed adjustments and given a complete overhauling.



added.

Rental Contract

Another important consideration, erations," Storey emphasized. "By Storey said, is a rental contract. It's important that the details the rental business in advance, we of how a phonograph is to be de- have shown a fair profit year after

livered, and the rental price are year."

"Care in rentals is just as important as in ordinary location optaking care of the loose ends of

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tween United Music Operators of need not be big or rich, just so Michigan and a small Detroit sub- long as all operators work together.

urb. Suburban Wyandotte passed an ordinance calling for a substantial increase in juke box fees, but before the new ordinnace was put into effect UMO had requested a special hearing and action on the ordinance.

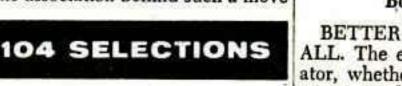
At present the issue is still undecided. But UMO, representing the local operators, indicated that should the ordinance stand as is, court action would be sought.

Individually, operators would be unable to bring such action about. Thru their association they have a much stronger voice and are in a better position to present their case.

Group P-R

BETTER PUBLIC RELA-TIONS. The cost of a good public relations program is normally too high for one operator to support alone. Combined co-operation, however, cuts the cost to fit an operator's budget.

The big problem in a public relations program is operator support. The association behind such a move



there is a

WURLITZER PHONOGRAPH for every location

200 SELECTIONS

Typical of what can be done was program carried out recently by the newly formed association of the Music Operators' Society of St. Joseph Valley, with headquarters in South Bend, Ind.

Operators there began meeting together when the area started converting to dime play. As a result of these meetings the association was formed and a public relations program was adopted. To begin, the association invited newspaper reporters to their meetings in an effort thru informal discussions to create a better understanding of

their business.

What happened was a series of stories on the efforts of the local operators and a feature three-page article in a Sunday supplement. The good will achieved thru these stories was unmeasurable. Dime play moved in quickly and easily, and the public there today looks at the operators as music experts.

BETTER MANAGEMENT FOR ALL. The experience of one operator, whether regarding his efforts to go to dime play or just ease collection costs, are always of interest to other operators. Not only are these experiences interesting but helpful.

informal discussions between oper- erators of America. From here, opators as the big spark in going to erator defense is planned and put dime play. During association into action against copyright socimeetings, operators were urged to eties trying to eliminate the juke

Others were Curtis Enfinger, Mc-Crory Music Company, Montgomery; Gary Yates, Yates Music Company, Auburn, Ala.; Ted/ Barnes, H. E. Bell and Radford Collins, all of Ted's Music Company, Columbus, Ga.

Dan Livingston and William Norris, Pensacola Amusement Company, Pensacola, Fla.; O. C. Wood and Winston Wood, Wood Amusement Company, Andalusia, Ala.; Joe P. Smith, W. L. Tolbert and L. M. McCary, Smith Amusement Company, Crestview, Fla.; L. M. Flow, Flow Amusement Company, DeFuniak Springs, Fla.; S. W. Andrews, Dixie Amusement Company, Dothan, Ala., and K. L. Rickles of Birmingham.

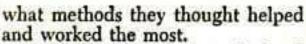
'My Prayer' Leads

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Ferris; "Whatever Will Be, Will Be," with Doris Day on Columbia, and "A Stairway to the Moon," with Sonny Graham on RCA-Victor.

Selected as most promising records were "Chigger, Chigger Wa-Wa," with Cab Calloway on Ampa, and "Canadian Sunset," with Hugo Winterhalter on RCA-Victor.

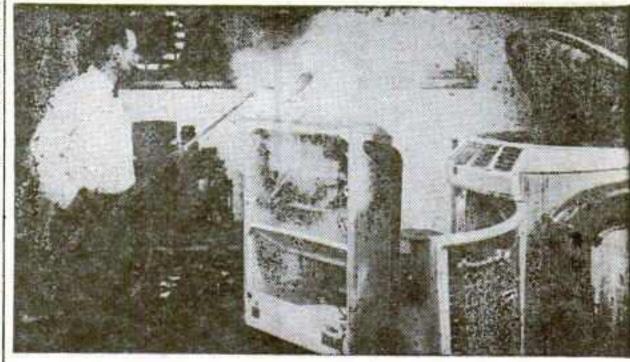
Appearing on the program were George A. Miller, MOA president; Louis Casola, Rockford, Ill., MOA director, and Jack Jeffries, Oceola, Ia., MOA director.



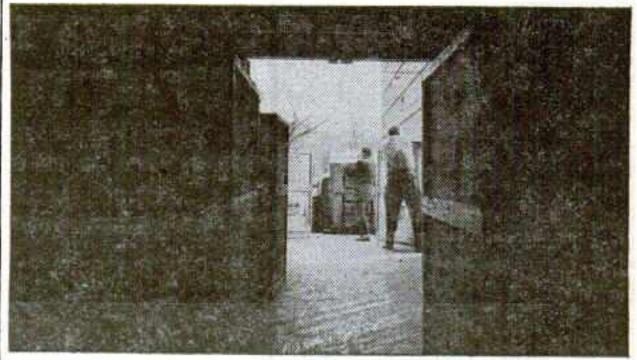
Such discussions soon had all operators convinced that dime play was necessary and possible. With new know-how picked up at each meeting, operators found changeovers progressively easier.

ALL LEVEL LEGISLATION. Nowhere is the watchful eye on national legislation more keen than The Nebraska Music Guild used at the headquarters of Music Op-

SOUND SYSTEMS CHECKED. Trained technicians check each phonograph's entire sound system before it is okayed for overseas shipment at Davis Distributing Company, Syracuse. The firm's sound lab features the latest electrical testing equipment available on the market.

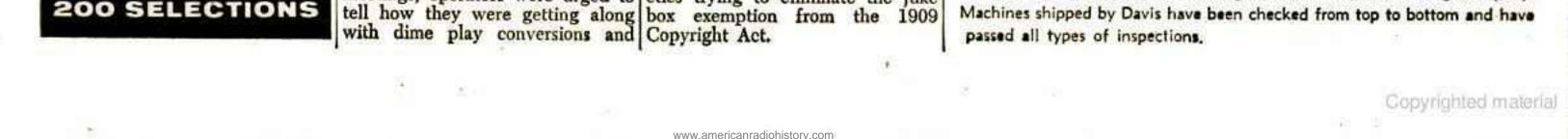


HIGH-PRESSURE STEAMING. Phonographs slated for export at Davis Distributing Company undergo a thoro cleaning. Via a high-pressure steamcleaning unit, machines emerge from the cleaning room as spotless as the day they left the factory.



THE LAST STEP. One more shipment of specially crated phonographs for export are placed on the loading dock at Davis Distributing Company. Machines shipped by Davis have been checked from top to bottom and have

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Advertised Used Coin Machine Prices

How to Use the 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.

| MOST ACTIVE I | QUIP | MENT | |
|---|---------|-----------|--------------|
| lFor Four-week period August 25, | | with iss | ues: M |
| ARCADE EQUIPMENT | IICH | LOW | MEAN ADV. |
| 1. GENCO-Rifle Gallery \$1 | 85.00 | \$125.00 | \$175.00 |
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| 2. SEEBURG-Coon Hunt 1 | 50.00 | 50.00 | 125.00 |
| 2. CHICAGO COIN- Midget Movies 1 | 35.00 | 125.00 | 125.00 |
| 2. WILLIAMS | 85.00 | 150.00 | 175.00 |
| 2. EXHIBIT-Sportland 1 | 85.00 | 125.00 | 175.00 |
| 2. UNITED-Zingo | 65.00 | 45.00 | 65.00 |
| MUSIC MACHINES | | | |
| 1. SEEBURG-M-100-C \$5 | 75.00 1 | \$485.00. | \$535.00 |

2. WURLITZER-1500 ... 275.00 199.50 225.00

| | | High | Low | Avg. | |
|---|---|--------|--------|----------|--|
| 2 | Rifle Gallery (G) $\left(6/54\right)$. | 185.00 | 125.00 | 175.00 | |
| | Shoot the Bear (S) | 145.00 | 89.50 | 125.00 | |
| | Sidewalk Engineer (W) (5/55) | 185.00 | 150.00 | 175.00 | |
| | Sky Fighter (M) $(9/53)$ | 135.00 | 60.00 | 125.00 | |
| | Sportland (Ex) (11/51) | 185.00 | 125.00 | 175.00 | |
| | Zingo (U) (1/51) | 65.00 | 45.00 | \$ 65.00 | |

MUSIC MACHINES

SEEBURG

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| | High | Low | Mcan Avg. |
|--------------------|--------|--------|--------------|
| Hawaii (6/54) | 75.00 | 50.00 | 59.50 |
| Manhattan (4/55) | 175.00 | 150.00 | 175.00 |
| Nevada (8/54) | 75.00 | 50.00 | 50.00 |
| Pixie (9/55) | 345.00 | 225.00 | 285.00 |
| Singapore (10/54) | 75.00 | 60.00 | 75.00 |
| Starlet (11/55) | 335.00 | 250.00 | 295.00 |
| Tahiti (8/53) | 90.00 | 45.00 | 50.00 |
| Triple Play (8/55) | 215.00 | 190.00 | 200.00 |
| Tropics (7/55) | 75.00 | 45.00 | 49.50 |

SHUFFLE GAMES

Advance Bowler (CC)

| 2. WURLITZER-1500 | | 199.90 | 223.00 |
|--|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 2. WURLITZER-1800 | 815.00 | 650.00 | |
| WURLITZER—1250 | 175.00 | 125.00 | 165.00 |
| SHUFFLE GAMES | | | |
| 1. KEENEY-Bonus Bowler. | \$125.00 | \$ 75.00 | \$ 75.00 |
| 2. BALLY-Magic | | | 275.00 |
| 2. UNITED-Royal | | | ~~ 영양가 (1993년 17) |
| 3. KEENEY-Bikini | | | |
| 3. KEENEY-Pace Maker | 95.00 | 50.00 | 50.00 |
| VENDING MACHINES | | | |
| 1. Acom 5c or 1c | \$ 10.00 | \$ 8.50 | \$ 10.00 |
| 1. Columbus 1c Bulk | | | |
| 1. National 930 | 110.00 | 95.00 | 95.00 |
| 1. Northwestern 49, 1c | | | |
| 2. National 950 | 115.00 | 110.00 | 110.00 |
| 2. Northwestern | 12.00 | 9.95 | 9.95 |
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| BALLY | HICH | LOW | |
| 1. Variety | \$175.00 | \$105.00 | |
| 2. Gayety | 150.00 | 115.00 | |
| 2. Miami Beach | 295.00 | 225.00 | |
| GOTTLIEB | | | |
| 1. Duette | \$235.00 | \$225.00 | 20 |
| 2. Dragonette | 140.00 | 125.00 | |
| 2. Gold Star 2. Southern Belle | | | |
| 2. Wishing Well | 195.00 | 95.00 | |
| UNITED | | | |
| 1. Pixie | \$345.00 | \$225.00 | |
| 2. Starlet | | 250.00 | |
| 3. Triple Play | | 190.00 | |
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PINBALL GAMES

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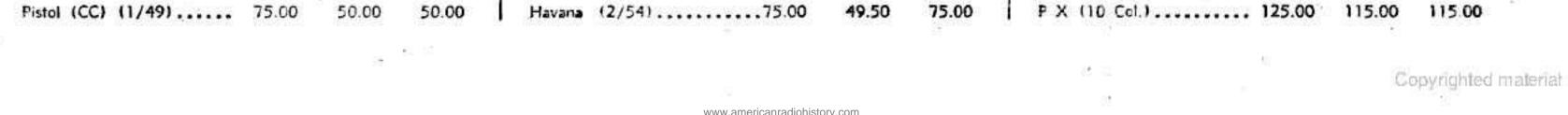
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| Beach Club (2/53) | 85.00 | 45.00 | 65.00 |
| Beauty (11/52) | 100.00 | 49.50 | 65.00 |
| Big Time (1/55) | 275.00 | 225.00 | 255.00 |
| Bright Lights (5/51) | 75.00 | 60.00 | 65.00 |
| Bright Spot (11/51) | 75.00 | 50.00 | 65.00 |
| Broadway (12/55) | 450.00 | 365.00 | 425.00 |
| Coney Island (9/52) | 65.00 | 39.00 | 49.50 |
| Dude Ranch (9/51) | 90.00 | 45.00 | 65.00 |
| Frolic (10/52) | 85.00 | 50.00 | 85.00 |
| Gayety (3/55) | 150.00 | 115.00 | 125.00 |
| Gaytime (6/55) | 275.00 | 175.00 | 225.00 |
| Hi-Fi (6/54) | 95.00 | 50.00 | 90.00 |
| Ice Frolics (1/54) | 95.00 | 45.00 | 65.00 |
| Miami Beach (9/55) | 295.00 | 225.00 | 265.00 |
| Nite Club (3/56) | 525.00 | 450.00 | 525.00 |
| Palm Beach (7/52) | 75.00 | 49.50 | 50.00 |
| Palm Springs (11/52) | 90.00 | 50.00 | 75.00 |
| Surf Club (3/54) | 110.00 | 65.00 | 75.00 |
| Variety (9/54) | 175.00 | 105.00 | 135.00 |
| Yacht Club (6/53) | 75.00 | 45.00 | \$0.00 |
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| Dragonette (6/54) | 140.00 | 125.00 | \$129.00 |
| Duette (4/55) | 235.00 | 225.00 | 235.00 |
| Gold Star (3/54) | 150.00 | 125.00 | 150.00 |
| Southern Belle (6/55) | 195.00 | 175.00 | 175.00 |
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| Southern | Belle | (6/55) | 195.00 | 175.00 | 175.00 |
| Wishing | Well | (9/55) | 195.00 | 95.00 | 185.00 |
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| Cabana | (3/5 | 3) | 45.0 0 | 45.00 | \$ 45.00 |
| Havana | (2/5 | 4) | 75.00 | 49.50 | 75.00 |
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| Advance Bowler (CC) | | | |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------|----------|----------------|
| (5/53) | 135.00 | \$ 95.00 | \$135.00 |
| Bikini (K) (6/54) | 150.00 | 125.00 | 150.00 |
| Bonus Bowler (K) (3/54). | 125.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 |
| Bonus Score Bowler | | 8 | |
| (CC) (4/55) | | 275.00 | ~295.00 |
| Cascade (U) (2/53) | 59.00 | 50.00 | 59.00 - |
| Century (K) (6/54) | 195.00 | 125.00 | 175.00 |
| Chief (U) (11/53) | 100.00 | 95.00 | 95.00 |
| Classic (U (6/53) | 85.00 | 69.00 | 85.00 |
| Clover Shuffle (U) (1/53) | 70.00 | 65.00 | 65.00 |
| Feature (CC) (7/54) | 175.00 | 125.00 | \$175.00 |
| Cold Medal (B) (3/55) | 300.00 | 300.00 | 300.0 0 |
| Imperial (U) (9/53) | 175.00 | 75.00 | 100.00 |
| Jet Bowler (B) (8/54) | 175.00 | 175.00 | 175.00 |
| Leader Shuffle Alley (U) (11/53) | 125.00 | 100.00 | 125.00 |
| League Bowler (U) (1/54) | | 100.00 | 115.00 |
| Magic (B) (12/54) | | 195.00 | 275.00 |
| Pacemaker (K) (9/53) | THE REAL PROPERTY OF | 50.00 | 50.00 |
| Playtime Bowler (CC) (10/54) | 225.00 | 195.00 | 225.00 |
| Rainbow Shuffle Alley (U) (8/54) | 100.00 | 99.50 | 100.00 |
| Royal (U) (8/54) | 95.00 | 80.00 | 85.00 |
| Super Frame (CC) (5/54). | 155.00 | 95.00 | 155.00 |
| Targette (U) | 175.00 | 145.00 | 165.00 |
| Team Bowler (U) (1/54). | 120.00 | 100.00 | 115.00 |
| Tenth Frame Bowler (CC). | 60.00 | 50.00 | 50.00 |
| Triple Strike Bowler (CC). | 275 00 | 225.00 | 250.00 |

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| Acorn 5c cr 1c | \$ 10.00 | \$ 8.50 | \$ 10.00 |
|--------------------------------|----------|---------|----------|
| Columbus 1c Bulk | 8.50 | 5.00 | 6.50 |
| National M-2A (9 Col.) | 145.00 | 115.00 | 125.00 |
| National 930 | 110.00 | 95.00 | 95.00 |
| National 950 | 115.00 | 110.00 | 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 | 85.00 | 115.00 |
| P X (10 Col.) | 125.00 | 115.00 | 115.00 |



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Communications to 188 W. Randolph St., Chicago 1, Ill.

Beads Click in Midwest; Increase Bulk Ball Gum Operators' Grosses

Credit New Item for Peak Sales; Best Summer Collections in Past Five Years

CHICAGO-Midwest ball gum | bands and special ringlet designs | adults like nothing before. The vending operators are experiencing for bicycles. The girls now have unusually cool weather had also one of the best summers the in- taken to making belts and head- helped to keep sales at a high dustry has enjoyed in the past five dress bands. years.

Ball gum operators in general credit the banner sales to the high popularity of snap-on beads, which have not only caught the fancy of girls, but boys and adults as well.

Current reports reveal the popularity of the interlocking beads is growing. The consensus of Midwest operators, like that of West Coast operators (The Billboard, July 28) is that the demand for the snap-on beads will continue for several months.

Three leading bulk distributors, King & Company, T. T. Vending Sales Company and Logan Distributing Company, report there is a big demand for the beads, and has been for the past several months.

Features Beads

Said Mike Sparacino, co-owner of Sparacino Sons, one of the largest bulk operations here:

ing item we've had in the past five manufacturer, thru an exchange of corporation last fall when 174,540 years. We are featuring them in all stock, the terms of which have not common shares were offered for the acquisition September 24. our machines. They have caught been disclosed. the fancy of the public like nothing before. Machines are emptying much faster than usual. Many that took from six to eight weeks to sell out are now sold out in three to four weeks."

level. Charles Needleman, of Variety

three to four months to sell out charm manufacturers bring out are emptying in three weeks."

fection Specialties, one of the larg- of all charms handled by the disest bulk operators in the Midwest: tributors, according to Paul Cris-

active this summer. The beads have Tortorici, T. T. Vending, and Jack made a big hit with children and Nelson, Logan.

He expressed the opinion that Sales, reports: "Business is terriffic. the bead boom would continue Some of my stops that took from thru the fall, especially if the vacuum plated ones.

Said Bob Kantor, head of Con- Beads are by far the best sellers "Business has been unusually man, King & Company; Tony

Vendo Moves to Buy Vendorlator Firm

Stockholders to Vote on Move Aug. 31; **Operating, Sales Policies Remain Same**

KANSAS CITY, Mo .--- The Ven-| currently are 10 per cent greater do Company has moved to acquire than that for the comparable period the Vendorlator Manufacturing of 1955, Pierson reported.

"The beads are the fastest sell- Company, Fresno, Calif., bottle Vendo became a publicly owned

proved the transaction last week recently declared an 8 per cent number of common shares for all and stockholders will vote on the move Friday (31). Combined sales of the two firms for 1955 were \$35,552,172. Firm officials estimated that sales of the affiliated companies will be increased to \$40 million. E. F. Pierson, chairman of the board of Vendo, announced that there will be no changes made in the operating or sales policies of the two firms. "The action will provide additional facilities and personnel needed for the rapidly expanding product lines of both companies, he stated. "It will also permit more effective research activities thru the combination of facilities and elimination of duplicating efforts."

fee. The vender also offers hot chocolate. Sunshine to

Acquire Gordon In Stock Deal

IT'S A SPOT

OF COFFEE IN

ENGLAND NOW

LONDON-Are the Eng-

Warner Theater in Leicester

lish swinging over to coffee?

Square, the company's London show place, has installed a cof-

fee vender, a Rudd Melikian

Coffee Club machine, the first

They can have their coffee

with cream, with or without

sugar, or just plain black cof-

Britishers have a choice, too.

to operate in Britain.

NEW YORK --- Thru an exchange of stock, Sunshine Biscuits, Inc., has agreed to acquire Cordon Foods, Inc., Atlanta, of ficials of the companies announced last week.

The transaction was approved by directors of both companies. Gordon stockholders will vote on

sale. The common shares are Sunshine will effect the trans-Directors of both companies ap- traded over the counter. The firm action by issuing an undisclosed

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Theater Meet To Highlight **Vending Sales**

Motion Picture Men Look Forward to **Full Line Service**

NEW YORK---Automatic vending will play an important role in the International Motion Picture Industries show here September 20 thru 24.

That observation was made by Bert Nathan, Theater Popcorn Vending Corporation, Brooklyn, president of the Popcorn Concessions' Association.

"Theater men and concessionaires are looking ahead," Nathan declared, "to an automatic vending food line for drive-in theaters snak bars similar to what is found in many industrial plants today."

Supporting Nathan's view is Lee Koken, director of concessions for **RKO** Theater Industries Corporation, New York, and PCA general convention chairman. Said Koken:

"We are sold on the advantages of automatic merchandising to supplement personal service stands in (Continued on page 84)



Business will continue at the high level many operators believe as long as the youngsters continue to discover how to make various ornamental items.

Supporting this view is John Harper, head of his own firm here, who believed that only girls would buy the beads. "I was quite surprised to learn that boys as well as adults were buying them, he reported.

Make Designs

While girls make strings of beads and bracelets, the boys, he disclosed, make belts, headdress

7-Up Ready on **Pre-Mix Push**

NEW YORK - The Seven-Up Company has named Lawrence L. Ferree Jr. pre-mix equipment manager. His job will be to assist franchised bottlers in developing pre-mix vending operations.

Formerly Northeast technical counselor, Ferree will work with the product department under Dr. B. C. Cole, assisting bottlers with production, equipment and installation problems.

D. J. O'Connor, sales manager, will direct the pre-mix programs of regional sales managers and counselors, while William E. Winter, sales promotion manager, will be in charge of pre-mix sales plans and training material.

J. D. O'Shea, formerly cooler manufacturers and product supand vender sales manager, will pliers will be discussed at the bihandle national accounts, initial monthly meeting of the California sales contacts with national concessionaires and chain stores.

Replacing O'Shea as cooler and vender sales manager is Wesley K. Hill, former regional representative. Charles W. Wegner, cooler announced dinner will be served and vender service manager, will at 6:30 p.m. with the meeting to has been installed at the local brand in a pouch pack in Philip

Venders Made

Vendo makes milk, ice cream, pastry, sandwich, hot and cold food, bottle drink and pre-mix equipment. Vendo lator, in addition to making bottle venders, hold subcontracts for aircraft parts and manufactures central system air conditioning equipment.

Vendo's earnings for the first six months of 1956 were \$936,258 or \$1.14 per common share after preferred dividends, 'as compared with earnings for all of 1955 of \$842, 379, or \$1.01 per share. Net sales

Calif. Bulk Assn. To Discuss Taxes At Sept. 14 Meet

LOS ANGELES-Bulk vending machines taxes and problems confronting operators, machine

Automatic Vending Association September 14 in the Colonial Room of the Ambassador Hotel here.

B. J. (Bob) Grenier, president,

stock dividend. Employs 1,200

is located in Mexico.

The firm's plant here has more 32 acres and employs more than

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Oregon Stove Mfr. Bows New Food Unit

Furnace Company, one of the old- local restaurant, Burns, to prepare est manufacturing firms on the and deliver the food to the best West Coast, has entered the vend- installations. ing field with a food machine.

The firm's vender is designed along the "freezer type" food cabinets to dispense frozen packages of cook meat selections, potatoes, vegetables, sandwiches and dessert. Also provided is a food warmer designed for wall use in which the food is heated.

Said Wesley Turner, Montag's sales representatives for the food line that was in development for the past year:

"Using our equipment, Montag workers purchase their lunches from the frozen food vender at the morning coffee break at 10 o'clock. They then place their selection in the wall warmer: and by lunch time the meals are ready to eat."

For Small Plants

Continuing, Turner explained that small plants lacking cafeteria ers here feel that the pouch-type have announced plans to switch facilities can offer a catering type of service with a minimum of problems.

Employees, he said for example, box-type package. for 50 cents can buy a "full-course lunch" of Salisbury steak, buttered Morris, Inc., which has recently whipped potatoes and a biscuit. Disposable aluminum foil dishes its Parliaments to flip-top boxes. are used to package the food and plastic spoons and forks are pro- Philip Morris king-size, Parliaments vided.

of Gordon's 420,000 outstanding Abco. Divisions

Sunshine is one of the country's than 400,000 square feet, covers leading producers of biscuits, crackers and cookies. Gordon proc-1,200 persons. An affiliated plant esses potato chips, corn chips, popcorn, salted peanuts and other

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PORTLAND, Ore. — Montag he added, has contracted with

The vender has a 200-item capacity with the selection placed in individual compartments in tiers, each with its own pull-down door. Maryland and Delaware being No price has been set on the unit. Those installed in Portland are Abco distributorship is Bernard B. owned by Montag.

Montag officials reported they York, N. J. have about 200 additional machines in various stages of assembly. Montag also builds home freezers in addition to its heating warehouse several units and have and cooking stoves.

NEW YORK-The New York headquarters of Abco, regional distributor for vending machines made by Eastern Electric, Inc., will be sales headquarters for both the Eastern Electro cigarette machine and the Lunch-O-Mat.

Last week The Billboard carried a story on the Abco organization which said that the showrooms of Wiener Sales, Abco affiliate, on 10th Avenue would be devoted only to the Electro.

Since then, the firm announced that Wiener Sales will also handle the Lunch-O-Mat. Bill Wiener will head the Lunch-O-Mat division, while Murray Wiener will be in charge of Lunch-O-Mat sales.

Abco Area

Their area will include New York, New Jersey, Eastern Pennsylvania, with the possibility of added. In charge of the entire Azarow, with offices in West New

Wednesday (22) the Wieners received their display Lunch-O-Mat. Bill Wiener said that Abco would one model on the floor at all times.

Trend Toward Boxed Cigarette Packs Seen

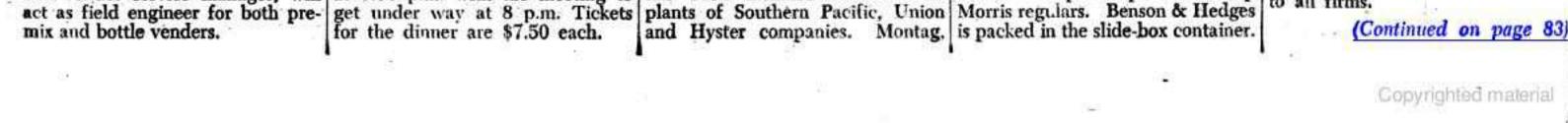
NEW YORK-Industry observ- | cigarette pack, standard in the cig- from pouch to box, but talk here is arette business for a generation, that such switches are in the offing may eventually be replaced by the for 1957.

Leader in this trend is Philip switched its Philip Morris longs and

Currently the PM line-up has and Marlboros in flip-top boxes. Turner disclosed that the vender Only nationally distributed PM

To date, no other manufacturers

One factor that may have been holding up the development of boxtype packs is the lack of machinery for making the packs. For a while, Philip Morris had been granted exclusivity on machinery made by the British firm of Molins. This exclusivity is no longer in effect and the machinery is now available to all firms.





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Will Pool Games **Be Back in Fall?**

Fischer Sales Exec. Lists Seven Reasons Why They Will Stage Strong Comeback

comeback this fall and winter.

That is the optimistic view expressed by R. W. Weikel, general of one basic type are produced sales manager of Fischer Sales & within a seven-month period of game.

of the game on seven points, and incided with the beginning of the the fact that new adaptations of the usual summer slowdown period game along the lines of its original when players began thinking of play will rejuvenate interest now golf, swimming, fishing, gardening, that the readjustment period is etc. about over.

tors have interpreted the usual sum- set a pattern which so far has been mertime slowdown to mean the end followed by the U.S. market. After of bumper pool popularity, Weikel the initial distribution thruout Eu-

Old Games Sold As Yule Gifts By Denver Op

DENVER----What to do with obsolete coin-operated amusement games 'is no problem to Lou Shulman, head of Modern Music

CHICAGO --- Coin - operated | stated he takes an entirely opposite pool games will stage a strong view, basing his view on the following seven points:

1. Any time 100,000 plus games Manufacturing Company, Tipton, time-September thru March-there Mo., a pioneer manufacturer of the is bound to be a readjustment period.

Weikel bases his future outlook 2. The readjustment period co-

3. The history of bumper pool Pointing out that many distribu- in Europe, where it originated, has rope, bumper pool distribution fell of six months, then it came back at a steady pace.

11 New Games Bowed

HARDTOPS POP STOPS FOR OP

NEW ORLEANS -- A highly unusual departure in service vehicles is paying dividends for TAC Amusement Company, pinball operating firm here.

Instead of the usual station wagon or panel truck, the firm uses Chevrolet Bel Air hardtop convertibles. Each bears the TAC signature-a phonograph record in bright green against a vellow background.

According to the firm they not only attract attention but have been initially responsible for establishing new locations besides.

Scientific Set For 10th Ave.

NEW YORK--Nat Cohn, Scien-

In July and August Gun Unit; Five-Ball Pins Spark Revived Interest as 1956 Models Reach 84 Mark

CHICAGO--Eleven new games there is a big demand for good were introduced during July and used gun games and that they August in the coin-operated amuse- are hard to secure. ment game field, bringing the year's total of new models to 84.

(The Billboard, August 18.)

For the first time, July was the demands. only month in 1956 thus far in which no new pool games were game debuted in August.

First of Year

However, the introduction of a new gun game that month, the first of the 1956 year, State Fair tific Machines, Inc., Monday (27) Rifle Gallery by Genco Manufacmoved from his Brooklyn plant to turing & Sales Company, made tern. (The Billboard, August 18.)

Rifle games, according to re-Reports from distributors disclosed new bowler by Bally Manufactur-

This report was substained further by other manufacturers' re-Two - gun and five-ball pin newed interest in gun games, and games-brought about a marked Genco's report that it has increased renewal of interest in the field its daily working shift to 12 hours on production of the unit to meet

Enter Chi Coin

August produced the setting for bowed. Three new versions of the a big revival in the interest of five-ball novelty games. Chicago Coin Machine Company increased the "new look" in the field by re-entering it. This move was followed by reports that other game manufacturers may follow the pat-

More than 50 per cent of the games-six-debuted during the two ing Company.

Following is a list of the 10 new models presented during the two months:

| 20 | July | 2 4 |
|------------------|----------|---------------|
| Games | Mfrs. | Type |
| State Fale Rifle | | |
| Gallery | Genco | Gun game |
| Monaco | United | In-line pin |
| Classy Bowler | Gottlieb | Five-ball pin |
| Surf' Rider | Williams | Five-ball pin |
| | | |

September to Bring Forth New Galaxy of Games: Mfrs. Swing Indicates Revived Interest in

off to almost nothing for a period offices at 583 10th Avenue. news. The 10th Avenue showroom is strong and has been going along a modernistic, glass-front building. ports, (The Bilboard, August 18), months were of the pinball variety. Cohn said he would give complete are clicking thruout the country. The other singleton type was a (Continued on page 86) details on the move next week.

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Company here.

Shulman simply offers them at "outright sales" to the public as unusual gifts at Christmas time, results.

Running a series of advertiseand adult alike, offering special follows tradition. entertainment in the home.

Preparations for the annual holiday sale in under way the entire (Continued on page 86)

Empire, Kitt Celebrate 15th **Coin Birthday**

CHICAGO--Empire Coin Machine Exchange celebrates its 15th anniversary in the coin machine business next Tuesday (2).

The firm's history has been one of steady expansion. Gil Kitt, president and founder of the firm, launched Empire Coin in a oneroom office on North Avenue in 1941. Today the firm occupies quarters on Milwaukee Avenue which feature offices, showrooms, service and parts departments and storage space.

lines as United, Williams, Genco, Auto-Photo and Klopp. In 1941 Empire only jobbed equipment, held no franchises whatsoever.

In addition to local sales, Empire also built up a large export business.

Currently the firm is in the process of expanding its sales department. Joe Robbins, sales manroad and in the office.

Kitt is also president of the National Coin Machine Distributors' Association.

Several Types, Location Studies Reveal

Manufacturers are expected to ments in local newspapers during introduce an entirely new array the Yuletide season, Shulman points of games now that fall is practically out in his ads that these unusual here. That is the consensus among gifts are favorites with children distributors and operators, and it

Thruout the industry is the eager look for that "big, all-location, hot piece" that will set the year, Shulman stated. "We repair country ablaze with new interest as did the pool game when introduced last September.

> However, the current trend does not point to any one specific game to lead the field. The swing generally indicates a renewed interest in several.

> Manufacturers disclose they have a number of different types of games on test locations, reporting in each case better than average acceptance by patrons.

Gun games are on the upswing

operated game amusement industry. Interest, too, is rising in shuffle closed the firm has a complete line Biondie to reports across the nation.

manufacturers are in general acspace, does not offer enough com- five ball-line." petition.

introduced (see story elsewhere in play.

But, according to manufacturers, working to produce it. there will be a number of new games on the market within the pany, Bill DeSelm, sales manager next few weeks.

CHICAGO---September should as is play in the five-ball novelty | Alvin Gottlieb, advertising man-Emco Junior reporting he has had excellent be the big month for the coin- field (The Billboard, August 18). ager, D. Gottlieb & Company, dis-Double Header Hot Diggity and bowling type pieces, according of new equipment on test locations **Rotation** Rack that will keep it in production for Break Pool As to golf games (putting skill) the remainder of 1956.

> "Our tests on locations thruout cord that the unit does not lend the country show that all these itself to the location field. They new machines meet with approval," Ohio Judge'S claim it would occupy too much Gottlieb stated. "All are in the

Gottlieb during the latter part Since July only nine new games of July introduced a five-ball pin or conversion models have been game featuring a bowling theme. Genco Manufacturing & Sales this section). Of the nine, five Company, according to Ralph were of the pin-game variety, one Sheffield, director of sales, has had a rifle unit, two pool conversions, remarkable success with its new and a bowler, combining pool game gun game, State Fair Rifle Gallery, and has a 12-hour-per-day shift

> At United Manufacturing Com-(Continued on page 86)

Boston Juke Box Ops Protest Proposed Tax

Mayor John B. Hynes to levy a \$50 protests. annual tax on automatic phonographs brought a storm of protest from members of the coin machine industry and the Massachusetts Music Operators' Association this week.

The attempt to gain more reverate would strike all the way from felt, unconstitutional. night club seats to hospital beds and would be in addition to the tax of \$2 per week by the city. and \$2 by the State for Sunday levy on the week-day operation of a juke box in Boston.

to be held by the city council tion will last out the year for of the industry were also prepar- advance.

BOSTON - A proposal to ing to attend and register their

One industry spokesman pointed out that a tax measure was being made out of license fees, since the city was attempting to lower its tax rate at the expense of the operator. The theory behind any license fee, he said, was simply to cover the cost of administration, nue against the ever-mounting tax and, therefore, this move was, he Leach's entry means that agents

Others who also planned a protest said they believed the operators were already paying more than their share in the present Sunlicense fees. There is currently no day levy. The combined fee of \$4 can either be paid each week or at a flat rate of \$100 by the year. David Baker, president of Most operators use both methods any action. MMOA, said representatives of the of payment, since it is sometimes group would appear at a hearing difficult to figure if a new loca-

| Deluxe | Congre |
|--------|--------|
| Bow | ler |

Shuffle bowler

August

Bally

Emco Regular pool Bally In-line pin Chicago Coin Five-ball pin Williams Five-ball pin Marvel Billiard Rotation pool Marvel Mfg. Co. Rotation pool



COLUMBUS, O. -- Confusion continues to reign in Ohio over the legality of pinball machines. The Ohio State Liquor Department was given authority August 15 to seize free-play pinball machines in taverns and any other permit holders' places.

Franklin County Common Pleas Judge Rogert E. Leach filed a court entry modifying a restraining order issued February 17, 1954. That restraining order prohibited liquor department agents from seizing any pinballs.

Judge Leach's entry is in line with the recent decision by the Ohio Supreme Court which declared that all pinball machines which offered any type of awards including free plays.

Kiener Johnson, assistant Ohio attorney general, said that Judge now will be able to pick up pinball machines which offer free play or any type of awards.

However, State Liquor Director William C. Bryant promptly announced after the entry was made that further study would be required before his department takes

Bryant said that in the light of the study, an "attempt will be made to determine what effective within a few days. Other factions which the fee must be paid in steps are permissable under the latest court order."

Gottlieb Bows Sea Belles, New **Five Pin Game**

CHICAGO --- Sea Belles, D. The firm currently handles such Gottlieb & Company's new twoplayer five-ball pin game is being shipped to distributors this week.

Main target of the game are the double bonus holes located in the center of the playfield. A player scoring in the holes when lighted doubles the scores indicated.

The game also features four mystery light-up pop bumpers for extra high scores, and has three ager, said that present plans call bonus advancing targets. It also for additional personnel on the has two light-up kickers and two flippers.

The game features twin coin chutes, 10 cents for a single game or three games for a quarter.



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KEEP YOUR EYE ON THE EXHIBIT SUPPLY CO.

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Channick Named ISC Sales Mgr. PHILADELPHIA --- Walter

Channick has been promoted to sales manager of the International Scott-Crosse Company here, Abe Witsen, ISC president, announced this week.

Channick has been a salesman with the firm for eight years. ISC is distributor for Rock-Ola, Williams, Bally and Gottlieb.

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NEW ORLEANS -- "Keeping everyone posted" is a time-honored precept of good personnel management and it is one which Lou Boasberg, head of New Orleans Novelty Company, has put to work with good results.

The firm, which is one of the largest pin game operation in the South, employs 50 people. A bulletin board located just inside the entrance of the firm's headquarters keeps them all "posted."

A glassed-in cabinet houses the cork board. It's the "nerve center" of the organization, says Boasberg. On it are posted "goings-on" in company policy, improvements, promotions. Included are letters from suppliers and location owners which contain valuable information for all. It also serves as a suggestion box. All suggestions made to Boasberg which he thinks valuable are posted. News pertaining to em-ployee events is also included.



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really has earned a rest. Dave Friedman, American Operating Company, catching up on his route after being away for a couple of weeks. Another guy that's been away but should be back when this appears in print is Gene Rogers, of E. C. Rogers, Fort Meyers. Gene was up Ohio way. With Gene away, Bill Rogers had to double in harness.

Red Gurkin, of Glades Music Company, Belle Glade, coming to town with Frank Brady, of Crosby Music Company, Pahokee, to make the rounds of the record distributors. Red says he enjoys riding with Frank more than ever, inasmuch as Frank's station wagon is air conditioned. Both Red and Frank report that business is poor up their way and can hardly wait for the fall when business should be back to normal.

Evelyn Diamond, of Diamond Amusement, sporting a new hairdo. On her it looks good. While she is busy filling record requests, hubby Morris busy telling all and sundry how many fish he has been catching lately. Another guy who had himself a ball fishing one day last week was Marvin Turner, of Palm City Music Company, Fort Myers. Marvin hooked into 10 Dolphin, and the he only brought in one, had himself barrel of fun. Ozzie Truppman, of Bush Distributing Company, spending the queerest vacation of all. Ozzie is supposed to be away for a rest, but he manages to come into the office a couple of times a day just to see how things are coming along. Unable to see Ozzie work so hard, Ted Bush, of Bush Distributing Company, off to Havana for a weekend.

Morris Marder, of M. & M. Service, has purchased part of a route rion R. DeWitt, plant manager, anfrom Moe Koeppel, of Magic Music Company. Morris had a close call nounced this week. the other day. Seems he was servicing a machine during a thunder storm and lightning struck the power lines, ran thru the building the next several months, the new and right into the juke box. Net result was a stiff electrical shock for addition will increase the ware-Morris and every coil in the machine burned. . . . Harry Silverman, of house space to 50,000 square feet. Ace Music Company, full of smiles the past week. Harry reports that It is the sixth since operations collections on his games have shown a big increase for the first time started in 1938. in a long time.

Milwaukee

By BENN OLLMAN

OPS RETURN TO WORK. Well on the road to recovery, following a spell of ulcer trouble, Johnny O'Brien, Major Distributing Company topper, is back on the job on a half-day basis at present. . . . Ray Martin, Omro, Wis., operator, motored down early Monday morning to make the round of coin-row equipment and diskery houses.

The list of operators slated to join Harry Jacobs Jr. and Woody Johnson, of United, Inc., on a trek to Buffalo for the Wurlitzer Centennial celebration includes Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Bookmeier, Green Bay; E. R. (Mickey) Green, Wausau; Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Barros, Merrill; Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Beck, Mitchell Novelty Company, Milwaukee; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Miller, Racine; Mr. and Mrs. Leo Konwinski, Iron River, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. Casper Sitig, Racine; Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hastings, Hastings Distributing Company, Milwaukee; Mr. and Mrs. Ken Kulow, Wisconsin Novelty Company, Milwaukee; Mr. and Mrs. Doug Opitz, Hilltop Coin Machine Company, Milwaukee; Mr. and Mrs. Clint Pierce, Brodhead, and Mr. and Mrs. Val Andraes, Oshkosh.

Boston Ops Bar Free Pinball Play

BOSTON-Free games on pinball machines were eliminated last week after what was termed as a friendly meeting between members of the Boston Police Department, the Watch & Ward Society and Attorney Paul Smith, lawyer for the Massachusetts Game Association.

The meeting was the result of complaints by the Watch & Ward and the police. Smith promised to do anything within reason that would permit operators to stay in business.

It was decided that buttons on pinball games, which when pressed erase free games and keep a total of games won and game played, should be removed.

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DARLINGTON, S. C. -- The Dixie Cup Company plant here is building another addition to the factory, the second this year, Ma-

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Coffee vender John Cocking reports he is getting fine results and boosting receipts via a recently begun program of diversification. . . . Herb Wagner and Glenn Geadtke, of the G. & W. Novelty Company in South Milwaukee, made their regular Monday morning pilgrimage to Milwaukee supply firms for their route needs. Opening up of the fall bowling leagues should be a big business booster, they report.



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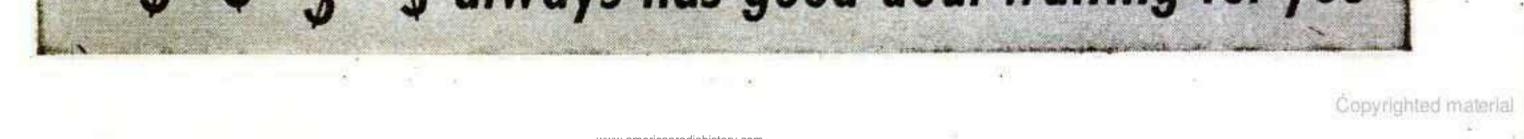
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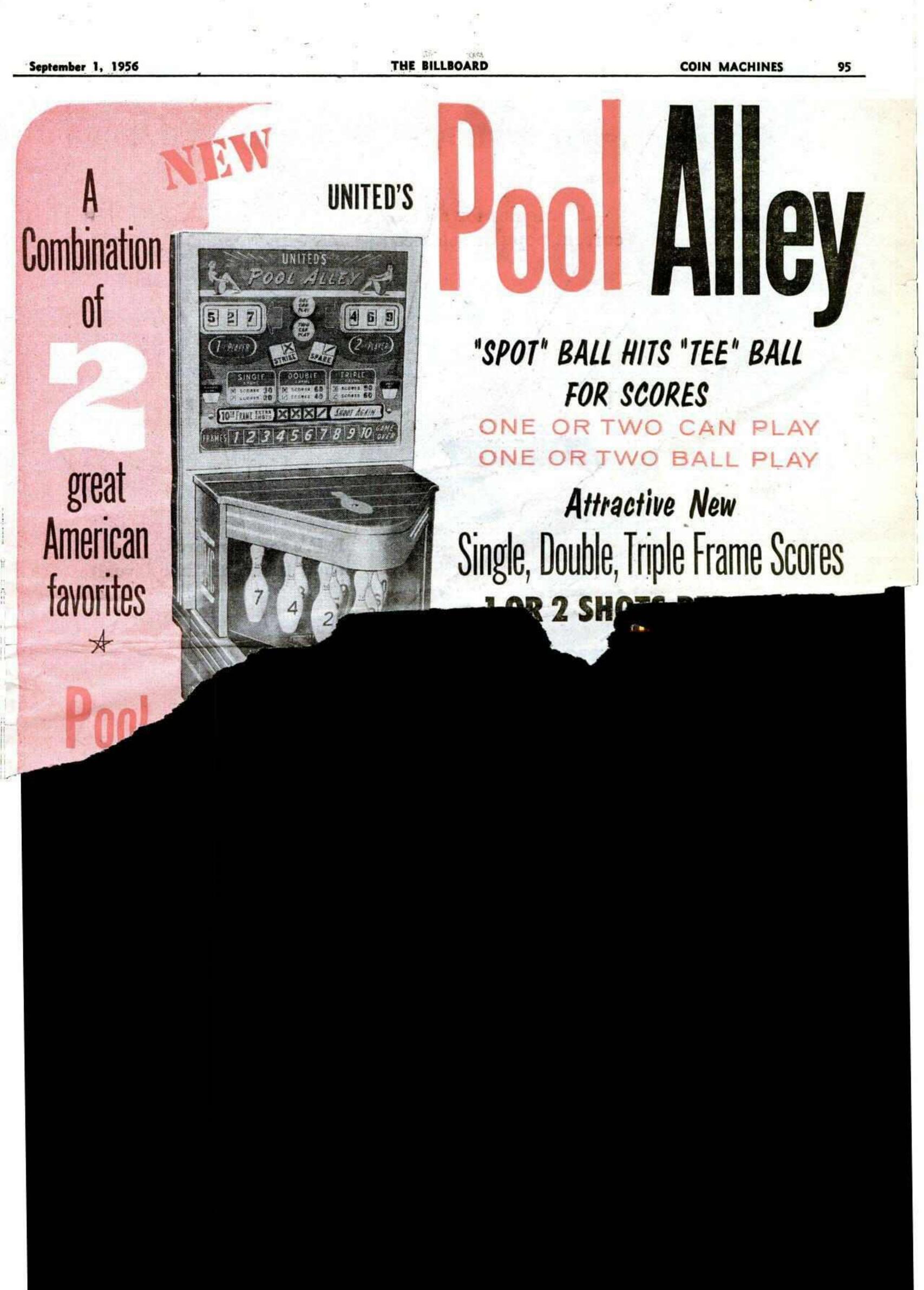
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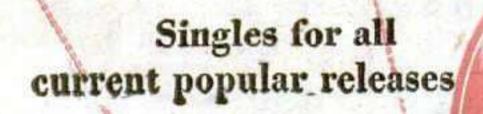














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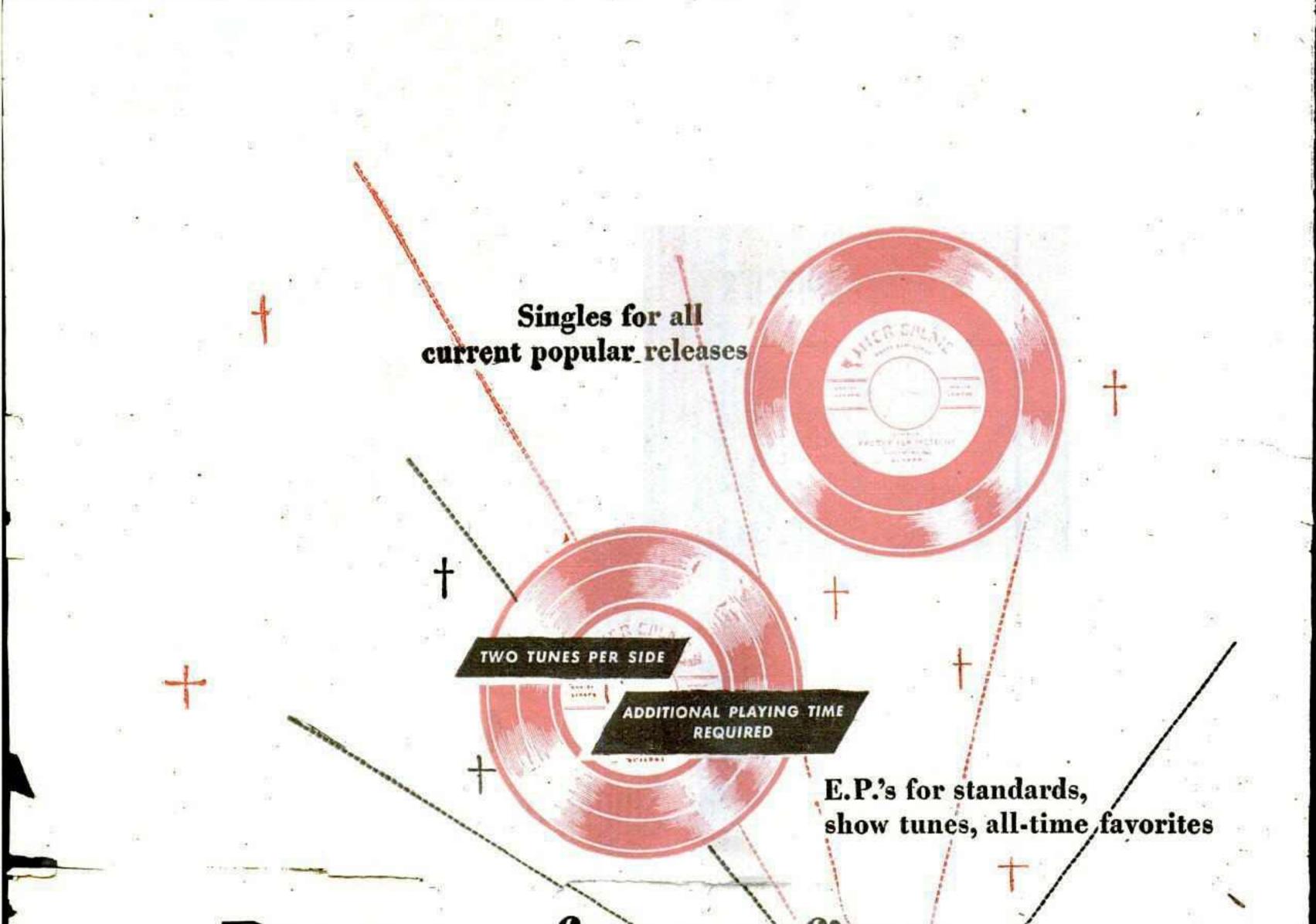
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