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Road to Hitville Still Wide Open

'Hot 100' Emphasis on Wide Variety in Tunes, Types & Origins

By HOWIE COOK

NEW YORK - A scanning of the top 15 tunes on The Billboard's revived it strongly. "It's All in the Hot 100 chart shows numbers of vastly different nature and origin, indicating that the road to Hitville is still a wide open path. Included are rockaballads, rockabillies and it with the same tune. (He had a instrumentals.

"To Know Him Is to Love Him" by the Teddy Bears is adapted from an old gospel, "To Know Jesus Is to Love Jesus." "Tom Dooley" is an almost century-old folk favorite that has been given an exciting new twist by the Kingston Trio, who struck pay dirt with their first disk offering.

"It's Only Make Believe" is a rockaballad, one of the most re-

smooth new treatment accorded the pretty tune by the Platters has Game" has served to bring Tommy Edwards back in a big way. The disk is somewhat unique in that it's the second time that Edwards made hit with it five years ago.)

"I Got a Feeling" on the flip of "Lonesome Town." by Ricky Nelson and "Chantilly Lace" by Big Bopper, a deejay turned warbler, are fast-moving sides. "A Lover's Question" by Clyde McPhatter is his biggest in recent tries.

Some of the tunes are by groups or artists who are happening for the first time; others are by wellestablished disk personalities. Some are by artists who have been

DISKERIES VIE FOR TIE-UP

NEW YORK --- The disk field seemed bent on effecting novel tie-in promotion deals this week, with at least four examples of this aspect of promotion coming immediately to mind.

M-G-M Pictures has blueprinted a joint promotion with Bosco Chocolate Syrup on its new "Tom Thumb" pic. Spots featuring the pic's star, Buss Tamblyn, will be aired on 111 TV shows in 60 cities. A premium disk, featuring Tamblyn singing "Tom Thumb's Tune" will be offered over the air on the tie-up.

United Artists Records has worked out a special promotion stunt with the W. A. Shaeffer Pen Company for its TV cast disking of "The Gift of the Magi," which has a score by Dick Adler. Shaeffer is sponsoring the CBS-TV telecast Tuesday (9). Shaeffer sales personnel are getting slicks of the album cover and the firm's 40,000 retail outlets will promote the album's gift value. On the other hand, United Artists Corporation and Columbia Records are tying up on a \$1,000 sales contest on Vic Damone's waxing of the title tune from the studio's new flick, "Separate Tables." (See separate story this issue.) Columbia Records, meanwhile, continues its successful Carnation Milk tie-in deal offering an EP of Duke Ellington and Mahalia Jackson for 50 cents plus three Carnation Milk labels.

Disk Dealers Burn PROMOT'N DEALS At New Discount **Tactics of Chains**

Sale of Discontinued Items as **Traffic Builders Kills Values**

By REN GREVATT

NEW YORK --- New practices being employed by discount houses, now coming to light, are being savagely attacked by numerous record dealers. Dealers who are most vocal against alleged "grossly unfair tactics" include numerous retailers who are actually discounters in their own right.

Those now bearing the brunt of the assault are large department store types of discount operations which feature records as a sideline and a traffic builder. These are the firms, according to strictly disk and audio equipment dealers, who can afford to actually sell records at a loss just to get people into their stores.

they do that. We have customers who ask for a record on say London or Victor or Columbia. We tell them the price and they laugh at us. They say they can get records from that label from another store a few blocks away for a dollar or more less.

PRICE:

"The truth is that they can't at all. They can get the discontinued items only. But the average customer doesn't know the difference and in many cases doesn't care."

Manufacturers Blamed Other dealers and some distributors have laid the blame at the

corded types of pop tunes this dormant for quite a spell. year. "Beep Beep" was originally a part of the Playmates' night club routine. It's hardly a danceable the current pop favorites list even side, but the kids took to it immedi- further emphasizes the wide range ately.

reaches the top 10 with each new cha cha fad, and the present Hot waxing, is scoring with a two-sided 100 chart includes two versions of hit of contrasting nature. "One "I Want to Be Happy," another Night" is a rhythmic ballad-type. standard in cha cha tempo and "I Got Stung" is in the rockabilly "Tea for Two Cha Cha," still anvein.

ers, who are also consistent scorers, is also in the rockabilly groove. "Lonesome Town" by Ricky Nelson is a change in type of material of its many in the past few years. for the singer. Nelson, who's had a string of hits this year, is registering strongly with a somber ballad-with-beat.

Swing Throwback

"Topsy II" is direct from the swing era, and the success of Cozy Cole's hit has paved the way for several other swing-styled instrumentals which are climbing up the arts. "Queen of the Hop" by Abby Darin is a real rocker.

"Smoke Gets in Your Eyes" has long been a standard, but the

Foreign Wax **On Upbeat**

NEW YORK--There have been many more hits by foreign writers this year than in several past seasons. Several of the biggest tunes this year were either imports or cleffed by foreign composers.

Domenico Modugno, an Italian, cleffed "Volare." "Patricia" was penned by Perez Prado of Cuba. "Why Don't They Understand" was written by Jack Fishman and joe Henderson of Great Britain. Michele Galdiere and P. C. Redi of Milan, Italy, had several waxings of their international standard, "Non Dimenticar," this year. "The Day the Rains Came" is the product of two French writers, Sigmund and Becaud.

Wide Range

A further scanning of some of and differences between the types Elvis Presley, who invariably of hit tunes. "Patricia" renewed the other evergreen that has been given "Problems" by the Everly Broth- new life via a Latin approach.

"That Old Black Magic," originally introduced as a beguine, is undergoing a current revival-one For a long while it was associated with Billy Daniels. Sinatra gave it a compelling treatment a few sea-

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Dealers Burned Up

One practice in particular is being singled out for the bitterest of barbs. This involves the advertising of LP's from major companies be used for premium purposes only. at "suicidaily" low prices like \$1.98, \$1.49 and even 99 cents. What burns many dealers is the fact that upon inspection these records turn out to be discontinued items from the various labels in question. Sam Goody, himself a "What the record manufacturers noted discounter, said this week: "This situation is getting completely ridiculous. They are simply destroying the value of an established and respected line when

door of the manufacturer. One observer stated: "The record companies can't bring themselves to take the records out of circulation. So they take whatever they can get by selling them off to the graveyard boys for a ridiculously low price. In many cases these are sold with the understanding that they'll The fact is that the graveyard operators in turn sell them off to these cut-throat discounters at a few cents profit each."

Another dealer pointed out an ironical element of the situation. haven't stopped to think about is how these records can come back to haunt them. It's no secret that a lot of dealers would buy off this kind of stuff from those swinging gravevard lads for the kind of prices they offer. Then the dealer having paid, let's say, a dollar or maybe less for a 12-inch LP will eventually send it back on his 100 per cent exchange deal, and get (Continued on page 6)

NEWS OF THE WEEK

SORD Suggests New Ground Rules For Coexistence of Stores, Clubs . . .

The Society of Record Dealers of America has outlined suggested steps for the guidance of record companies in making disk clubs compatible with regard to dealer operations. SORD suggests disks be withheld from club offers till dealers have had a chance to milk them of greatest potential..... Page 2

AFM's Band Contest in Full Swing With Finals Slated Easter Week . . .

American Federation of Musicians' band contest is in full swing. Ten regions set up, covering United States, Canada and Puerto Rico, for regional contests. Finals to be held approximately Easter Week in New York. Many facets of record and music industry co-operate.

Big Pop Disk Hits Followed By Increasing Number of Bombs . . .

Startling aspect of pop singles record business is the inability of many artists this year to follow up a smash hit with even a so-so seller. The road to obscurity often follows a big disk hit..... Page 2

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Buyers Sit on Pocketbooks?

NEW YORK --- Dealers have agreed almost universally lately that something has gone wrong with the business. There has been little accord, however, on the reasons why this has been so. Now, various retailers in markets deeply afflicted by discounting have come up with a new explanation.

"The low prices are scaring them away," said one merchant, reached for comment this week. "The discounting situation here has reached the point where people are getting downright greedy-greedy for more savings. They go into a store today and find they can get a record for \$1.98. If they wait a day or a week, they figure they can get it for 49 cents or maybe even a quarter. Who knows where this crazy mess will end?"



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The Bigger the Pop Hit The Tougher the Follow-Up

By BOB ROLONTZ

NEW YORK - One of the most startling aspects of the current pop singles business has been the inability of many artists this year to follow up a smash number one hit with even a tepid hit on their next release. In fact, some artists have found that the road to semi-obscurity is quicker after a million seller than after a flop release.

In 1958 Laurie London went back to his native England after

Epic Names Schicke Nat'l Sales Head

NEW YORK--Charlie Schicke has been named national sales manager of Epic and Okeh Records. Appointment was made by Al Schulman, general manager of Epic and Okeh. Schicke succeeds Walt Hayum, who recently resigned from the label to join another firm. Schicke takes over his new duties immediately.

With Epic since 1954, Schicke has held the posts of merchandise manager, director of classical artists and repertoire and sales manager of classical albums. He will be responsible for the development and direction of merchandising programs for Epic and Okeh dis- ary plan for selling records, which psychology to it that never fails. sylvania customers without paying trict sales managers and distrib- seemed so simple to its author utors. Jane Friedman has been appointed to the post of classical artists and repertoire succeeding (Continued on page 6)

release never got off the ground. "The Chipmunk Song." Dominico Modugno, after the hottest hit of the year with "Volare," that as soon as an artist hits the hasn't been able to get back on top he flops on his next release. the charts even tho Jubilee, RCA The Everly Brothers, Pat Boone, Victor and Decca Records all is- Elvis Presley and Rickey Nelson, sued singles by him after his two to name four powers, have all had million smash seller. Sheb Wooley, many number one hits and are who came out of the West to still making smashes. And Tommy record one of the biggest novelties Edwards has come back with a hit of the year, "The Purple People after his "It's All in the Game." Eater," slipped badly on his next But the fact that four or five of release and never even hit the 1958's biggest hit-makers could not charts. Danny and the Juniors follow up their one to two million have a slightly different story to seller with even a medium sized tell. They did come back with seller, is enough to make one ponanother, tho slighter hit, after their der and give a.&r. men gray hairs. smash "At the Hop," but since There is a plausible theory adthat second release they've been a vanced for the one - smash - hit weak act as far as records are con- boys. This is that the kids who cerned. David Seville, who had buy records today have few fa-

with "Witch Doctor," also had built the type of following that trouble getting started again after makes the kids buy their every rehis two million seller. But Seville

his smash hit "He's Got the Whole has gotten back on the winning World in His Hands." His second track with his new hit record of

It is not to be taken for granted

another smash novelty of the year vorites and that few artists have (Continued on page 6)



FLINT, Mich. -- A revolution- sell them alone. There's a certain

SANTA DIGS BELAFONTE

BOSTON - On busy Washington Street here, the Salvation Army Santa Claus is on a new kick. Publisher Johnny Marks' wandering plugger, Doc Berger, passing the spot, tossed in a dollar bill. On his way from one radio station to another, Berger handed Santa a copy of Harry Belafonte's "I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day," a Marks copyright in St. Nicholas Music (ASCAP).

The bewhiskered cat lifted off Bing Crosby's "White Christmas," traditional disk for the Salvation Army streetcorner appeals and substituted the new one. Elated, Berger told The Billboard, "They've been playing it ever since.

Pa. Revenue Dept. Sparks Use - Tax Drive

PHILADELPHIA --- The State Revenue Department announced thru its office here a drive to col- ing distributors with a number of lect the 3 per cent use tax on new merchandising aids to dealers. mail-order purchases from out-of- These include wire floor stands, State firms dealing in books, rec- counter merchandisers and cardords, cigars, appliances and novelty board floor stands, plus window items.

Department officials said the drive is aimed particularly at the phonograph record clubs which regularly ship these items to Penn-

Somerset, S-F **Double Sales Over 1957**

NEW YORK - Joe Martin, vee pee and national sales chief for Miller International, stated this week that the sales of Somerset and Stereo-Fidelity Records for the first 10 months of 1958 were more than double the sales of the Somerset label for all of 1957. Somerset is Miller's monaural label, Stereo -Fidelity the newer stereo diskery.

Sales chief Martin noted that sales of the label's disks were going so well that Miller International was pressing at outside plants in addition to its own plant in Media, Pa. Miller International is selling its platters to a number of phonograph manufacturer distributors for demonstration purposes in addition to sales to regular record distributors. Phono distributors ordering the label's product are Webcor, Motorola, Westinghouse, Sylvania, Olympic, V-M, Philco, Dynavox and Sonic.

Martin said that stereo sales were the big boost for the label during 1958. He claimed that Miller International was selling stereo disks at a three-to-one ratio over monaural platters. Firm is supplydisplay material.

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Am-Par's Hat In Stereo **Singles Ring**

NEW YORK - ABC - Paramount Records has jumped into the single stereo record market with the release of eight stereo singles and one stereo EP. Stereo singles were released as a result of a survey ordered by ABC-Paramount head Sam Clark, and carried out by sales chief Larry Newton. Results of their survey was that stereo juke boxes are ready for regular releases of stereo singles right now.

The firm is releasing stereo singles featuring Eydie Gorme, Teddy Randazzo, the DeCastro Sisters, ords were both the means and the Paul Anka, Ferrante and Teicher end. "In other words," said Stolar, and the Keyman. Disks contain the artists latest releases or are of women by playing the records, from their new albums. The stereo then we sell them the records. And EP contains four sides by Eydie the beauty of it is that people will Gorme from her best selling al- buy far more when they are in a bums.

cago. Organizers of the firm are brothers Irving and Robert Stolar. Irving Stolar, who is the kingpin behind the operation, has been successfully engaged in the auto accessory business and readily admits that "at this point I hardly know that a lot of record dealers would mail order shipments run into many one record from another."

Party Plan Gimmick

The basic idea for the operation is the well-known Party Plan selling scheme, widely used in the housewares field. In fact, the idea emanated from Robert Stolar who operates in that very field here in housewares and toys. Stolar's problem was to level out the selling curve from what had developed into largely a pre-Christmas business. The record idea was the result, a brainchild of Irving Stolar.

The latter described the idea as NEW YORK — BMI will pre-sent Awards of Achievement to 91 writers and 55 music publishers for the success of 57 pop song hits ety Yak," "Little Star," "Love Is particularly interesting since rec-"we entertain the assembled party during the past 12 months. The All We Need," "My True Love," Awards are to be presented at the "One Summer Night," "Get a Job," group, than if you were trying to

ords. We can clear up their ques- vidual customers as well. tions at one demonstration in a way

BMI AWARDS

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To Honor Winners

At Annual Dinner

annual BMI dinner at the Hotel "At the Hop," "Oh Julie," "All I

Pierre, New York on Tuesday, De- Have to Do Is Dream," "Bird Dog,'

"Actually, our idea is a blend of the State tax. Book and record that "we figured it couldn't possi- the party plan and methods used club suppliers will be asked to bly work or somebody else would by food freezer plans. In the latter register with the State Revenue have tried it first," has been under- case, a piece of equipment is sold Department if they ship into this taken by Library of Records, Inc., on the basis of time payments. State and to collect the tax for operating out of this city and Chi- Then they get monthly service on the State. While a few record frozen food or, in our case, records. clubs have refused to do so. De-"We feel that this is a fantastic partment officials revealed they are way of introducing stereo. We studying possible legal steps to demonstrate it for them right in the require registration. Drive will living room, with the newest rec- also include going after the indi-

State officials point out that the never have the time nor the inclina- millions and represent unfair prac-(Continued on page 14)

tiny," "Swinging Shepard Blues,'

"Patricia," "Why Don't They Un-derstand."

It is worth pointing out that the

NEW YORK--The Senate

hearings now being held in

Washington by the Senate

Select Committee on Improp-

er Activities in the Manage-

ment or Labor Field on the coin and juke box industries

are carried in full in The Billboard's coin machine section.

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to BMI over the past 12 months are: "Lonesome Town," "Rebel

cember 9. The writers and pub-lishers came from 16 States as well as Canada, Great Britain and Italy. The list of top tunes according "Sugar Moon," "You Are My Des-The list of top tunes according



Rouser," "It's Only Make Believe," "One Night," "Twenty Six Miles,"

"Big Man," "Jennie Lee," "Do You Want to Dance," "Western Mov-

ies," "Endless Sleep," "Tequila," "Poor Little Fool," "To Know Him Is to Love Him," "Rockin' Robin,"

Philco Bids for Own Air Stereo

WASHINGTON --- The Philco Corporation has asked the Federal Communications Commission to set up compatible standards for AM stereo broadcasting. The company wants a chance to demonstrate its own system for AM stereo in field tests authorized by the FCC.

Phileo says its equipment can bring this "exciting new" stereo service to AM broadcasting at modest cost to broadcaster and receiver, and without any interference to monophonic reception.

Phileo owns no AM stations itself, and so would like FCC to permit a co-operative tryout of the Phileo compatible system on an experimental basis with an existing AM station. Philco says the double sideband characteristic of the AM signal makes stereo broadcast practical on the service.

Grand Award **Doubles Sales;** Cites Stereo

NEW YORK --- Grand Award Records said this week that the firm had doubled its sales over 1957 in the first 10 months of 1958. Grand Award prexy Enoch Light attributed the great sales increase on the part of Grand Award to the advent of the stereo disk. According to Light, well over 25 per cent of all Grand Award sales are stereo records and the percentage is rising each month.

ERTEGUN SWAPS ROAR FOR PURR

NEW YORK --- Neshui Ertegun, widely known lecturer, writer, bon vivant and jazz a &r. man for Atlantic Records, has traded his beloved like-new Jaguar for a like-new Rolls Royce. And that is the way a legend ends, not with the roar of the Jaguar exhaust but with the soft purr of the Rolls engine.

BUYERS PLAY String Along With Mitch'

CLEVELAND --- An LP was selling like a single here, as the result of a three-way promotion by deejay Bill Randle, WERE; Mitch Miller and one of Randle's sponsors, Higbee's, Cleveland's largest department store.

When Miller made a special appearance on Randle's Sunday afternoon show (November 30), the jock played all three "Sing Along With Mitch" LP's and listeners were asked to telephone the station for C.O.D. or charge-account or-Children's Home, who sang along Society of Record Dealers of Amer- "If these manufacturers have the with his albums.

At the end of the day, Higbee's about as a result of what SORD have been told." said SORD prexy had chalked up 2,390 telephone called "requests from responsible Charles L. Simmons, "let them orders - an average of nearly 500 authorities in the major companies prove it by not putting any record orders per hour and a total dollar- as to what we can do in the way in the club for at least six months wise of \$8,000. By Tuesday after- of policy which will benefit the to one year, until the dealer has noon. Higbee's had another 1,000 dealers'. Miller LP's as "a direct result of the promotion."

Pennsy Dealers Set

For Cut-Rate Fight

PHILADELPHIA -- With Sam in the Eastern Pennsylvania area.

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PITCH FOR LIVE MUSIC

AFM 'New-Band-of-Year' Project In Full Swing; Local Briefed

swing. The AFM has set up a Live string instrumentalists.

Music Promotions Committee in country with promotion and or-Eastertime, 1959.

Object of the top band of the order to spur their progress in this year search is to help promote live regard the Federation is sending there are sample radio scripts, music and the revival of the dance out a kit titled "Information and band business. In addition to the Service Kit for the Best New Band

NEW YORK--The Band Con- search for the top band the Feder- of 1959 and the Congress of test being conducted on a national ation is also working on another Strings." At contains an instruction scale by the American Federation project called the Congress of booklet on how to organize at the of Musicians to find the top new Strings, which will provide scholar- community level, with all the basic ork of the year is now in full ship instruction for talented young steps to follow on this live music

New York to help locals across the as best will emerge via regional jects," "Form Your Advisory Comauditions topped by a playoff at ganization ideas, and Decca Rec- Eastertime, the key to the success ords has okayed recording the win- of the band contest will be the ning band after it is chosen about activity of the locals of the AFM in discovering new local orks. In

SORD Calls for New Curbs on Disk Clubs

Query Major Diskeries on Reforms to Give Independent Dealer Even Break

DALLAS -- New ground rules utacturers who are operating ders of the albums. During the for the operation of record clubs clubs at prices to the consumer hand must be held on or before show. Miller conducted a group of without damage to the independent comparable to prices paid for the 50 youngsters from Paramadale retailer, have been called for by the merchandise by dealers."

ica. The pronunciamento came good of the dealer at heart as we had a chance to milk that record

for all that it is worth. Also, let

promotion. The booklet includes Since the band to be selected headings titled "Know Your Pro-

mittees," "Inform Your Public," "Complete Your Search." "Select Your Best Band of the Year." "Solect Your Congress of Strings Winners.

With the instruction booklet background material for editorial writers, a suggested letter to enlist members for the local advisory committee, a list of the criteria for accepting entrants, official contest entry blanks, and finally, official contest judging blanks. In the criteria for accepting entrants thece is a note that "established dance bands which customarily travel coast-to-coast and which in the

opinion of the committee are socalled 'name' bands are excluded." The deadline for accepting aplications for the best band contest is January 15. The community contest to determine the winning local

February 7. The information and service kit also contains a letter from AFM prexy Herman Kenin, whose baby the live music project is. In this letter he urges every local to give immediate consideration to the contest and start participating. He notes that "Like every other product or service offered for sale, live music must be promoted in the marketplace of public appreciation and acceptance.... Our success will depend on the grass roots ef-(Continued on page 6)

MUSIC

Light now has a hot single on The Billboard's "Hot 100" chart, the cha-cha version of "I Want to Be Happy." played by Light and His Light Brigade Ork. He also has an album out titled "I Want to Be Happy" which is doing well.

Disk Stars Lure Teens

ALLENTOWN, Pa .--- The Hess Goody invading the local record The plan is to literally bombard Bothers' Department Store here mart on the heels of heavy record the U.S. Congressmen representhas decided to institute a policy of discounting on the part of Kor- ing their respective districts with personal appearances of nationally vette's. Bargain City, U. S. A., letters urging the passage of Fair known record artists to help draw Peerless Store, the five-and-dimes Trade bills to protect their busiteens and their parents. Tests were and the department stores vying for ness. The Association represents turing Jimmy Clayton, Tommy Ed- Association of Record Dealers of in the State. wards and the Nu Tornados. All Pennsylvania will launch an allpresident of the store. Gene Kaye, next session of U. S. Congress. shows. Hess said that free shows tailers group, said that the camfor teens, featuring top record stars paign will be in the form of a letand groups, will be a regular fea- ter-writing crusade to be carried ture through the coming year.

The Society directed its answers

the manufacturers lower the cost to these queries to "the three manto the dealer of every record added

to the club so the dealer can sell that merchandise at a fair profit and compete in price with the club.

"We have been told by one of the majors who operates a record elub," Simmons continued, "that with proper control clubs can be of definite benefit to the independent dealer. No dealer in his right mind

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Mathis Knocks

three of the acts pulled huge out legislative campaign for the mediate legislative relief, Jolles re- flock of new box office records crowds, according to Max Hess, passage of Fair Trade bills in the vealed that of the 40 record stores wherever he played in Australia on mostly in local neighborhoods and his recent two week trip to this WHOL deejay here, emseed the Jack Jolles, president of the re- in small towns, that have folded- country. According to Bill Watson, 30 of them folded since the be- managing director of Headliner's, Ltd., who booked the tour in both Melbourne and Sydney, more than "The discount houses and the 5,000 fans stood in line to get in record clubs are selling records at at every performance of the singer cost and even less." Jolles declared, at concert halls in both cities. "The little fellow doesn't stand a Police reserves had to be called chance. The only thing that could out to maintain order. Mathis save us would be a Fair Trade gross in this city for one week relaw. That came up for renewal portedly passed the \$250,000 in Congress and they let it die." - mark. The rapid spread of the big-

time, price-slashing, heavily addoom for many of the smaller deal- Garner Holds nesses that were worth \$20,000 as SRO Pattern

NEW YORK --- Erroll Garner

sales; George Avakian, in charge of However, Jol'es declared that University of Vermont in Burling- had been a sales rep at CRDC's -Conclave will provide the initial eastern artist-repertoire; operations the association membership isn't ton. Vt., and with a huge crowd at Minneapolis branch. opportunity for the new firm's ex- manager Irving Iserson; his assist- sitting by until such relief comes his Hartford concert last Saturecs to discuss policies, new product ant. Monroe Glasberg; Peter from federal legislation. The as- day (6). He is also sold clean for operations manager of CRDC's and plaus with all its sales reps at Sutro, administrative assistant to sociation has named the Harry his concert with the Manchester Buffalo branch. He moves from a single meeting. It will also allow Hal Cook: manager of promotion Bortnick Advertising Agency as its Jazz Society in Manchester, N. H. the Los Angeles branch where he the newly organized sales distrib services Harry Anger. Headquarter advertising and promotional coun- Garner will lay out of concert served as assistant operations man-

Oberstein to Debut \$2.49 Stereo Line

NEW YORK --- Eli Oberstein will bring out next week a line of stereo records to list for \$2.49 each. The records are the Rondo-lette stereo disks, companion records to Oberstein's \$1.98 Rondo-lette monaural line. According to the colorful a.&r. exec. the Bondo-lette stereo items will be packaged in a polyethylene bag and will have four-color covers.

The disks are being released to be marketed in food, drug and variety chains and as a special promotion line for department stores and record shops Initial stereo telease consists of 10 albums, including show scores, Latin music, semiclassical items, waltzes, jazz concert music, classical and special sound effect LP's. Oberstein also vends another line, Rondo Records, which lists monaural disks at \$3.98 and stereo LP's at \$4.98.

CRDC Shuffles **Branch Execs**

HOLLYWOOD --- Marvin Sanderson was named Capitol Records at his December 2 concert at the Moines branch sales manager. He

Donald La Benda was appointed dates now until February He ager since September. Prior to will play one out-of-season date joining Cap's ranks, he was an ad-

WB Brass Skeds First **Overall District Meet**

HOLLYWOOD --- Warner dinner and entertainment for the Bros. Records will hold its first wind-up of the sessions. meeting of distributors here on December 19. The new label will bring to the coast all of its 32 ing will be attended by the label's distribe and their sales managers five district sales managers, its he declared. "There doesn't seem continued his winning ways this plus its own eastern exec forces. field promotion men and its New to be much we can do about it month on the Sol Hurok concert All-day sessions will be held at the York exec staff. Latter will include unless we can get a Fair Trade circuit with a 2,400 sellout crowd Distributing Corporation's Der label's headquarters on the Warner Hal Cook, veepee in charge of Law." lot in Burbank.

force to get its first glimpse of the execs greeting visitors will include sel. label's headquarters.

In addition to the distribs, meet-

on by the 309 key record dealers

presy Jim Conkling, merchandising

ers, Jolles added. "I've seen busirecently as 18 months ago, that are not worth one-tenth of that today,"

ginning of this year.

Little Fellow Sunk

Ambitious Plans

heid at the store in November fea- the record purchaser's dollar, the more than 300 retail record dealers Aussies Dead Pointing to the importance of im- SYDNEY--Johnny Mathis set a



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HOT 100 ADDS 14

NEW YORK - A total of 14 new sides appear for the first time this week on The Billboard's Hot 100 Chart. They are: 57. My Happiness-Connie Francis, M-G-M. 61. Peek-A-Boo-The Cadillacs, Josie. 64. Big Bopper's Wedding-Big Bopper, Mercury. 69. Manhattan Spiritual-Reg Owen Ork, Palette. 80. Come Prima-Tony Dalardo, Mercury. 83. The Diary-Neil Sedaka, RCA Victor. 86. The World Outside-Roger Williams, Kapp. 90. Diamond Ring-Jerry Wallace, Challenge. 91. The Fool and the Angel-Bobby Helms, Decca. 93. I Cried a Tear-La Vern Baker, Atlantic. 94. Stagger Lee-Lloyd Price, ABC-Paramount. 95. Billy Bayou-Jim Reeves, RCA Victor. 98. Dance With the Teacher-The Olympics, Demon. 99. Don't You Know, Yockomo-Huey (Piano) Smith, Ace.

ASCAP-Radio Views **'Hopelessly Apart'**

gress was made this week during a 1950 consent decree. two-day meeting held between of-ficials of the American Society of ment on what might be the next Composers, Authors and Publishers step. It was announced, however, and representative of the All- that the All-Industry Committee Industry Radio License Committee. would caucus here Wednesday The discussions were aimed at de- (10) to discuss its position in light veloping terms of a new radio of the break-off of negotations and licensing agreement for the use of plot its next moves. ASCAP music.

the Radio group, noting that dis- the four major radio networks this cussions had been broken off, as- week. A spokesman for the netserted that "our views were so works indicated that the position hopelessly apart that no useful of ASCAP was not to offer "much purpose would be served by in the way of concessions." He also further meetings."

lowering of the commercial fee, when queried as to the networks' elimination of the sustaining fee, demands in the talks. These meetthe granting of substantial talent ings, however, have not been deductions, and a per-program li- broken off. The spokesman opined cense which would enable stations that "We at the network are going to make a genuine economic choice to have to go into further analysis between a blanket and a per-pro- of our own status. I expect it will gram license. ASCAP took the postion that it and set up another meeting." would make no financial concessions and that if the industry desired a rate reduction it would have to seek it in proceedings brought

NEW YORK-Virtually no pro- in accordance with the ASCAP

Meanwhile, meeting also took Robert T. Mason, chairman of place between ASCAP and reps of indicated that "we're certainly not The Committee had sought a asking them to increase the rates,"

NAB PROJECTS 'BROADCAST HALL OF FAME'

WASHINGTON-A Broadcast Hall of Fame, to acquaint the public with the "dramatic history of broad-casting in the U. S." is the goal of National Association of Broadcasters. An advisory committee of NAB last week (2) voted to raise a minimum of \$10,000 in "seed money" to get the project rolling.

The plans to honor radio and TV pioneers will include a museum and a library to preserve historic broadcasting material. The Hall of Fame will eventually become an allindustry project, but NAB is co-ordinating the starting activities.

John F. Patt, WJR, Detroit, chairman of the special advisory committee, said contributions are welcome from all interested to launch this project "which can mean so much to broadcasters and the public."

Other members of the committee, pioneers with a total service of 166 years in broadcasting, include: Joseph Baudino, WBC; Merril Lindsay, WSOY, Decatur, Ill.; Paul Morency, WTIC, Hartford, Conn., and Fred Weber, WSTV, Steubenville, O.

Donaldson **Firm Sues BVC Music**

NIGHT CLUB-VAUDE REVIEWS

Rodgers Saga Charms at Pierre

A musical evening which captures a segment of the glory of the American musical theater is being served up at the Cotillion Room of the Hotel Pierre. New show, "An Evening With Richard Rodgers," debuted Tuesday (2) to a packed house and was an all-out success. Mimi Benzell, of operatic fame; Wilbur Evans, who played the London lead in "South Pacific" for two years, and Bill Tabbert, the original Joe Cable of the Broadway "South Pacific," delivered solo and medley vocals from the Rodgers repertoire-going back to the composer's shows with Lorenz Hart as well as his later work with Oscar Hammerstein II. The performances were loaded with charm.

Adding measurably to the quality of the evening was the narrative written by David Gregory, which, without obtruding on the music, gave continuity to the Rodgers saga. This production concept of Stanley Melba's would seem a bright idea in that the format makes possible-sans expensive production-the revival of some of the brightest periods of musical Americana.

Paul Ackerman.

OPERA-CONCERT REVIEWS

Bucci Operas Cue Wax Potential

Fast rising classical composer Mark Bucci has a virtuoso field day at the Theater Marquee in New York where his three short operas are being presented under the title "Triad." He gets a chance to show off his deft composing style, which is in the modern classical idiom, with opera buffa ("The Dress") a dramatic effort ("Tale for a Deaf Ear") and what might be called opera spoofa ("Sweet Betsy From Pike") which gives him a chance to effectively spoof Western legend. This last is undoubtedly Bucci's most interesting and at times brilliant short opera of the three.

Bucci's music is well served by the cast assembled to sing his works at the small off Broadway theater. Perhaps the most impressive performer in the cast is Anita Darian, who in her performance as "Sweet Betsy," displays not only a lovely voice but a wonderful comedy sense. Muriel Birkhead, Bruce McKay, Dan Resin and Travis Hudson also come over strongly. All in all it's a most enjoybale evening of music, and it should have a long and successful run. It might pay a record label to wax the three operas as well, since they would just fit an LP record.

Bob Rolontz.

New Corelli By Vanguard

NEW YORK --- Vanguard Records is issuing a specially priced Corelli album on its Bach Guild label this week. Set contains the 12 "Concerti Grossi" of Corelli on three LP's. The monaural version will sell for \$9.96 and the stereo version for \$11.90. This is the price the label usually charges for its two disk sets. The Vanguard release will feature Denis Matthews, the British pianist playing Schubert's "Trout" quintet with the Vienna Konzerthaus Quartet.

MIKE-TRAINED LAWMAKERS

HARTFORD, Conn. ---Radio announcers, with their resonant voices, seem to be cornering the coveted post of Speaker in the Connecticut House of Representatives.

First to hold the honor was State Rep. Nelson C. L. Brown, who, while chief announcer for Station WNLC, New London, was named House Speaker of the 1957 Legislature.

The second broadcasting representative to be similarly honored is William J. O'Brien, co-owner and announcer at WCNX, Middletown.

The two men, meeting at State Capitol, got to commenting on the development. Quipped Speaker Brown: "It used to be that a House Speaker had to be a Yale man. Now, it appears that radio announcbe up to us to get back to ASCAP

Navara Tune Suit Gets Day in Court

NEW YORK - A \$1,000,000 suit, lodged several years ago by Leon Navara, a cleffer and musician, claiming "song piracy" against M. Witmark Music, Warner Bros. Pictures, Ned Washington and Dmitri Tiomkin, came to trial here this week before a jury and Justiee Thomas Aurelio of the State Supreme Court. The suit involves the song "The High and the Mighty." Navara claims that in 1949, he wrote a melody with lyrics contributed by Ned Washington to a song called "Enchanted Cello." At the time, he claims, the song was submitted to Witmark but was not accepted, at which time, it is al-



NEW YORK --- "The Intimate Side of Opera," is the title of a new series of 13 half-hour radio programs being made available to stations by Rita Anella, Inc. Each show deals with the intimate sidelights of a specific operatic artist and features various recordings of the performer in different roles. Each program contains a "narration" record and one of the commercial disks of the artist in question, plus a script for cuing in Licia Albanese, Ferruccio Taglia- Hunter originals. vini, Roberta Peters, Leonard Wartoria De Los Angeles, Guiseppe Dot is a single backing "When Your

NEW YORK-A suit involving the renewal rights to eight songs of the late cleffer Walter Donaldson has been filed in U.S. District Court here by Donaldson Publishing Company, against Bregman, Vocco & Cohn Music, Inc. The BVC interests were served this week with the complaint.

The suit alleges that BVC is wrongfully infringing on eight of the Donaldson tunes. Originally, all of the tunes were registered for copyright on May 28, 1928, in the firm of Donaldson, Douglas and Gumple, Inc. This firm changed its name to the BVC tag during the intervening years and now claims (Continued on page 14)

Cap Names Camp To New Exec Slot

HOLLYWOOD --- Robert Camp was named executive staff assistant to J. K. (Mike) Maitland, Capitol Records, Inc.'s newly elected sales merchandising veepee. Camp moves from the post of assistant to director of sales. He joined Capitol Records Distributing Corporation's San Francisco branch 12 years ago as salesman. He became the branch's sales manager in 1951 and was appointed Los Angeles branch manager three years later. In 1955 he was promoted to Western area district sales manager.

Dot Pacts Ivory Joe

HOLLYWOOD --- Dot Records last week signed pianist-vocalistsongwriter Ivory Joe Hunter to a recording pact. Tom Mack, Dot's veepee in charge of albums, is curbands of the vocal disk. The shows rently recording him for an album focus on such artists as Robert Mer- | featuring a large ork background. rill, Jan Peerce, Zinka Milanov, Package will embrace several

Also added to Dot's artists roster ren, Rosa Ponselle, Ezio Pinza, Vic- was the Treniers. First release for Green.

THEATER REVIEWS

'Drum' Debuts for Healthy Run

Respectful reviews from the New York critics greeted the slick new Rodgers and Hammerstein musical, "Flower Drum Song," which is assured of a healthy run without printed superlatives. The 17-song score includes a mild rocker and cha cha, perhaps as a concession to the pop market, and some of Richard Rodgers' prettiest ballading. If the tunes don't break out as singles, it won't be his fault.

Tho most of the principals are weak musically, all click via interpretation and charm, and the Columbia album should sell well and please. Pat Suzuki, whose disk backgkround will give her even more strength than she shows onstage, should be a delight on the LP, belting "Grant Avenue," "I Enjoy Being a Girl" and "Sunday," the last shaping up as a modest hit but with evergreen potential. The comedy gem "Don't Marry Me," sold wonderfully by Larry Blyden, also looks like a natural for frequent TV and nitery play thru the years. Arabella Hong brings warmth to the most commercial of the tunes, "Love Look Away," which is done as a throwaway.

Miyoshi Umeki and Juanita Hall, cast standouts, are confined to plot numbers. The Hammerstein lyrics, like the Bob Hope gags which dot the book and the Empire-harem-sack costumes, are beautifully fashioned, out of key with the locale, but much Bob Bernstein. admired by the audience.

Hefti Vetoes Vocal Wax

NEW YORK-Neal Hefti Music has clamped down on an unlicensed recording of a lyric version of the tune "Li'l Darlin'," as released in Roulette Records' "Sing Along With Basie" album. The tune, cleffed by Hefti, is not the one of a similar title recorded by the Diamonds on Mercury.

The Hefti composition, previcusly recorded by Basie, Steve Allen and Neal Hefti, was intended only as an instrumental and no lyric was authorized or okayed by the publishing firm. Roulette has agreed to remove the song from the album and to do everything possible to notify the trade that the recording with the lyric is not authorized for public performance, according to Hefti attorney Larry

Since there is no authorized

the Copyright law does not apply and that any recording employing an unauthorized lyric would be an infringement of copyright.

8 NEW LABELS JOIN PARADE

NEW YORK --- Eight labels joined the label parade this week. Here are the names and addresses of the newcomers: All Records, Whittier, Calif.; Fax Records, 1018 North Fairfax Avenue, Los Angeles 46, Calif.; Fern Records, 5838 Fern Street, Shreveport, La.; Hobo Records, Box 6305, Shreveport, La.; Jar Records, 211 Anderson Avenue, Joliet, Ill.; Pinky Records, care of M-G-M Records, 1540 Broadway, New York, N. Y.; Marcel Records, 5953 Melrose Avenue, Hollywood 38, Calif.; Whirlwind Records, 158 Piccadilly Street,







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DEALERS BURNED UP

See Menace in New **Discount Tactics**

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something hot and salable in re- started. I don't know what's goturn."

that "the record companies are you are going to see something. hurting dealers by dumping merchandise in this way and they are also in some cases outsmarting likewise become involved in a batthemselves. Part of the whole the of attrition in the New York problem at least could be solved area. Some dealers, again the devery simply if they would over- partment store type discounters, print on a record jacket the words, are said to have been able to lay there would never be any question dozen leading brand diamonds here in anybody's mind. Right now tho, and there. These then become the brother, it's chaotic around here." subject of big ads in the dailies

utors here, asserted that it can hurt \$4.50. a distributor, too. "When one of my labels started dumping albums been particularly hard hit in this like crazy, I couldn't sell any of way, to the point where Walco is them. It really hurt, believe me." attempting to arrive at a satisfac-

Bigger the Hit • Continued from page 2

lease. Thus the kids purchase a longer." Thus Goody was placed their frantic treatment of the Merrecord - no matter who is on it - in the peculiar and unusual posifor the sake of the arrangement, tion of having to meet a lower few swing tunes on the chart, both the tune, the gimmicks or the price from competition. Electro-According to this theory any rec- N. J., maker of Walco products, is Sing," the Benny Goodman favorord with the right combination of now looking for ways and means of ite, and "Intermission Riff" the old the above can catch on and it solving the problem. doesn't matter who sings it or who plays it.

This theory assumes a certain validity, when it is noted that only about a dozen artists, the aforementioned Boonc, Presley, Nelson, and the Everlys, plus Perry Como, Nat Cole, Dean Martin, Patti Page, Connie Francis, the Diamonds, Johnny Mathis, the Chantels and a few more have been able to come up with three or four hits this year. Other hit-makers come up with one or two hits (and these are not always big hits) and then slowly pass out of the picture. All this makes for an interesting and intriguing and nervous sort of singles business.

ing to happen but I'd bet right now Goody, again commenting, said that with the first of the year The carnage will be terrible."

The diamond needle field has discontinued merchandise.' Then their hands on a dozen or two Al Hirsch, of Malverne Distrib- offering the needles at prices like

The Walco line of needles has Another dealer, discussing the tory method of getting a floor for future, opined that "you ain't seen prices. Goody, one of the big nothing yet. The dumping has only Walco dealers here, said he had for a time agreed to hold a price acceptable to the manufacturer. "Then I found they were selling them in Philly for \$3.85 so I said I couldn't hold the line any sound, and lastly for the voice. Voice Company of East Orange, **Pennsy Dealers**

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who was once advertising and promotion manager for Raymond Rosen & Company, local RCA Victor distributors, revealed ambitious plans for the association. All the proceeds of an ad book published by the association, under the direction of Jolles and Syd Myers, executive vice-president, will be used for the preparation and printing of a promotional piece, to be called "L.P. Highlights." It is planned to distribute over 6,000 of such brochures thru the stores of association members.

Plans also call for the staging of a gala dinner dance in May, 1959 at the conclusion of the association's term of office, with the proceeds of such an affair also being utilized for promotional efforts. Co-operative advertising on the part of association members is also contemplated, said Bortnick.

Other officers of the association include Lee Freedman, secretary; David Morlitz, treasurer, with the firm of Ostroff & Lawler serving as legal advisors.

Road to Hitville

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sons ago, and now Louis Prima and Keely Smith have a chart disk with cer-Arlen tune. There are even a waxed by Bernie Lowe and his ork on cameo. One is "Sing, Sing, Stan Kenton hit.

RADIO-TV REVIEWS

'Town' on TV Shows Age Wrinkles

Perhaps it's just that a story of two young calamity janes on the loose in Greenwich Village has a peculiar quality of datedness. At any rate, CBS-TV's two-hour version of "Wonderful Town," Sunday (30) didn't quite come off.

Let it be said that Rosalind Russell as Ruth Sherwood, despite her singing shortcomings, was her usual dynamic self. Her work with Jacquelyn McKeever as Eileen in "Ohio," certainly a good song, was effective. Miss McKeever, who is cute as a button, unfortunately has a voice that at times becomes strident, a fact which showed up in the duet, "It's Love," with Sydney Chaplin. Chaplin, as the newspaper man, was pleasant in the romantic spot with a singing style that was undistinguished.

Miss Russell's wild scene with members of the Brazilian Navy was well-staged and funny and ditto for a scene which found a hapless stag trying to make his way across a crowded night club dance floor. The famous conversation scene backed by the sound of mournful trombones, all of which was a highspot of the stage version was a disappointment on the TV screen.

All performers, it can be said, did their best against an orchestra that at times seemed loud and discordant and a studio audience that insisted on breaking into numbers with applause that was disturbing to home viewers.

It's difficult at best ever to capture on TV that same rapport that a cast effects with an audience in a theater. Couple this with a story that somehow seems a little naive in 1958 and you realize the difficulties faced by "Wonderful Town" on TV.

Ren Grevatt.

Clark Again Demos Powerhouse Pull

Dick Clark's powerhouse pull in the record industry was most apparent on his ABC-TV Saturday night show (29) when three top disk personalities-Pat Boone, Sal Mineo and Bobby Darin-showed up to wish him a happy 29th birthday and take over his emsee chores. Regular guests, lip-syncing to their latest records, included Connie Francis, Frankie Avalon, Danny and the Juniors, and Little Anthony and the Imperials.

Clark was either genuinely surprised or he's a budding John Barrymore. At any rate, the whole thing came off with a nice feeling of festive spontaneity. The airline strike made it necessary for Clark to cancel plans to bring in 50 top-winners in his sponsor's "Name Namesless" contest, but the grand prize winnera pretty, chubby 13-year-old girl-was present, and a petrifiedwith-happiness closeup of her face (while Frankie Avalon serenaded her with "I'll Wait for You") was the most appealing June Bundy. spot on the show.

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Schicke. She was formerly his assistant.

include the hiring of Herb Linsky sales for the label, co-ordinating record promotion and pop artists report to Schicke.

Oldrick Von Seekhamm has been named manager of sales administration for Epic and Okeh Records. He will headquarter in Bridgeport, Conn., at the Columbia Records plant.

Live Music

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forts of our locals. Without their wide and active participation we cannot hope to succeed.'

Obviously the band that wins the best new band contest will have a nation-wide springboard of publicity to capitalize on. With a Decca LP set, the band, if it is one the public digs, will start out with a promotional support such as few bands have experienced during these last few rock and roll years. Probably the last ork to be launched with such fanfare was the Les Elgart on Columbia or the

Party Plan Gimmick on Disks

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tion to do. It's possible, we think, to sell two, three or four stereo sets that way at one meeting. Naturally, the host for the party will get credit toward a set for herself, and it works the same way with records.

'We will work it a little differently than the people in the house- in. We'll use the records not origiwares field tho. We will sign peo- nally sold as the bonus and extra ple up to a kind of membership stuff. plan thru which we will stay in "One thing we hope to do," con-contact with them, have periodic tinued Stolar, "When we get things plan thru which we will stay in offers and will send them newslet- rolling, is to sign people up for ters."

the Mercury Records people at the up for, say, the next six Nat King Housewares Show in New York Cole records or the next three of and told them about the idea, they some other artist. For the most That's their problem. We couldn't swallowed us up. They were so part, we will sell at list prices be-Other new appointments at Epic excited about the plan they would cause we have a high selling cost Patterns of distribution are chang-clude the hiring of Herb Linsky not let us go. We've also sent a with having to train demonstrator- ing all the time in this and in as the promotion manager of field letter to many other record com- salesmen to talk to these groups all business. We honestly believe panies, asking them to sell us. and carry on the program." We have already gotten favorable Stolar said that he would deal business for dealers and distriburelations with the firm's district answers from Joe Kolsky of Rou- only on a direct-to-manufacturer tors. We'll start first in this area sales managers. Linsky, formerly lette, Gene Weiss of Columbia and basis in buying his product. Asked and Detroit and Chicago, then we a field man with RCA Victor, will people at Decca, Atlantic, Crown about the distributor picture, he hope to branch into Toledo, Miland Pickwick.

"We are telling suppliers that all we want is to buy their records on an outright, regular billing basis. We don't want any return or exchange privileges. We say to them, instead, give us your best possible price. Sure we'll get caught with some stuff we'll have to eat. That's where our bonus deals will come

records on an 'in advance' basis. Stolar said that "When we met For instance, we would sign them

asserted, "I don't care about that. | waukee and St. Louis.

COMING NEXT WEEK

The Biggest Hit of 1958

THE BILLBOARD'S TENTH ANNUAL DISK JOCKEY ISSUE

A Spectacular in Print, Wrapping Up The Whole Big Music/Radio Business

Ruth Olay Gets Full Paar Send-Off

Ruth Olay, of Mercury Records, was given the vocal guest spot on the Jack Paar "Tonight" show (3) and was accorded the "new star" introduction which has proved extremely helpful to others in the past.

The network exposure, the big plug given her album, "Olay," and the three offerings sung by the new jazz stylist will undoubtedly whet the appetite of other TV bookers.

Miss Olay, strangely enough, did a much better job on the songs that were not from her album, songs like "New Orleans" and "Easy Living." The former tune, a ballad was afforded fine vocal treatment along with smart backing by Jose Melis and his ork. "Easy Living," however, was her best number. Miss Olay reminds one of Lena Horne and gives the same deep feeling and sincere projection to each tune. More appearances of this type Tom Noonan. could stir up attention.

afford to operate on that basis. that in the long run, we'll increase

Curbs on Clubs

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could possibly believe that statement as of this moment. If the spokesman meant these pretty words, let him and his counterparts operate their clubs without going into unfair competition with dealers, and pull their heads out of the sand long enough to realize that they are forcing their dealers to buy away from their brand name.

Simmons further noted that failure on the part of the manufacturers to co-operate with the dealers in the ways outlined, could later produce a disinclination on the part of the dealers to push allied product from the companies, such as phonogrpahs, radios and TV sets. He pointed out that "these products occupy rather important parts of the over-all merchandising program of each of the offending companies."

"If this challenge goes unanswered," Simmons concluded, "the dealers of America can only assume that the major manufacturers have adopted a dog eat dog policy, completely devoid of any concern whatsoever for the independent record dealers of America. Dealers will be watching closely the poli-





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MOTION PICTURE REVIEWS

British Pic Keys Awe & Suspense

Traditionally, British-made films have had a limited appeal and a limited audience in this country. "A Night to Remember," Rank Organization adaptation of the same Walter Lord book that gave TV one of its own nights to remember, is likely to break thru as the glorious exception.

With Kenneth More heading an enormous cast (there are over 180 speaking parts), Eric Ambler scripting, Roy Baker di-recting, and William MacQuitty producing, "A Night to Remember" tells the story, with awesome reality and suspense, of the sinking of the "unsinkable" liner Titanic, from its gay, holiday start to the blind panics of the ship's final plunge. The superb special effects will probably make the film one of the major word-of-mouth attractions of the movie season.

William Alwyn, British composer, has penned an excellent musical score for "Night," with his sweeping, ominous-sounding title theme being issued in a special promotion wax single by Rank. Interestingly, the flip side is a "rescue" from Ficker Records' "Heroes, Heroines and Mishaps" album, featuring folk singer John Allison's version of "The Titanic." It may give the album a new lease on life. Charles Sinclair.

'Sinbad' Flic Routine But Colorful

Columbia Pictures' Christmas opus, "The 7th Voyage of Sin-bad," is a routine adventure pic made exciting by vivid color and Dynamation, the new animation process which produces here some horrific mammals for the hero to battle.

Its chief appeal being to youngsters, it's doubtful that the soundtrack album will have huge impact, tho Bernard Harrmann's score is melodic and frenetic. Apart from a few gruesome episodes, "Sinbad" sails a flowery Arabian course charted by Kerin Mathews, the handsome star. Kathryn (Mrs. Crosby) Grant is decorative as the princess for whom he does some foolish "bings, while Richard Eyer is a wholesome Genie. A robust theme song for Sinbad's crew could be worked into a strong kiddie single. Bob Bernstein.

RADIO MASS AUDIENCE KNOWS WHAT IT WANTS

By BENN OLLMAN MADISON, Wis. - The mass radio audience is unsophisticated-

Family Radio currently owns and operates KYA, San Francisco; KCBQ, San Diego; KRUX, Phoe-nix; WOKY, Milwaukee, WYDE, Birmingham; WAKE, Atlanta, and WILD, Boston.



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CHRISTMAS



but it seems to know what it wants, Gerald A. Bartell, president of Bartell Family Radio told the State Radio Listeners' League at their annual meeting November 23.

Comparing the radio industry's quest for profits with that of any other business, Bartell said: "The motive which propels most commercial organizations is that of profit. The company should make is moving its order service departmoney for its investors. How does commercial radio and television the company-owned pressery at achieve profits? By the sale of its facilities and talent . . . but mostly by the size of its audiences. When an audience is large, the station prospers; when it shrinks, the station's fortunes tumble. So that commercial programs are created to reach the largest buying audience. Radio and television are not berg said, is that speed in delivery alone in this respect. Legitimate plays, athletic events, concerts, operas, all in a measure stand or he said, develops and wanes so fall upon their degree of public acceptance. The larger the audience, the more the exhibition is worth to its performers-and to its Dorothy Kachinsky, is moving to sponsors. There is no intimation here that size of audience is an evaluation of quality. A burlesque show, properly promoted, and featuring Marilyn Monroe might attract a far greater audience than Judith Anderson in 'Medea,' let's say. Mario Lanza or Liberace would probably get more paying customers than Jussi Bjorling or ords is bringing out two new LP's Artur Rubinstein. The audience is by the Radio Symphonique De a great unsophisticated critic. It Paris conductor, Carlos Surinach, seems to know what it wants.

When advertiser, his advertis- classical market. ing agency or the broadcasting station loses this touch for reaching cial ruin results."

radio field, Bartell spent a num- be available in monaural and steber of years heading up the State reo versions. owned radio station, WHA, "Old-est Station in the Nation." He signed to sponsor a deejay program also was a member of the Univer- over WRCA, here, which is aired sity of Wisconsin speech faculty.

educational, non - profit radio tilla Presents Music From Spain," broadcasting, he has built one of features Montilla waxings of songs

Merc Shifts **Order Service**

CHICAGO - Mercury Records ment from its Chicago offices to Richmond, Ind. The department handles shipping and stock control.

Reason for the move, said Irwin Steinberg, Merc vice-president, is to speed up shipment of hot singles to distributors. A changing characteristic of the industry, Steincan have a decisive effect on hitmaking. Demand for a rising hit, fast today that delays in shipment can be disastrous.

Chief of the department, Mrs. Richmond.

Montilla in **Classic Preem**

NEW YORK --- Montilla Recmarking the label's entry into the

One package features "Malaga Almaria Eritana" by Albaniz, and large groups of people, somebody Rimsky-Korsakoff's "Capriccio Esloses money-and sometimes finan- pagnol"; the other spotlights "El Amor Bruja" by De Falla and "El Prior to entering the commercial Polo" by Albaniz. Both LP's will

from 12:05 to 12:30 p.m. on Sun-Since leaving this bastion of days. The show, tagged, "Mon-

The Singing Sensation of the Broadway Musical "Jamaica"

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TV PLUGS

· Plugged on the Peter Lind Hayes Show. . ABC-TV Network, Dec. 1

Plugged on the Alan Freed Show......WNEW-TV, Dec. 2.





FOLK TALENT & TUNES - By BILL SACHS-

Bill Anderson, a regular on try music is on the upgrade on the WJJC Radio, Commerce, Ga., has Coast," writes Red, "not only on a new release on the Decca label, radio and TV but at dances, as "That's What It's Like to Be Lone- well. Record stores, too, report some" b/w "The Thrill of My increased sales on c.&w. records Life." A note to Buddy Killen at in recent weeks." . . . The Black-Tree Music, Inc., 319 Seventh Ave- wood Brothers Quartet. gospel nue, North, Nashville, will fetch singers, are set this week (7-13) at you a sample. . . . The McCoys, the WRVA Theater, Bichmond, Ronny and Peggy, whose newest Va., and follow with Alexandria, RCA Victor platter is "Full-Grown Va., December 14; Knoxville, Cat" b/w "Throwing Kisses." were Tenn., 27; Lynchburg, Va., 28; guests on "Red River Jamboree," Paris, Tex., November 29, with thon in Washington, December 31. Doyle McCoy and band backing em up. Since their last appearance in Paris, Ronny and Peggy have guested on "Jubilee U.S.A.," "Grand Ole Opry" and "Louisiana Hayride," and managed to squeeze in several appearances at their old stomping ground. "Cowtown Hoedown," Fort Worth.

Tex Zario, president of the new Skyrocket Record Company, Philadelphia, reports that he'll have a release coming up right after the first of the year on Gordon Jennings and Ray Coleman, both of whom formerly recorded for Arcade Records. The Gordon platter will couple "My Sweet Love Ain't Around." written by the late Hank Williams, and "I Saw You Cheatin' Last Night," penned by Zario, Jennings and Lucky Taylor. The Coleman release will carry "Fools Don't Care," written by Coleman, Zario and Jack Howard, with the flip, "Toodle - Oo - Bambo," composed by Bill Haley. Rusty Keefer and Frank Pingatore. Sesac, Inc., New York, is reported working on the recording of 12 numbers by Webb Pierce, with announcement on the release to be made in about two weeks. The Plainsmen Quartet, of WFAA, Dallas, whose gospel songs are heard on the TNT label, were among the headliners on "Red River Jamboree." Paris. Tex., November 29, with Riley Crabtree guesting on the show last Saturday (6). . . . Douglas J. Kershaw, of "Grand Ole Opry's" Rusty and Doug and now doing his stint with Uncle Sam's Army, has been shifted to U. S. A. Gar. (3442, Fort McPherson, Ga., where he's in Special Services. playing with the Circle A Wranglers). Rusty and Doug have a new Hickory release spotting "Let's Do It Anyway" and "It's Too Late." Bass singer Wiley Barkdull appears with them on first tune, with Carolee Cooper Snow on the latter one. Starday has issued two Christmas releases for the country music trade. One, by the Stanley Brothers, couples "Holiday Pickin'," and "Christmas Is Near," and the other has Jim Eanes on "Christmas Doll" b/w "It Won't Seem Like Christmas." . . . The Brown Trio (Jim Edward, Maxine and Bonnie) have just cut a new one for RCA Victor, one that's quite a bit different for them. It's more on the folk side, but still retains the country flavor. Titled "This Time I Would Know." it was written by John D. Laudermilk, songwriter - performer. Flip side is "Beyond the Shadows," written by Maxine's husband, Tommy Russell, Little Rock attorney. On the background, Chet Atkins discards his guitar in favor of a banjo.

Harrisonburg, Va., 29, and a tele-

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Duke Gordon, who records for Blue Ridge Records, has a new release in "Dark Hollow" b/w "You May Be Someone (Where You Come From)." country items on which Luke is backed by hound-dog steel. ... Johnny Case, 11-year-old singer-guitarist on "Red River Jamboree," Paris, Tex., was tagged recently by a WAC talent recruiter for an early appearance on one of the big shows at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio. Johnny has been a "Jamboree" regular for over two years. His brother, Jerry, 15, is electric guitarist on the same show. . . . Bonnie Brown, of the Brown Trio, writes: "At the recent deejay festival in Nashville we were frequently asked if we were going pop. We can't imagine where the idea originated. We have no desire whatsoever to do anything but good country songs. We entered this business as country singers, so why should we change from something we really enjoy doing?" Lefty Frizzell (Columbia) kicks off a 10-day tour of Texas January 19 for Steve Stebbins, of Americana Corporation, Woodland Hills, Calif. December bookings find Lefty at Oxnard, Calif., on the 10th; Rosamond, Calif., 11; Senta Ana, Calif., 16; Pasadena, Calif., 19; Baldwin Park, Calif., 20; Riverside, Calif., 26, and San Jose, Calif., 27. Americana has Cal and Rose Maddox set for Pasadena, Calif., December 12, and Baldwin Park, Calif., on the 13th with Freddie Hart and Lefty Frizzell penciled in for a big New Year's Eve date in the San Francisco Bay area. . . . A new Pee Wee King unit, featuring Redd Stewart, Donnie White, Little Eller Long and Jackie Dee, plus Pee Wee's regular "TV Bandstand" group, are set for the December 12-14 weekend at the Palace Theater, Hamilton. O. Last Saturday (6) King was guest on the 1,000th broadcast of "Grand Ole Opry" from Nashville. Nat Nigberg's "Country America" is now being videotaped each Friday for viewing each Saturday in the same time slot, 7-8 p.m., following Lawrence Welk, over KABC-TV, Los Angeles. This Wednesday (10), Director Don Whitman is taking the entire "Country America" cast to General Hospital, Sawtelle, Calif., to entertain vets at a pre-Christmas party. . . . Kapp Records makes its bow into the country field with Bill Clifton's new release. "Springhill Mine Disaster" b.w. "The Girl I Left in Sunny Tennessee." Phonodisk is handling in Canada. Deejay samples may be obtained by writing Don Pierce, Starday Records prexy, at Box 115, Madison, Tenn. Pierce is also plugging the new Jimmie Skinner release on Mercury, "Dark Hollow" b.w. "Walking My Blues Away." He also has samples available on this one, as well as on George Jones' release,

His health improved. J. E. (Red) Swarr, promoter-agent, has canceled his planned move to Salt Lake City to remain at his Maywood, Calif., headquarters, where



MUSIC AS WRITTEN

-By BOB ROLONTZ-

TITLE CONFUSION AGAIN

There are now two records out on a new tune from Rodgers and Hammerstein's new musical "Flower Drum Song" which has been apprised as a major hit by the New York critics. One recording of the tune by Johnny Mathis on Columbia is "You Are Beautiful." Another recording of the tune by Dick Haymes on Sunbeam is titled "She Is Beautiful." It's the same melody and the reason the lyrics are different is because Sunbeam waxed the tune while the show was in its shake-down state in Boston, where the tune was titled "She Is Beautiful." However, before the show hit New York, R. & H. decided the lyric would sit better as "You Are Beautiful" and that is the version cut by Mathis.

DRINKER GETS TRIPOS AWARD

Henry S. Drinker, founder of the Drinker Library of Choral Music, will receive the second Tripos Award from the American Concert Choir and Choral Foundation for his service to choral music. For 40 years Drinker has administered the choral library, published texts of musical works, while at the same time operating a successful law practice in Philadelphia. The dinner in honor of Drinker will be given at the Harvard Club in New York on December 10 (Wednesday) and guest speakers will include Catharine Drinker Brown, Samuel R. Rosenbaum and William Schuman.

MITCHELL PARISH DOES IT AGAIN

Mitchell Parish, who has a long record of successfully adapting English lyrics to foreign tunes, in addition to writing lyrics for many top American hits, has penned an English lyric to "Senorita Pepita de Cuba," tune now published in the U. S. by Mills Music. Tune was first published in France by Editions Paris Etoile and was composed by **Paul Durnad**. Parish also wrote the English lyrics for Mills Music's "Madamoiselle de Paree," the hit of a few years ago.

UNCLE GEORGE BREAKS IT UP

A generally reliable informant informed us last week that the band that really put 'em on at the annual Ad Man's Jazz Bash held by the Ad Man's Post of the American Legion in New York two weeks ago was the swinging Uncle George Simon aggregation, also euphemistically called the Executive Suite Plus Two. The combo was composed of George Simon, of Bouree Productions on drums, Billy Simon, of the RCA Victor popular record club on tenor, Irv Townsend on clarinet, Bob Morgan on bass, Tony Piano on trumpet (all from Columbia Records), Leighton Guptil, of the American Artists Magazine on piano, and Bernie Meyerson, of Cyrus Sklar Company on guitar. A rising young blues singer, James Rushing, handled the vocals. We are told they were - in their own Kansas City mainstream way - somethin' else! (Group's photo was featured in the New York Herald Tribune the next day.)



LES AND MARY CINCY VISITORS

Les Paul and Mary Ford, together with their manager, Grey Gordon, were guests Tuesday (4) at a luncheon for the local music cult and radio and TV reps at Caproni's, swank Cincinnati eating place, with Art Miller, Cincy Columbia Records manager, and his assistant, Frank Shue, serving as hosts. Some 60 tradesters attended. Les and Mary, with Manager Gordon, flew into Cincinnati from Houston Wednesday afternoon (3) to participate in the opening of a new Pepsi-Cola plant. They headed back to New York Thursday night.

New York

Lead singer of the Rhythm Orchids, Donnie Lanier, has formed his own publishing firm, Lanier Music. Harold Johnson and Lanier's sister Teddie Lanier are execs in the firm.... Sandy Towt has joined Gothan Recording Company of New York as account executive.... Irwin Zuker became the daddy of a wee lass, Lori Brana, last week.... Nine-year-old pianist Eugenie Adamec will perform as soloist with the American Symphony Orchestra of New York at Hunter College here on December 12 (Friday).... A new label is starting in San Augustine, Tex., called Major Records. B. O. Hess is the boss of the outfit and a full artist roster has already been lined up.... Kenny Roberts and his Trio and Muriel Roberts and her Trio open at the Composer in New York on December 11 (Wednesday).

Paul Anka headlines at the Olympia Theater in Paris starting December 17. He will be there for two weeks.... Gretchen Wyler will open at the Roosevelt Hotel in New Orleans on December 11 (Wednesday).... Freddie Mendelsohn is out on the raod promoting his Bow and Arrow releases.... Organist Richard Ellsasser starts a four-month tour wih January concerts in Texas and Oklahoma.... Brooke Records, of Asheboro, N. C., has signed the guitar team of Johnny McDowel and Grady Boles, the Unroe Sisters, Bill Bradley and the Vibrators.... Linda Laurie handles both voices on the novelty recording "Ambrose" on the Glory label.... And speaking of voices, Texas deejay Paul Berlin is the Donald Duck type voice on the new Carlton record of "The Little Space Girl."

Johnny Dee and Joe Flis have started a new label, Milo Records, to be located in Harrison, N. J.... Jill Corey's next features the thrush singing the standard "I Found a New Baby."... The Four Voices will be on the Peter Lind Hayes TV Show over ABC from December 22 thru 26.... Former NBC newscaster and announcer Bob Waldrop is now with WGMS in Washington. He will handle classical live concerts. . . Publisher Eddie Kassner became the father of twins recently and he is feeling quite the man these days. . . . Tommy Mara is now at the Boulevard Club in Queens, N. Y.... Al Lerner has become accompanist and arranger for Roulette's Jimmie Rodgers.... Peggy Lee has signed with the William Morris Agency.... Ernie Young up to New York to attend the BML/Award dinner. He is the head of Nashboro Records.... Stan Kenton and his Ork are now at the Blue Note in Chicago.... Fred Hertz, of Gotham Recording Company, and his former assistant Eve Mayer were married November 30.



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VOX JOX

By JUNE BUNDY

HOP GIMMIX: Carlton Recfits will be frowned on."

Photos may be taken by Polaroid or flash, with deadline set for January 4. The winning teen-ager will receive a portable stereo phono and the 10 runners - up will receive transistor radios. Jocks submitting the winning photo will receive (as a prize) an in-person appearance at his hop by Jack Scott and the Nu Tornados in early January or another mutually convenient date.

MUSIC FOR MAROONED IS-LANDERS: Bud Brees, WPEN, Philadelphia, recently asked his listeners to select "The Five Records I Would Like to Have With Me If I Were Marooned on a Tropical Island." In order of votes polled, the first 15 disks (which will be featured on a special Brees program) were: "The World Outside," "Stardust," "The Day the Rains Came," "The Lord's Prayer," and "It's All in the Game."

CHANGE OF THEME: Charlie ords is plugging a new dance, the Murdock has replaced Kent Burk-Mummers' Strut, in connection hart as program director of with a special deejay promotion WQAM. Miami. Latter exec is on the Nu Tornados' disk of "Phil- setting station ownership plans. adelphia, U. S. A." The label is Murdock will continue his nightly asking jockeys to spotlight rostume 4-7 deejay show. . . . Gene Champarties at their hops, and take pic- berlain, WREN, Topeka, Kan., tures of teen-agers dressed in Mum- who hosts a three-hour afternoon mers' garb. The jocks will then record show, has started a new submit the photo: to Carlton's career as a columnist for the Forbes promotion director Morris Dia- Air Force Base newspaper, Sky mond as entries in a nation-wide Schooner. The column features reccontest. Costumes will be judged ord reviews and notes about the for imagination and "expensive out- entertainment world, and Chamberlain records with "hit potential" for reviews in his column and exposure on his show and at hops.

> New acting program manager for KIRO, Seattle, is Don Brice.... Larry Kane is leaving KXYZ, Houston, December 21, and will announce his new plans early in January. ... Joe McLaine, formerly with WEEU, Reading, Pa., has joined WHOL, Allentown, Pa., in the 1-3 p.m. time slot. Meanwhile, WHOL's program director deejay Bill Camperson has been upped to station man ager status; while Dave Van Sant, WHOL's mid-morning jock, has been appointed program director. He will continue his deejay chores.

Charlie Bryan has moved his nighttime show from WDSU, New Orleans, to WSMB, New Orleans. New morning deejay (6-10 a.m.) at WQAM, Miami, is Bob "Philadelphia, U. S. A.," "Ave Maria," "To Know Him," "Hide-away," "White Christmas," "Jealous Worker, Maria, and Worker, Maani, is book Chase. Other changes in WQAM's schedule are as follows: Bobby Lyrons will have two shows, one Heart," "Forget Me Not," "Tom Dooley," "Mandolins in the Moon-light," "Tea for Two Cha Cha" hour slot and Bob Gaynor will hour slot and Bob Gaynor will emsee an hour afternoon session, plus a new night time show from 7 to 10.

YESTERYEAR'S TOPS-

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

DECEMBER 4, 1948 1. Buttons and Bows 2. On a Slow Boat to China 3. My Darling, My Darling 4. A Tree in the Meadow 5. You Were Only Foolin' 6. Maybe You'll Be There 7. Twelfth Street Rag 8. A Little Bird Told Me 9. My Happiness 10. Hair of Gold, Eyes of Blue

DECEMBER 5, 1953 1. Rags to Riches 2. You, You, You 3. Ebb Tide 4. Vaya Con Dios 5. Ricochet 6. Many Times 7. Eh Cumpari 8. Oh

9. That's Amore

10. Changing Partners

Christmas"; "When the Sun Goes Down" and "Snow Train" by the Jamies, and Earl Bostic's "Rockin' With Richard." . . . New spinner at WFIL, Philadelphia, is Bob Klose, formerly with WKWK-TV, Wheeling, W. Va.

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Gene Weed, formerly with WOAM, Miami, until drafted last May, has been assigned to the Armed Forces Radio and Television service in Hollywood. He has also landed a part - time jockey chore at KFWB, Hollywood, with a weekly Sunday night show from 6 p.m. to midnight. In addition to the KFWB stint, Weed broadcasts six nights a week "to the far ends of the earth on AFRTS," Tuesday thru Saturday, 8 p.m. to 4:30 a.m.

ON THE BEAT

By REN GREVATT

There was a time when the mention of a Christmas record would almost automatically call to mind such a song as "White Christmas," recorded by Bing Crosby. In the r.&m. world, of course, the first thought would have been of the same tune recorded by the Ravens with basso Jimmy Ricks.

Now, however, it seems that the Christmas disks are stemming from more and more outre types of sources and places, such as, for example, Chuck Berry. An interested observor of this unusual and unexpected phenomenon, was Paul Ackerman, veteran and we might say inveterate fan of r.&b. "Apparently," says Ackerman, "this remarkable rock and roller and r.&b. cat, and I might say one who has shown a capacity for poking fun even at the great classical cleffers, as in 'Roll Over Beethoven,' has a clever satirical turn of mind extending even to Father Noel. Berry's soulsatisfying rendition of 'Merry Christmas Baby,' is a fresh and bright concoction of comedy, the Christmas spirit and the blues. It's quite a departure. Man, what a great blues cat he is!"

This writer might add an aside to the Ackerman remarks. It's no secret at all that the Berry record fractured the Billboard review panel. It set them to jumping and shouting and stomping around in their record room like few recent records have done.

But there is also Christmas interest in other segments of the world of the rock. Last year, Elvis Presley, the greatest rocker of them all, himself unusually close to the soil and the down to earth spirit, turned out a fine, slow but rocking Christmas album. Then, too, Decca's Bobby Helms has one of the bigger Christmas single hits in "Jingle Bell Rock," re-issued this year. Also in the r.&r. field Brenda Lee has cut "Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree,' and "Papa Noel," the latter a cajun type song with the feel of "Jambalaya."

But Christmas items stem from other areas as well. This year, for example, we have a typical polka and waltz combination with L'il Wally and His Polka Cats on Jay Jay. This disk pairs "Jingle Bells Polka," with "Sleigh Bells Waltz." Then, as if anybody didn't expect it, the cha cha field is also in the act. And what more likely combination of that rhythm with Christmas material than "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer Cha Cha"? This one is by that noted Latin maestro, Hernando Hopkins, and his cha cha cha band, on ABC-Paramount.

Getting back to the more strictly pop field, we have the fascinating novelty by David (Ross Bagdasarian) Seville

MERC CONTEST WIN-**NERS:** Mercury Records has announced the winning jocks in a "football - picking" contest conducted during the recent country and western deejay convention in Nashville. Entrants were asked to pick winners of various college games that in one way or another could be related to titles of current Merc plug sides. First prize - an expense-paid appearance by the Big Bopper for any promotion or event the jock might choose to sponsor -went to Lou Erck, KSST, Sulphur Springs, Tex. Second prize, a stereo phono, went to Norman Hall, WBNC, Boonville, Ind.; while Jack Darnell, WNVA, Norton, Va., won a TV set, and Hank Lazarone, KDBS, Alexandria, Va., won a transistor radio.

Doug China has joined KONO, San Antonio. . . . Charles Stewart has taken over spinning duties on "The Musical Clock," from 6 to 9 a.m. over KITE, San Antonio. ... James R. Van de Velde has been appointed to the newly created post of supervisor of program production for the Triangle Stations.... Bob Furry, KTAR, Phoenix, Ariz., and frau, are the parents of a new baby girl, Donna Kay, their second daughter.

Sherm Feller has four records com- in the studio will not be permitted ing out on tunes published by his to dance while it is spinning. The Roxbury Music Company-"Whirl- 90-year-old song was originally pool" by Muvva Hubbard (Don written about a Tom Dula, who Costa's maiden name); Jim Backus' killed his sweetheart. Mrs. Coffey's "Why Don't You Go Home for maiden name was Mable Dula.

DOOLEY DANCE OUT: Teenagers attending the "Teen Canteen" dance party on WJRT-TV, Flint, Mich., can't dance to the disk "Tom Dooley" anymore. Mrs. William Coffey, who claims the hero of the song was a half-great uncle of her father, recently registered a protest against the platter being played on the show. The ballad itself is not objectionable, Mrs. Coffey says, but she objects to teen-agers dancing to the song-"in effect, rejoicing." Consequently, station officials have decreed that the tune may be THIS 'N' THAT: Boston deejay played on the show, but teen-agers

on Liberty. This one is called "The Chipmunk Song," by the Chipmunks. Malverne Distributors mahoff, Al Hirsch, tells us this is the biggest record he's had since Frankie Laine's "Mule Train," which was back when Hirsch handled Mercury. "I've got backed up on orders like crazy," said Hirsch. "Our orders for New York now stand at about 130,000. This looks like the first million seller Christmas single in a good long time."

The "Hound Dog" Anniversary show, staged recently by George (Hound Dog) Lorenz at the State Theater, Hartford, featured an all-teen-age six-piece band from Hartford. The acts on the bill, including Connie Francis, Big Bopper, Little Anthony and others praised the band for its job. Now the boys, known as the Moonriders, have cut sides for Candy Records, Hartford label. ... The trade notes with sorrow, the passing of Tiny Bradshaw in Cincinnati, November 28, after a long illness. His biggest disk was "Soft" on the King label.

The great Count Basie band moved back into Birdland Sunday (7) for a stay thru New Year's Eve. ... Atco has put together a fancy rocking album. It's called "Rockin' Together," and it features a flock of top hits by the Coasters, Bobby Darin, Gerry Granahan, Bobby Darin with the Rinky Dinks, King Curtis, Jesee Stone, Guitar Slim, the Chordcats, the Sensations and Hutch Davie.... Specialty Records has resumed release of gospel and spiritual records on a regular basis. The move was prompted, says Mona Lee of Specialty, by heavy public demand. Initial disks are Alex Bradford's "I've Got a Job" and "He's Everything to Me," and the Soul Stirrers with "Until Then," and "Loved **Ones Are Waiting."**

ARTISTS' BIOGRAPHIES FOR JOCKEY PROGRAMMING



D. Staton on Charts With Two Winners

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Dakota Staton, who has the rare distinction of having two albums simultaneously on Billboard's Best Selling Pop LP and Best Selling Jazz LP charts, is a Capitol recording artist.

The waxer of "The Late, Late Show" and "Dynamic" was born in Pittsburgh on June 3, 1931. She started out in a trio with her two sisters, and when they both married, Miss Staton went on to do a solo. The thrush started singing in small clubs while attending high school. After graduating in 1949, she appeared in clubs in Detroit, Cleveland, Toledo and finally New York City. Since then, of course, she's appeared thruout the country.

The jazz artist's favorite fem singers are Sarah Vaughan, Dinah Washington and June Christy. Her hobbies include collecting earrings and costume jewelry, and cooking.



Dee Clark Scores Hit With 'Nobody But You'

Twenty-year-old Dee Clark was born in Blythsville, Ark., but moved to Chicago as a child. Clark's interest in music was stimulated by his mother, who is a spiritual singer.

At 14, he sang with a group called The Hambone Kids and recorded for the Okeh label. One disk, "Hambone," became a hit, and as a result the boy worked in Midwest clubs for five months. In 1955 he joined a local rock and roll group that won first prize in a Chicago talent contest. Windy City deejay Herb Kent heard them and brought them to Vee Jay.

Vee Jay's subsidiaries issued several singles featuring Clark alone, but none really happened until "Nobody But You" on the Abner label. This tune, which Clark penned himself, is his first national hit. He's scheduled to appear on December 20 on Dick Clark's Saturday night show .



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"SWEET LITTLE

ROCK 'n' ROLLER"

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BERRY

chess 1709





Manuti Wins By 5 to 1

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NEW YORK --- The administration slate at Local 802 of the AFM swept all before it as Al Manuti was easily re-elected president of the country's biggest local by more than five to one. Manuti received 4,441 votes for president, Ed McMullen 533 and Murray Stark 285. McMullen and Stark both ran as independents.

In addition to Manuti other officers elected were Al Knopf as veepee, Max Aarons as secretary. All other members of the administration slate were also re-elected.

The campaign was marked by a quietness unusual for 802 elections and indicated a remarkable degree of unanimity on the part of the majority of members. Only a few candidates ran against the administration slate for any post.

NEW IRISH LP'S FOR CHRISTMAS FROM DUBLIN RECORDS

Dublin Records, the company with all the leading Irish entertainers, have just released in time for Christmas a series of new LP's. Heading the list is the famous "Tulla Ceili Band—All-Ireland Champions in Ceili Music," a brand-new long-playing high-fidelity re-cording consisting of 12 instrumental numbers.

Just for some variety there's a new LP entitled "Ireland in Song." the fabulous 12", featuring James O'Neil, Ireland's favorite baritone. It contains the hit songs in Ireland at the present time-"The Boys From the County Armagh" and "The Homes of Donegal," just to name two.

Martin Mulhare, Irish champion accor-dion player, and Paddy Noonan, the wizard on the piano accordion, have both released a series of singles, 45 rpm and 78 rpm, on the Dublin Label.

Back to the LP's again: John O'Neill and

DISK JOCKEY CHECK LIST The following stories which appear in

this issue will be of special interest to disk jockeys:

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UAC-Columbia In Pic-Disk Promot'n Tie

NEW YORK --- United Artists Corporation and Columbia Records are sponsoring a \$1,000 sales - promotion contest on Vie Damone's Columbia waxing of the title tune from "Separate Tables," the forthcoming United Artists film. The flick will have its world premiere here later this month.

The contest, conducted exclusively among Columbia promotion managers, carries three prizes. First prize is \$500 in cash. Second and third prizes of \$300 and \$200, respectively, will also be awarded. Entries are to be submitted no later than January 5, and will be judged in relation to distributor potential and comprehensive promotion presentation including dealer listing, station listings, local publicity, tie-ins, window displays, contests, etc.

Judges of the contest will be co-stars; Harold Hecht, producer

Teen-Agers Brave Snow to Honor Jock

CINCINNATI --- Some 7,000 teenagers from the Greater Cincinnati, Northern Kentucky and Southeastern Indiana areas bucked a record snowfall and frigid weather to converge upon Cincinnati Gardens Sunday afternoon Appreciation Day.

by a host of record personalties Wright, Eddy Cochran, Jackie Dee the Elegants and Kathy Linden.

vented many from attending. A said Black. large delegation from Southeastern Indiana, coming in by chartered bus, were forced to call it off.

Mayor Donald Clancy of Cin- Continued from page 4 cinnati proclaimed the day Bob Braun Appreciation Day and was leged, Washington gave up all but on hand to present Braun with the the lyric rights to the song. official proclamation. Judge Benjamin Schwartz of the Hamilton thereafter, Washington sold the County Juvenile Court lauded song to Warner Bros. and Wayne Burt Lancaster, one of the pic's Braun for his work among juveniles Fellows Productions and that forthin the community. Awards were with, it became the theme of the also made to Braun by various pic, "The High and Mighty." school and civic organizations. event was donated to needy played piano in the courtroom. children charities in the city. It is Judge Aurelio remarked that "This

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TOP LONGHAIR ASOL Sets Service to Music Award

WASHINGTON --- Deadline for nominations for the Distinguished Service to Music Award has been set at January 7, 1959, by the American Symphony Orchestra (30) to participate in a mammoth League. Presentation of the award TV dance party to honor Bob will be made in Phoenix, Ariz., dur-Braun, WLW radio and TV deejay ing the annual American Symphony in what was billed as Bob Braun Orchestra League convention, June 11-13. The League will accept The teenagers were entertained nominations from music critics and writers, musical organizations, who also participated in a special orchestra and talent managers, 90-minute telecast over WLW-T conductors, musicians, composers, from 1-2:30 p.m. Among the publishers, chambers of commerce, record talent on hand were June women's clubs or others interested Valli, Jack Scott, Jerry Vale, Dale in the promotion of serious music. Ralph Black, manager of the Naand Bill Parsons. Neil Sedaka, tional Symphony Orchestra, is

delayed by the airline strike, ar- chairman of the Award Commitrived late Sunday afternoon. Others tee which makes final selections. slated to appear but who failed Committee reserves the right to deto show due to transportation dif- fer selection this year, if nominees ficulties or other reasons were lack sufficient qualifications. The Tommy Edwards, Bobby Freeman, winner of the award need not be a "name" figure, but must have made Some 15,000 tickets, at 50 cents a significant and unique contribueach, were distributed for the tion to music and one that may set event, but snow-blocked roads pre- an example for others to follow,

Navara Tune

Navara further alleges that Earlier in the week, the suit took Some \$3,000 realized from the on colorful overtones as Navara planned to make it an annual event. is the most entertaining time I've had since I've been on the bench." Navara's attorney, Emil K. Ellis, was also expected to take a turn playing the violin during the sessions. Thursday (4) the judge and months was Boudleaux Bryant jury attended a special screening of the movie, "The High and the who wrote or collaborated on four Mighty." Others expected on the hits, "All I Have to Do Is Dream," scene to testify in the case were "Bird Dog," "Devoted to You" and such figures as Rudolf Schram, a "Problems." His closest competitor music professor, Deems Taylor and was Otis Blackwell who wrote or Sigmund Spaeth.

'Opry' Celebrates 1,000th Broadcast

NASHVILLE --- Bert Parks "Bandstand" Friday (5) presented the country music stars of WSM's "Grand Ole Opry" in a special program originating from NBC, New York, and WSM, Nashville, to celebrate the NBC radio net's 1,000th broadcast of "Grand Ole Opry," which was made Saturday (6) over WSM.

"Opry" names participating from Nashville were comedienne Minnie Pearl, Don Gibson, Faron Young, Dottie Dillard, Buddy Hall, the Anita Kerr Singers, the Jordanaires, and guitarist Hank Garland, accompanied by Marvin Hughes and the WSM Orchestra. Emsee on the Nashville end was Dave Overton, WSM announcer.

On the New York end, emsee Parks featured his musical director. Skitch Henderson, and comedienne Dody Goodman.



his Irish Dance Band of All Stars hav a brand-new LP on the market. It just about covers all phases in Irish music: Set Dances, Jigs, Reels, Polkas and Waltzes.

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CHICAGO --- E. A. (Al) Frei-

burger, general manager of Con-

certapes, Inc., has formed his own

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in the future.

Donaldson Sues

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that Donaldson wrote the tunes as "an employee for hire."

The Donaldson Publishing Company, a California firm, has all the rights of Donaldson's two living daughters with respect to the eight involved tunes, claims the suit. Suit asks an injunction against further infringement, an accounting and damages.

Tunes are "Anything You Say," "Because My Baby Don't Mean Maybe Now," "'Cause I'm in Love," "In a Bamboo Garden," "Just Like a Melody Out of the Sky," "Little Miss Okeechobee, Oh Be Mine," "Out of Town Gal" and "When You Said Goodnight (Did You Really Mean Goodbye)." Attorney for the Donaldson interests is Charles Seton.

Pa. Revenue Dept. • Continued from page 2

tices against Pennsylvania vendors of the same, items. It is also the intention of the Revenue Department to ask the Pennsylvania congressional delegation to push for federal legislation requiring mail-order firms to report the

The Prospectus may be obtained from the undersigned and such other dealers or brokers as may lawfully offer these securities in this State.

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his connection with Concertapes altho the distribbery is not concollaborated on three hits, "Breathnected with the firm employing less," "Great Balls of Fire," and him. USACO will have non-ex-"Fever." Top BMI publishers for clusive distribution of Concertapes

and Concert-Discs in greater Chithe year were Acuff-Rose with five cago, and will seek other labels hits. Elvis Presley Music with five, and Peer with three.

December 4, 1958





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DECEMBER 8, 1958

DES MOINES REPORTS **Big Volume Building** After Sluggish Start

By JAMES KEIL

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DES MOINES-Music dealers here generally are satisfied with present stereo phono sales, but feel they have some distance to go to develop its full potential. Three major loop operators say they are planning no special promotion or advertising activity, but are counting on the Christmas shopping season to bring public interest fully awake and increase M. F. Hippen reports that stereo volume.

Selling Itself

Most optimistic at present is Mrs. Roma Kelley, of Younkers, the city's largest department store, who reports present sales running above expectations. She attributes

FOR TRAVELIN'

Zenith Shows Transistor **Clock Radio**

this to the "amazing impact" of stereo on customers and believes it is selling itself. Sales are about equal among all the store's lines-Columbia, Webcor, Decca, VM and RCA. On the basis of present phonograph needle wall chart, phono sales, and stereo record sales also are above expectations, she predicts a snowballing volume between now and Christmas.

At the Des Moines Music House, record sales tripled in October, also foresees a busy Christmas season. Like many Des Moines dealers, the store entered the stereo field cautiously, put no phonos on its floor until August. It carries packages by RCA, Zenith and VM, but specializes in custom installations with components by Craftsman, Fairchild, Scott and Pilot. Inability to secure delivery of component orders, Hippen says, has kept sales below expectations.

Disk Traffic Factor

Frank's Music Room, says phono listed in red. sales are below his expectations . This year Jensen is using the but healthy nevertheless. He feels letter "X" to identify those needles furniture and appliance stores are which have one or more tips cutting into his business. "I could smaller than 1 mil (usually for beat them on unit volume by cut- stereo). Dealers can tell at a glance ting price," he says, "but I'm going whether a stylus is intended for

CHICAGO-Zenith announces to hold to full list. The furniture conventional LP playing or for an all transistor traveling clock stores haven't got records and we stereo. radio, the Royal 850. It is entirely have. Records keep traffic steady battery - powered and light in and I think that's going to keep to Jensen representatives thruout

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

SALES AID Jensen Has Wall Hanger **Stylus Chart**

NEW YORK --- A new 1959 complete with new stereo listings, has been issued by Jensen for its distributors and dealers. The 171/2 by 33-inch chart carries a complete listing of all Jensen needles-diamond, sapphire and durosmium-for every cartridge type. Sales manager Mike Remund suggests retailers hang the chart on the wall in their needle department so they can refer to it conveniently. Drawings of all needles are included, along with a listing of the cartridges they fit, point size, list price and sales rate for sapphire, durosmium and diamond models.

To simplify needle selection further, the two-color chart shows cartridges which take two needles in red; those which take one needle are printed in black. In ad-Orville Marshall, owner of dition, every new Jensen stylus is

EDITORIAL

London, Take a Bow!

NEW YORK-Two weeks ago in this space, we called attention to the apparent inability of advertising people to get the idea of stereo across to the consumer. They seem baffled, we said, in conveying dramatically the idea of what stereo does for the music listener. Most ads we've seen lack impact. Many confuse.

We're happy to report an exception to the rule in a full page ad created by Manhattan Advertising agency for London Records. It ran in the December issue of High Fidelity magazine (page 74) and the December 1 issue of Time (page 3). It's worth your time to look it up if you haven't seen it.

Two thirds of the page is devoted to a picture of a man seated in a concert hall, holding a pillow over one ear. The caption reads, "You wouldn't cover one ear at a concert." The copy in the body of the ad is carefully thought out. It develops the single, uncomplicated idea so vividly captured in the illustration and its caption.

We're sure London wouldn't mind dealers using it in talking to their customers. Honestly, can you think of a simpler, better way of answering the question, "What's stereo?" Listening to music on an "ordinary" phonograph, the customer can be told, is like covering one ear at a concert. It's that simple.

Now, if the rest of the people who write copy for stereo disk and phono accounts can come up with ads like London's, this industry will move forward a lot faster.

Boston Reports Mixed Reaction to Stereo

By CAMERON DEWAR

BOSTON-The sound of stereo phonographs is resounding in a representative number of homes in the metropolitan area here. But as far as dealers are concerned the total volume of sales has not yet played the tune on the cash registers that would cause much dancing in the streets. Most dealers are enthusiastic about stereo and feel it is a step forward. It should ultimately catch on strong with the buying public, if the customers can be educated to accept it. Now, they are a trifle baffled by the publicity put out on the subject and have a feeling that, to some extent, it is just another gimmick. While some dealers found stereo to be slightly above expectations, others were disappointed in its acceptance. This seems to be just about what was expected of it. Only one dealer, Radio Shack on Walco needles, now gives stereo Commonwealth Ave., in the uptown district, found stereo selling above expectations. Bass Electric, a large dealer in the business area, found it to be slightly above what Manufacturers generally mate they had figured. Magee's, in the the .7 mil stereo tip with a 3 mil market district, and a big-volume tip for 78 r.p.m. records. This, dealer found sales to be just about Walco explains, means that most what they expected. But Krey's, with three stores strategically situto play all stereo records, LP's and ated, found the volume of sales to be somewhat disappointing.

tomer to listen and stepped up concentration on stereo demos.

Other dealers felt that a good deal had been said in advertising by the record companies and manufacturers and, if that didn't bring in customers, there was little that the individual dealer could do.

Olympic and Motorola received most acclaim by dealers and are best selling units in the area. Some dealers said the Motorola name was a big attraction plus the fact that the price was acceptable. It also was praised for sound quality and excellent separation. Olympic also received praise for sound quality and one dealer was enthusiastic because of compactness of cabinet, which, he felt, appealed to customers since it took up no more room than an ordinary phonograph.

weight to be tucked away in lug- phono sales steady." gage for out-of-town use as well as carried about the home for clock, mer, handles Columbia, Webcor thruout Central and South Amerradio, and radio alarm service.

imported clock with AM radio in a cabinet that is only 21/2 inches deep. Weight of the instrument, complete with batteries is little now accounting for 25 per cent of more than 234 pounds. The clock never needs winding and runs up to a year on a single, separate 1¹/₂ volt "D" cell, before battery replacement is required.

The 850's radio uses a special type circuitry plus 31/2 inch speaker fortified with a heavy Alnico 5 magnet. Another of the receiver's features is vernier dial to permit precise "on the mark" station tuning. There is also provision for an earphone attachment, for "private listening" purposes.

Four mercury batteries, which permit up to 400 hours of receiver operation, are the source of the radio's power.

When the raido mechanism is "alerted," the receiver turns on mas. The big give-away is part automatically at the pre-set time. of a special promotion labeled "Op-The radio plays for one-half hour, eration Santa Claus" by the firm. then-to conserve battery power-"remembers" to turn off automatically.

The cabinet has front-to-back One free reel of 11/2 mil Mylar styling and is finished in a nonbreakable forticel material, one of chase of four reels of any kind of the plastics. Since color pigment Audiotape made between now and is mixed into the material when the January 15th. cabinet is moulded, there is no painted finish to chip or peel if the instrument is dropped. Cabinet color choices are all-over antique white; brown and antique white; dusty pink and white, and charcoal brown and white.

Suggested retail price of the Royal 850 in the U. S. is \$85 including batteries.



and Capitol. He says Columbia is ica. The Royal 850 combines an his best seller because its single balanced listening control appeals to buyers, makes it easiest to demonstrate. With stereo records album sales, he expects a steady increase in phono sales thru Christmas.

Audio Devices

Sets Holiday

Tape Giveaway

NEW YORK --- Audio Devices

As described by Bryce Haynes,

sales veepee, the promotion is a

"five for the price of four" deal.

tape will be given with every pur-

"We want tape recordists to be

familiar with the special qualities

of this extra-strength Audiotape

and with our holiday plan it al-

lows them to learn about it at no

cost to themselves," Mr. Haynes

With four reels of 7-inch Audio-

tape the recording enthusiast will

receive one 7-inch, 1200-foot reel

of the 11/2 mil Mylar Audiotape.

said.

expects to give away millions of

feet of recording tape this Christ-

The chart is being distributed

the United States and Canada. He took on stereo in late sum- A Spanish version is circulated

Walco Mates .7 and 1 Mil Needle Tips

NEW YORK -- The Electrovox Company, manufacturer of phono owners a choice of pairing stereo .7 mil needle with either the usual standard groove 3 mil tip or a microgroove 1 mil tip. record collectors would be obliged 45's with the same .7 mil tip while using the 3 mil tip only once in a while for a 78.

This, they point out, is economically unsound because a .7 mil diamond tip has an average life of 300 playing hours while 800 hours is the minimum life span for a 1 mil diamond tip. Since 78's have dropped in importance in the collections of stereo - oriented audio fans, Walco feels that the stereo cartridge with a .7 mil tip need be used for stereo only. Walco saves wear on the stereo tip by coupling it with a 1 mil microgroove tip that will play the bulk of any audiophile's monophonic collection.

These special 1 mil companion tips for stereo needles are designated by -1 after the regular catalog number. Walco also provides

Sales Down

More than one dealer held the seemed to believe.

They also felt that much miswhat should be done aside from a the Motorola unit. plan in which the customer could shops does not appear to cinch the away. sale because the customer is wary of some kind of ledgerdemain.

Zenith came in for some plaudits (Continued on page 19)

PROMOTION STUNT Give-Away Is Aid to **Stereo Demo**

CINCINNATI -- The Coston opinion that phono sales were not Radio and Television sfore at 2345 what they should be at this time of Ferguson Road uses a unique ginthe year. They offered the opinion mick for promoting Motorola's that the Boston area was not as far portable stereo phono. The outlet over the hump of the slump in lux- circularizing the area offering a ury items as some economists "free carload pass" to the Ferguson Hills Drive-In Theater. In order to qualify for the pass, the sionary work remains to be done in prospect has to phone Coston for stereo and they are not quite sure a "no obligation" demonstration of

The demonstration will be given actually get the stereo phono- either at the person's home or at graphs into their homes for a trial Coston's. Only other stipulation period. This doesn't seem mactical is that the prospect present the cirto them. Even listening in the cular advertising the pass give-

Like many dealers, Coston's believes demonstration is the most im-At stores where sales are equal portant tool the dealer has in imconventional 3 mil tips in combina- to or above expectations it did not proving the stereo sales picture. tion with .7 mil stereo tips for appear to be a result of any un- And they believe that giving a little

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ON HIGH-FIDELITY RECORDS BY



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Walco Club Offers **Benefits to Dealers**

ries, has expanded its "spiff" sale represents three stamps. plan into a special association or club" for dealers. Club member- pleting a spiff book for membership offers dealers and salesclerks ship is that the book also makes for mid-June. many benefits including paid-up the member eligible for cash bogroup life insurance, hospitaliza- nuses. Cash may be taken in lieu tion and medical insurance, low- of such benefits as paid-up insurcost chartered vacation trips and ance. However, there are other other so-called fringe benefits us- benefits that apply no matter how ually associated with paternalistic the member exerts his option. programs of large corporations.

dealers or clerks got a direct ter for members. Called "Walco acre tract, which will have paved cash commission for selling Walco Soundings," the newsletter will conproducts. They will continue to receive these cash benefits under the new club plan.

Membership in the Walco Super Bonus Club is open to all dealers and their clerks. The single bers can use free of charge. But important qualification for membership is the turning in of a completed Bonus Stamp Redemption Book each year. This book can be is to "foster better retail selling N. J. and its offices in New York completed by pasting 300 stamps, among dealers."

NEW YORK -- The Electro- each one of which represents the vox Company, maker of Walco sale of a Walco accessory or sapneedles and other record accesso- phire needle. A diamond needle

The important thing about com-

Under Walco's old "spiff" plan, also publishes a monthly newslettain tips on selling needles, information about needles, articles that analyze the business generally will employ approximately 500 and many other features including persons. the most important reason for the its present production facilities in publication, according to Walco,

Symphonic Sets Construction of New Plant in N. J.

NEW YORK--Symphonic Electronic Corporation has concluded negotiations for a long-term lease, under which a 100,000-squarefoot plant will be erected in Woodbridge, N. J. Occupancy is planned

The new plant will be used for the manufacture and distribution of the company's high fidelity and stereophonic sound equipment. The building will also house the com-As part of its club plan, Walco pany's engineering and research laboratories. It will be on a 10parking facilities. When the plant is finished, it is expected that it

> The company will still maintain Lowell, Mass.; New Brunswick, City.

Norelco Shows Stereo-Type **Continental**'

NEW YORK--The stereo version of the Norelco Continental tape recorder is being shipped by the High Fidelity Products Division of North American Philips. Engineered and manufactured by Philips of the Netherlands, the Norelco Stereo Continental features push button controls for ease of operation, twin tracks, and three speeds (7½, 3¾ and 1% inches per second) for maximum versatility.

The unit comes in high styled portable carrying case. It can be used to record monophonic, and to play back monophonic or stereo tapes thru the unit itself or thru an external hi-fi system. The machine has inputs for recording off a microphone, tuner, and phono and for mixing (recording two signals simultaneously or in sequence). For stereo playback, a second power amplifier and widerange, dual-cone speaker in a matching acoustically ported, resonance-free cabinet is available as an accessory.

stereo Continental compares favorably in performance with 'machines operating at the next higher speed, the firm says. This is due primarily to the special Philips magnetic head with a gap of only .0002 inches, which makes possible extended high frequency response even at lower speeds, they executive secretary. state.

The Norelco Stereo Continental Model EL3516G-53 is net

IHFM PROBLEM

Seek Fresh Ideas for **Hi-Fi Show**

NEW YORK - An appeal to all segments of the high fidelity industry for "new, fresh and uninhibited ideas" on how to improve future Institute of High Fidelity Manufacturers - sponsored shows has been voiced by Larry Epstein, an Institute director and sales and merchandising director of University Loudspeakers, Inc.

Epstein has been appointed a committee of one to explore ways and means of achieving the following objectives:

1. Greater exposure of the component high fidelity story to a larger segment of the public everywhere.

2. Reduction of the burden of time, personnel and effort now required of each exhibitor.

3. Lessening of the financial burden on the exhibitor without compromising the effectiveness of the show.

He stated that all new ideas were welcome from any source and should be sent to him personally at the Institute of High Fidelity Manufacturers, 125 East 23d St., At each of its three speeds the New York, N. Y. Epstein added that he would like to discuss ideas and suggestions of any Institute member at the general membership meeting in New York January 8. He said suggestions regarding operation and procedures of present-type shows should continue to go to Abe Schwartzman, Insitute

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And now his fast upcoming "Guaglione" and "Paris" on RCA-Victor.

In the LP field, all these were recorded on Conn: Charles Paul, "Console Magic", RCA-Victor 1668; Bert Buhrman, "Nostalgia in Hi Fi", ABC-209; Glenn Derringer, "Accent on Youth", ABC-193 Al Bollington, "Organ Hues in Hi Fi", Dot-3110; John Gart, "Parade of Hits", Kapp-1073; John Gart, "South of the Border", Kapp-1074; John Gart, "Rodgers & Hammerstein", Kapp-1075; plus "George Wright Plays The Conn Electronic Organ", Hi-FI-R-712.

Find out how good you'll sound on a Conn. Take a tip from recording artist Perez Prado ... discover the noticeable difference in a

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priced at \$229.50.

Emerson Combo Has TV, Radio, **Stereo Phono**

NEW YORK --- A stereophonic TV - phono - radio combination, Model 1474, has been introduced by Emerson. In announcing the new "Tru-Slim" loboy ensemble, Arnold Henderson, sales director, said: "The Model 1474 is the most complete home entertainment unit of its kind on the market today."

The Model 1474 contains 21inch, 110-degree picture tube with "up-front," controls. It is equipped with the Emerson dual channel amplifier for both stereo and monaural operation and features a built-in balance control for operation of both sound channels from one point. The sound system has a "woofer" and two matched "tweeters" and is ready for stereo operation by attaching an external speaker system such as Emerson's Model 970 or 971. A three-position selector switch permits choice of sound sources-internal, external or both.

The four-speed changer with stereo cartridge features intermix-

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Dynavox to Hit 45 Markets in **Radio-TV Stunt**

NEW YORK -- Dynavox Corporation, manufacturer of portable phonos, hi-fi and stereo units, will participate in a national "Cheerleaders" contest that will cover the nation's 45 major markets from coast to coast.

Dynavox will receive a total of 1,500 spot announcements between now and January 5, 1959, on both radio and TV. The shows will feature some of the nation's leading disk jockeys. They include: Alan Freed, New York City; Buddy Dean, Baltimore; Bob Clayton, Boston; Wink Martindale, Memphis; Milt Grant, Washington, and Grady & Hurst, Philadelphia, to name a few.

ing. A new three-speaker radio is provided with enclosed antenna.

The Model 1474 is available in limed oak and mahogany grained finishes. Suggested list price is \$348.



RUINED...

fuzzed up-distorted-trash-your precious record collection swept away because you took chances with an ordinary old fashioned diamond needle. So easy to completely protect your collection with the "Needle That Remembers" - The Duotone Diamond Needle with the safety extra of a memory. Tells you when to check or change your needle. Costs no more. Get details from leading dealers or booklet from Duotone, Keyport, New Jersey.



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AUDIO PRODUCTS

Audio Feedback

- By RALPH FREAS -

GLASER-STEERS EXPANDING

Glaser-Steers is on the move. The manufacturer of the Stereo GS 77 record changer finds there isn't enough room in the Belleville, N. J. plant. So, operations have been shifted to a big, new plant at 155 Oraton St., Newark, N. J. Prexy Julius Glaser is happy with the move because it will give room for expanded research facilities. Also, the new plant will have a modern finishing and spray painting department with all new equipment.

THE EXECUTIVE CIRCUIT

Sam Olchak has left his post of sales manager at Paramount Enterprises, makers of Hallmark stereo disks and phonos. Olchak, who once performed similar chores for the teevee division of CBS-Columbia, DeWald Radio and Tele King, will announce his future plans soon.... Howard Harwood was named chairman of the ad section of the Electronic Parts and Equipment Manufacturers, representing about 120 Midwestern firms. Harwood is ad manager of Shure Bros. . . . Hank Miller, Midwest sales manager of Recoton, has been upped to the national sales manager post. He replaces Jack Karns who recently resigned. Karns, who was with the firm for many years, has not announced his plans.

AUDIO CONCLAVE - WESTERN STYLE

The Audio Engineering Society is building up a nice head of steam for their sixth annual Western Convention at the Hotel Biltmore, Los Angeles, February 17-20. According to Harry Bryant, executive veepee of the Society, more high quality audio papers will get a hearing than at any other previous meet. A large number of the papers deal with some aspect of stereophonic sound reproduction.

LOS ANGELES SHOW PROMOTION SET

Publicity and promotion plans are being set for the upcoming Los Angeles High Fidelity Music Show. Members of the Institute of High Fidelity Manufacturers exhibiting there should forward releases, literature and photos to: Hank Levy, Suite 204, 3950 W. 6th St., Los Angeles 5, Calif.

NEW HOFFMAN DISTRIBUTORS

Two new distributors have been appointed to handle the Hoffman television, hi-fi lines. In Nashville, Tenn., the Cumberland Distributing Company will handle the lines in 31 counties in Tennessee and two in Kentucky. The firm has showrooms on Berry Lane. The other appointment is the Sampson Company in Chicago, which will distribute the lines in Northern Illinois, including Cook County, and in Lake and Porter counties in Indiana. Sampson claims to be the largest, longest-established independent appliance distributor in Chicago.

Boston Report

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for the same reason as Motorola. The name means something in the area and it was priced attractively. These three appeared to be the only units showing much activity.

Optimistic Forecast Expectations for pre-Christmas sales generally are optimistic, running from strong belief in stereo sales rise to just plain hope. Only one dealer felt that it would prove a big pre-Christmas attraction and the first quarter. Most merely hoped sales would be good and thought it too early to tell about the next year. There was a general feeling, however, that stereo, es-pecially in portables, would enjoy brisk volume for yule gift-giving. Generally, dealers feel there is a

marked wariness on the part of the customers in acceptance. A great many of the buyers take the attitude that they were rushed into purchasing hi-fi sets, many of which proved less than promised. They feel they were "stung" on alleged hi-fi and will be more careful about stereo until it has which proved less than promised. really proved itself.

Goofs Apparent

Irving Bass of Bass Electric goes on record as saying that in a short time, stereo will revolutionize the industry and will stimulate a

the arm. One dealer, who understandably wishes to remain anonymous, takes the stand that disk companies will have to use more care in cutting records or pressing goofs will be so much more apparent and abhorrent."

Still there is much enthusiasm about stereo from dealers. So far it has not entirely communicated itself to the customer. The point their stereo releases since the is offered that one of the bestselling points can't be offered by the dealer-that of word of mouth.





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HAPPY STEREOPHONIC NEW YEAR

Los Angeles will ring in the New Year stereophonically due to a tie-up between three local radio stations (KCBH-FM, KMLA-FM and KLAC-AM). The project is a special promotion undertaken by Western Sound, Encino audio outlet. Termed a "sound spec-"acular," the promotion will consist of six consecutive hours of stereo broadcasting-from 9 p.m. December 31 to 3 a.m. January 1. Reason for the three-station co-operation is to air both FM-AM and AM-FM. This, the sponsors believe, will enable people to compare both systems. The six-hour length of the show was decided on to make it worthwhile to set up equipment to receive it. Local hi-fi dealers will be invited to use the basic promotional idea to help increase sales of FM and stereo tuners, amplifiers, speakers and tape recorders during the weeks before the broadcast. Promotional plans include direct mail and newspaper ads and publicity in local trade and consumer media. A giant invitation card inviting listeners to tune to the show will be mailed to several thousand motion picture, radio and teevee stars and executives.

SO THAT'S STEREO!

The Board of Directors of the Magnetic Recording Industry Association has approved a definition of the word "stereophonic." The definition reads: "Stereophonic, stereo, (binaural, deprecated): A technique of transmitting sound which employs two or more complete transmission channels for the purpose of creating in the listening environment the sense of audio perspective inherent in the source environment. Each channel must include a separate micriphone, amplifier and loudspeaker, and may have one channel of a multi-channel recorder and reproducer interposed as a time storage device." The definition, says MRIA, will be of great use to Better Business Bureaus and others who can use it as a yardstick to measure fraudulent advertising. Great! But how about putting it into English that can be understood by the dealer and his customers?

CREDIT AID TO RETAILERS

The Monthly Bulletin of the NAMM tells how the Chase Manhattan Bank in New York is entering the retail customer credit business. Under the plan, Chase will allow retailers to offer complete charge account service with the bank assuming all risks and costs. For the service, Chase will discount 6 per cent from each credit sale. The retailer will receive his cash as fast as the bank can process sales tickets. Thru the plan, the retailer becomes the bank's agent in each credit sale and his own capital and credit AT LEAST THEY AGREE ON FIDELITONE - Bach fans and Brubeck-ites can disagree on the music they like, but all is sunshine and flowers when it comes to phonograph needles. They both buy Fidelitone. They know that Fidelitone is first in the field of quality. Has been

first for nearly thirty years. Take advantage of Fidelitone's well earned, well advertised reputation for quality. Stock and sell the needles that most record buyers know and want. Be sure of satisfied customers that come back to you for all their record needs. Ask your Distributor for Fidelitone.



Export Dept., 13 E. 40th St., New York 16, N.Y. "Best buy on records"



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BEST SELLING LP'S

FOR SURVEY WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 29

The information given in this chart is based on actual sales to customers in a scientific sample of the nation's retail record outlets during the week ending on the date shown above. Sample design, sample size and all methods used in this continuing study of retail record sales are under the direct and continuing supervision and control of the School of Retailing of New York University.

This Week	Last Week	Weeks on Chart
1. Sing Along With Mitch	1	22
2. South Pacific	2	37
8. Tchaikovsky: Piano Concerto No. 1 Van Cliburn, RCA Victor LM 2252	3	19
4. Only the Lonely	7	11
5. The Music Man	16	41
6. More Sing Along With Mitch Mitch Miller, Columbia CL 1243	8	5
7. The Kingston Trio	4	6
8. Gigi Sound Track, M-G-M E 3641 ST	5	25
9. My Fair Lady Original Cast, Columbia OL 5090	6	140
10. Johnny's Greatest Hits	10	35
11. But Not for Me	13	12
12. Ahmad Jamal Argo LP 636	11	4
13. South Pacific	15	245
14. Swing Softly	18	12
15. Stardust	17	21
16. Belafonte Sings the Blues	19	5
17. King Creole Elvis Presley, RCA Victor LPM 1884	9	13
18. Warm Johnny Mathis, Columbia CL 1078	-	40
19. Christmas Sing Along With Mitch Mitch Miller, Columbia CL 1205	-	1
20. The Fabulous Johnny Cash	-	1
21. Film Encores	14	68
22. Oklahoma!	20	163
23. Around the World in 80 Days Sound Track, Decca DL 9046	_	79
24. Victory at Sea, Vol. 2	12	5
25. Till	23	22
		2000



SHIRLEY TEMPLE'S HITS Sound Tracks—20th Fox 3006

----- Pop Albums----

This one's bound to hit the mark and particularly around the gift season, it can achieve a good level of sales. A number of Miss Temple's famous songs from the movies she made as a child will have strong appeal. Tunes include "On the Good Ship Lollipop," "At the Cod Fish Ball," "Animal Crackers in My Soup," etc. The little lady had a lot of charm then as now and her present regular TVexposure will help sales. Attractive cover shows the grown-up Shirley Temple, plus photos as a child.



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ITALIA CON PIER ANGELI Roulette R 25051

The lovely flick star has a very impressive album debut. She handles the Italian tunes (most of which have become American pop hits also) in highly listenable fashion. It's a nicely programmed set that includes ballads and rhythm numbers. Beautiful cover shot of the artist provides a fine display item. Selections include "Volare," "Arrivederci, Roma" and "Souvenir D'Italie." Good programming set for jocks, and it has a chance with exposure.

SING ALONG WITH BASIE

With Joe Williams, Dave Lambert & Annie Rose-Roulette R 52018

Joe Williams, the Basie blues king, joins the Dave Lambert Singers here on a fine production. Outstanding in the Lambert trio are swingin' thrush Annie Ross and Jon Hendricks. These two are particularly effective on those wild vocal riffs, usually reserved for solo break by the horn section. The harmony work too, when it comes along is effective. Basie band lends great but restrained backing. Extremely extensive lyric content is printed in toto on the liner. This can be moved.



THE CHICO HAMILTON TRIO World Pacific 1008

STEREO & MONAURAL

Gambrell is one of the most impressive new piano talents around. With Chico Hamilton on drums and Ben Tucker on bass, forming a showcase, the dextrous man with great ideas demonstrates his lightning finger work and his unusually powerful left hand. Good stereo recording of the type of group not easily captured to advantage in 3-D. This can be sold.



---- Classical Albums ---

SEGOVIA GOLDEN JUBILEE

(3-12") Andres Segovia, Guitar, with the Symphony of the Air (Jorda)—Decca DXJ 148

A great package and one which makes an ideal gift for music lovers. The three records by the master of the classical guitar give a broad idea of the range of guitar literature-covering selections by De Murcia, Sor, Boccherini, Castelnuovo-Tedesco, Torroba, Tansman, Segovia's adaptations from Moussorgsky, etc. Sides five and six are done with the Symphony of the Air. Most tasteful de luxe packaging includes special sleeves for the disks and a beautifully prepared book on the guitar with aspects of Segovia's career.





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----- Low-Price Classical Albums

HANDEL: THE MESSIAH

(4-12") The London Philharmonic Choir (Jackson); The London Orch. (Susskind) with Various Artists— Somerset SFCC 201

STEREO & MONAURAL

Stereo effects on this low-priced set are magnificent, with male voices coming from one speaker and female voices from the other in such a way that the fine choir can almost be visualized. There's excellent balance between soloists, chorus and ork. Soloists are fair, with the exception of soprano April Cantelo, whose vocal quality and technique are superb. Package contains text. Outstanding value, especially at Christmas time.

----- Christmas Albums ------

CHRISTMAS CAROLS

Billy Vaughn Orch. & Chorus-Dot DLP 3148

Billy Vaughn provides a lush orchestral and choral setting for 14 favorite holiday songs. The Vaughn touch has hit the best-seller list before, and this one is sure to be a holiday bell-ringer. A tasteful but catchy cover will spur sales.



ALBUM COVER OF THE WEEK



SHIRLEY TEMPLE'S HITS, 20th Fox 3006. Photo of the present-day sophisticated lady next to shots of the rollicking lass of yesteryear is a real eye-catcher. It's going to stir a lot of memories as well as attract sales.



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---- Christmas Special Merit Albums-----

O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL

The Laymen Singers, Ralph Carmichael, Vocal and Orch. Direction-Sacred 8013

Here's evidence of the fact that true artistry can take the familiar and present it with spine-tingling effect. In the hands of arranger-conductor Ralph Carmichael the well-known Yuletide melodies take on a grandeur all their own. Accent is on choral arrangements with some carols offered a capella, others accompanied by a lush string-heavy orchestra. The arrangements are unadulterated by the usual vocal group devices. Both chorus and orchestra reveal a high degree of musicianship. Here is Christmas coraling on a grand scale.

-----C&W Albums

SIDE BY SIDE

The Wilburn Brothers-Decca BL 8774

The brothers perform a dozen sides in the traditional country vein. Dealers and buyers looking for the true bill sound and the heartbreak quality of Hank Williams have it here. Sides include Williams' "May You Never Be Alone" and such titles as "Faded Love" and "That Silver-Haired Daddy of Mine."

---- Specialty Albums-----

THE NINA, THE PINTA AND THE SANTA MARIA

Eddie Albert and Joanne Gilbert-Dot DLP 9009

STEREO & MONAURAL

This highly original offering tells the tale of Columbus' discovery of America in song form from the vantage point of his three ships, the Nina, Pinta and Santa Maria. There's suspense and humor and the flavor of Disney at his best as the three ships sail out onto the uncharted seas. Joanne Gilbert plays the part of Nina; Eddie Albert's narration keeps interest at high pitch and also provides a convincing portrayal of the sea monster. Lee Millar is Pinta, Nina's protective brother, and Thurl Ravenscroft puts his rich basso profundo to impressive use as senor Santa Maria, the barnacle-bottomed father of Nina and Pinta. Book is by Del Connell, music by Ray Gilbert and Ray Rasch, lyrics by Ray Gilbert, musical supervision by Neely Plumb. It was produced and directed by Ray Gilbert and Tom Mack. Stereo was put to good use here.

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3. HAVE BAND, WILL TRAVEL Lester Lanin Epic LN 3520
4. THE KINGSTON TRIO Kingston Trio Capitol T 996
5. WHEN YOU COME TO THE END OF A DAY Perry Como Victor LPM 1885
6. THINGS ARE SWINGIN' Peggy Lee Capitol T 1049
7. SING ALONG WITH MITCH Mitch Miller Columbia CL 1160
8. THE VERY THOUGHT OF YOUNat King Cole Capitol W 1084
9. POLITELY Keely Smith Capitol T 1073
0. HOT CARGO Ernestine Anderson Mercury MG 20354



Best Selling Pop EP's

FOR SURVEY WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 29

The information given in this chart is based on actual sales to customers in a scientific sample of the nation's retail record out/ets during the week ending on the date shown above. Sample design, sample size, and all methods used in this continuing study of retail record sales are under the direct and continuing supervision and control of the School of Retailing of New York University.

1.	KING CREOLE, VOL. 1 Elvis Presley, RCA Victor EPA 4319
2.	KING CREOLE, VOL. 2 Elvis Presley, RCA Victor 4321
3.	JOHNNY CASH SINGS HANK WILLIAMS Sun EPA 111
4.	HYMNS
5.	SPIRITUALS
6.	NEARER THE CROSS. Tennessee Ernie Ford, Capitol EAP 1-1005
7.	THE FABULOUS JOHNNY CASHColumbia B-12531
8.	THE EVERLY BROTHERSCadence CEP 107



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A Message From Newport Maynard Ferguson SR-52012

DYNAMIC STEREO

BASIE

Basie Plays Hefti SR-52011 Count Basie & Orch.



Tytee Glenn at the Roundtable SR-25050 Tyree Glenn





Mitcheil-Ruff Duo Plus Strings & Bass

SR-52013



Senor lile Redriguez **Tilo Rodriguez** Tico SLP-1051 & Drch.







Joe Newman With Woodwinds Joe Newman SR-52014









Reviews and Ratings of New Popular Albums

Continued from page 23

****** A LONG LONG KISS Canta Maya with Bernie Landes Ork. Roulette R 25052

Miss Maya has a whispery, husky quality which might be called a blend of Marlene Dietrich, Eva Gabor and other sirens of that ilk. Some of the material, such as "I'm a Kitten," in which the gal literally essays a cat's purr, will appeal to males looking for recorded kicks and atmosphere. Beyond that, appeal would be fairly alim.

****** DEANNA DURBIN Decca DL 8785

This collection of oldies, standards and This collection of oldies, standards and traditional tunes (culled from the Decca catalog) should have nostilizio value to older movie fans. The ex-teen movie queen (now retired in France) was in sweet, op-eratic-type voice on such varied fare as "Always," "Kiss Me Again," and "Musetta's Waltz Song."

****** MY FAVORITE PLACES Conducted by Walter Scharf. Jubilee

STEREO & MONAURAL

Scharf plays lush instrumental treatments of his own tunes-romantic themes depicting places ranging from Las Vegas and Palm Springs to Acupulco and Seville. Pretty jockey wax for mood segs. Stereo is okay.

POPULAR *

*** JAN CLAYTON SINGS CROUSEL** With the Camarata Ork. Disneyland WDL 3036

STEREO & MONAURAL

LOW-PRICE POPULAR ***

*** MUSIC FROM THE GASLIGHT ERA

Clarence Hutchenrider, Clarinet; Rudolph Sillano, Drums; Scott Davidson, Piano; Lusius Fowler, Banjo. Aameo ALP 323 Small-group "traditional" Dixieland played

by a quartet fronted by clarinetist Clarence LOW PRICE -----Hutchenrider, a regular at New York's Gaslight, a private club. Without the usual trombone and cornet and base foundation.

Is the Color," and a gospel influenced, "Jacob's Ladder." A most satisfying set with the stereo offect finding voice and guitar in opposite speakers. Stereo is hardly needed here.

FOLK ★

***** FOLK BLUES Jerry Silverman. Audio-Video A-V 101

INTERNATIONAL **

likely be limited.

LOW PRICE -INTERNATIONAL ***

*** TORERO! Aamco ALP 326

A well-played, spirited album of bull fight music. It has the additional advantage of containing some fresh material in several exciting pasodobles which have not been included in the rash of bullfight albums, The orchestra, which does a solid job, is not identified other than as numbering 65 pieces.

*** IN AN EGYPTIAN GARDEN Directed by Tarik Bulut. Aamce ALP 325

This one is right out of the world of the harems and belly dancers. Featured instruments are violin, zither, lute and two drums, plus vocalist L. Guner, Would figure to have a limited market, but in its field, it can compete well, due to a good performance and recording job. The harem gal on the cover can no doubt add sales appeal.



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it all sounds a bit thin. Tunes include oldles like "Beale Street Blues," "Tin Roof Blues," "Smoke Rings" and "Saints." Cute cover of curvy brunette doing a Charleston at the Gaslight may help it in rack displays.

LOW-PRICE BAND ***

*** THE ROYAL SCOTCH GUARD BAGPIPES

Directed by Nell Duddy. Aamco ALP 328

This platter does not have the all-out sound of a big group like the Black Watch, but most Gaels and Celts will enjoy it. Since only a few pipers are used, the "detail" of the sound comes thru well and the tunes aren't buried in mass skirling. Most of the pipe numbers incidentally, would be more at home in Dublin than Edinburgh, and Irish-Americans will have a rare chance to hear "Wearin O' the Green," "St. Patrick's Day," etc. in full bagpipe arrangements.

CHRISTMAS ****

**** GIFT OF THE MAGI Sally Ann Howes with Allen Case & Bibl Isterwald and Various Artists. United Artists UAS 5013 & UAL 4013

STEREO & MONAURAL

Richard Adler's musical version of O'Henry's wistful short story will be telecast over CBS-TV shortly. The sale of this LP will depend considerably upon addience impact of that program. The package has name power in Sally Ann Howes ("My Fair Lady" star) and narrator Eli Wallach, and the score is tender and appropriately sentimental for the season, Standout ballads are "A Better Word Than Love," and "Christmas in Your Heart." Both Miss Howes and Case turn in fine performances.

CHRISTMAS EP ***

*** FREDDY COLE (1-EP). Sue EP 101

Cole has considerable similarity to his brother Nat Cole, on this mixture of lightly jumping efforts with bailads. Side one, "I, Me," and "Right Now," both have a good rhythm trio backing to the relaxed,

Ists UAS 5012 & UAL 4012 STEREO & MONAURAL

** FLAMENCO!

Mario Escudero, Guitar, with Various Artists, Aamco ALP 322

The best bands on this album are those on which Escudero takes over for guitar solos. On the other bands, an anonymous male singer attempts to evoke the mysteries of the cante jondo with variable success. On most he is very average, altho he out does himself once or twice. The sum total is a good, but hardly outstanding effort.



* BEL CANTO ITALIANO Joe Masiello, Tenor with The Nick Aversano Ork. Dana DILP 8011

POLKA ****

**** HULA HOOP POLKA

Frank Woharowski Ork. Dana DLP 1268 A healthy selection on polks melodies are presented by the ork. The set also contains a tango and a few waltz selections. The title tune of the album spotlights the current hoop craze with the words "Hula Hoop" uttered thruout the song. Good item for this market.

**** DANCING TO EDDIE ZIMAS BAND

Dana DLP 1266 Here's another of Dana's polka platters that should do nicely with admirers of that bouncy step. The Zimas' crew play a total of seven polkas (including such up-to-date numbers as "Hot Rod Polka" and "Blonde Secretary Polka"), plus three waltzee and two obereks. Eye-catching cover showing dancers in traditional Polish costume. Specialized appeal, but should move nicely in some areas.

POLKA ***

*** WALTE WITH WHOOPEE "Whoopee" John Wilfahrt Ork. Deces DL 8784 German-style waltzes and polkas played in

Wilfahrt's own individual manner, which (Continued on page 38)





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his Yeek	Last	Weeks on Chart	This	Last Week	Weeks on Chart
1. Tom Dooley By Dave Guard—Published by Beechwood (BMI) BEST SELLING RECORD: Kingston Trio, Cap 4049.	1	9	6. Beep Beep By Donny-Morey-Ghic-Published by H.&L. (BMI) BEST SELLING RECORD: Playmates, Roulette 4115.	6	5
2. To Know Him Is to Love Him By Phillip Spector-Published by Warman (BMI) BEST SELLING RECORD: Teddy Bears, Dore 503. RECORDS AVAILABLE: Cathy Carr, Roulette 4107; Evelyn and Towers Kin Cap 4069.	2 gsley,	8	7. Problems By F. Bryant & B. Bryant—Published by Acuff-Rose (BMI) BEST SELLING RECORD: Everly Brothers, Cadence 1355.	10	3
3. It's Only Make Believe By Conway Twitty & Nance-Published by Marielle (BMI) BEST SELLING RECORD: Conway Twitty, MGM 12677. RECORD AVAILABLE: Jimmy Starr, Debbie 101.	3	9	8. I Got Stung By Aaron-Schroeder-David Hill—Published by Gladys Music (ASCAP) BEST SELLING RECORD: Elvis Presley, Vic 7410.	9	5
4. Lonesome Town By B. Knight-Published by Eric (BMI) BEST SELLING RECORD: Ricky Nelson, Imperial 5545.	5	7	9. Topsy II By Battle-Durham—Published by Cosmopolitan (ASCAP) BEST SELLING RECORD: Cozy Cole, Love 50034.	4	10
5. One Night By Dave Bartholemew-Pearl King-Published by Travis-Presley (BMI) BEST SELLING RECORD: Elvis Presley, Vic 7210.	8	4	10. It's All in the Game By Dawes and Sigman—Published by Remick (ASCAP) BEST SELLING RECORD: Tommy Edwards, MGM 12688.	7	15

11. Queen of the Hop

By Woody Harris & Bobby Darin-Published by Walden-Tweed (ASCAP) BEST SELLING RECORD: Bobby Darin, Atco 6127.

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16. World Outside 6

> By Sigmund-Addensell-Published by Chappell (ASCAP) BEST SELLING RECORDS: Four Aces, Dec 30764; Four Coins, Epic 9295. RECORD AVAILABLE: Roger Williams, Kapp 246.

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12.	Smoke Gets in Your Eyes	24	2				
	By Harbach-Kearns-Published by Harms (ASCAP)			17.	A Lover's Question	17	5
	BEST SELLING RECORD: Platters, Mercury 71383.				By Brook Benton-Jimmy Williams-Published by Eden-Progressive (BMI)	1.0	
	RECORDS AVAILABLE: Richard Barrett, MGM 12616; Harry Belafonte, Jubilee 5035; Earl Bostic, King 4570; Connee Boswell, Dec 25055; Carmen Cavallaro, Dec 24185; Dennia Day, Cap 1610; Jerry Gray, Dec 27450; Gordon Jenkins, Dec 27166;	C			BEST SELLING RECORD: Clyde McPhatter, Atlantic 1199.	S.	
	Guy Lombardo, Dec 23996; Tab Smith, Argo 5323; Fred Waring, Dec 23728.		1	18.	Love Is All We Need	19	3
12	Chantilly Lace	15	11		By Raleigh-Wolf-Published by Sheldon (BMI)		
10.	By J. P. Richardson-Published by Glad (BMI)			12	BEST SELLING RECORD: Tommy Edwards, MGM 12722.		
	BEST SELLING RECORD: Big Bopper, Mercury 71343.		1		RECORDS AVAILABLE: Jimmy Breedlove, Epic 9283; Barry Frank, Mark 140.		
14.	I Got a Feeling	13	8	19.	Whole Lotta Lovin'	21	2
	By B. Knight-Published by Eric (BMI) BEST SELLING RECORD: Ricky Nelson, Imperial 5545.		Concernence of Concer		By Domino & Bartholomew-Published by Marquis (BMI) BEST SELLING RECORD: Fats Domino, Imperial 5553.		
15.	The Day the Rains Came	14	9	20.	The End	12	11
	By Sigmund-Becaud-Published by Garland (ASCAP)				By Jimmy Krondes-Sid Jacobson-Published by Criterion (ASCAP)		
	BEST SELLING RECORDS: Raymond Le Fevre, Kapp 231; Jane Morgan, Kapp 235. RECORD AVAILABLE: Dalida, Verve 10152.	2		l	BEST SELLING RECORD: Earl Grant, Dec 30719.		
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91	Tea for Two Cha Cha	16	12	26	Non Dimenticar	97	ĸ
21.	By Vincent Youmans-Irving Caesar-Published by Harms (ASCAP) RECORDS AVAILABLE: Bill Ador Ork, Verve 10155; Tommy Dorsey Ork-Warren Covington, Dec 30704.	an a		20.	By Redl-Galdieri-Dobbins-Published by Hollis (BMI) RECORDS AVAILABLE: Robert Ashley, MGM 12463; Nat King Cole, Cap 405 Don Cornell, Coral 61905; Percy Faith, Col 40155; Joni James, MGM 12639.	~ •	J
99	Cannon Ball	23	4	27.	Need You	_	1
***	By L. Hazlewood-Duane Eddy-Published by Gregmark (BMI)		0.0		By Buddy Wheeler-Published by Malapi (BMI)	-	Cherry
	RECORD AVAILABLE: Duane Eddy, Jamie 1111.		1873		RECORDS AVAILABLE: Donnie Owens, Guyden 2001; Jeff Stevens, Dot 15843.		
23.	I'll Wait for You	18	4	28.	Poor Boy	22	3
	By Marcucci-DeAngeles-Published by Rambed (BMI)		- A.	AUTOLOTION)	By G. Sanderson-Published by Meridian-Parkwood (BMI)	100360	100
	RECORD AVAILABLE: Frankie Avalon, Chancellor 1026.				RECORDS AVAILABLE: Cardigans, Mercury 71367; Royal Tones, Jubiles 5338.		
24.	Old Black Magie	-	1	29.	Forget Me Not	29	7
1000	By Johnny Mercer & Harold Arlen-Published by Famous (ASCAP)	10		1020/26/10	By Larry Martin-Larry Kolber-Published by Aldon Music (BMI)	(199927)	25.6
	RECORDS AVAILABLE: Dave Brubeck Trio, Fantasy 506; Billy Daniels, GNP 111 Billy Daniels, Mercury 30007; Sammy Davis Jr., Dec 29541; Erroll Garner, Mercury				RECORD AVAILABLE: Kalin Twins, Dec 30745.		
	70649; Norman Greene, MGM 30609; Tiny Grimes, Atco 858; Glenn Miller Ork, Vi	lo	98 - ₁₀	30.	Letter to an Angel	-	2
	0044; Louis Prima and Keely Smith. Cap 4063; Martha Raye, Mercury 70364; Bobb			ensienter	By Jimmy Clanton-Cosimo Mattassa-Published by Ace (BMI)		100
	Robertson, Windsor 7460; David Rose, MGM 30886; Sundowners, Windsor 7160; Free Waring Ork, Dec 40173.	a			RECORDS AVAILABLE: Jimmy Clanton, Ace 551; Five Shillings, Dec 30722.		
		94		30.	Gotta Travel On	_	1
25.	Louis and States and S	24	~		By Paul Clayton-Published by Ace (BMI)		
	By David-Peretti-Creatore—Published by Planetary (ASCAP) RECORD AVAILABLE: Jimmie Rodgers, Roulette 4116.				RECORD AVAILABLE: Billy Grammer, Monument 400.		

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9	10	11	10		QUEEN OF THE HOP Bobby Darin, Atco 6127	10
86	50	22	0	*	SMOKE GETS IN YOUR EYES Platiers, Mercury 71353	4
4	5	10	12		IT'S ALL IN THE GAME Tommy Edwards, M-G-M 12688	16
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22	19	14	•	-	A LOVER'S QUESTION Civde McPhatter, Atlantic 1199	8
7	13	16	6		CHANTILLY LACE Big Bopper, Mercury 71343	19
81	49	26	16	*	WHOLE LOTTA LOVIN' Fats Domino, Imperial 5553	4
25	15	19	Ø		CANNON BALL Dunne Eddy, Jamie 1111	6
51	44	23	18		BIMBOMBEY	5
37	23	18	19		LOVE IS ALL WE NEED	7
12	12	13	20		THE END	13
20	27	15	2		I'LL WAIT FOR YOU	7
62	36	35	22	*	THAT OLD BLACK MAGIC	6
13	14	24	23		TEA FOR TWO CHA CHA	15
24	28	17	24		POOR BOY	8
28	30	28	25		NEED YOU	10
36	31	21	26		THE WORLD OUTSIDE Four Coins, Epic 9295	5
16	16	20	2		FORGET ME NOT	11
31	21	27	28		THE DAY THE RAINS CAME. Jane Morgan, Kapp 235	12
29	25	31	29		LETTER TO AN ANGEL	8
	86	43	R	*	GOTTA TRAVEL ON	3



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	-	-	6	*	PEEK-A-BOO	1
47	69	67	62	ŝ.	MANDOLINS IN THE MOONLIGHT	7
<u> </u>	-	70	63	٩,	NOBODY BUT YOU Des Clark, Abner 1019	2
<u>.</u>	<u> </u>	•	64	*	BIG BOPPER'S WEDDING	1
74	74	59	65		LOVE YOU MOST OF ALL Sam Cooke, Keen 2008	4
17270	81	61	66		INTERMISSION RIFF	3
68	70	64	67		JEALOUS HEART Tab Hunter, Warner Bros. 5008	8
	91	81	68		16 CANDLES The Crests, Coed 506	3
	-	-	69	*	MANHATTAN SPIRITUAL	1
50	39	63			THE BLOB	11



These records have shown the greatest national SALES BREAKOUT potential this week for the first time. Action sides are listed in capital letters.

POP

	MY HAPPINESS (Happiness, ASCAP) Never Before (Saunders, ASCAP) M-G-M 12738
1	PEEK-A-BOO
	THE TEEN COMMANDMENTS
	BIG BOPPER'S WEDDING
	(Starrite, BMI) (Starrite, BMI) Mercury 71375
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20	28	03	70		Fire Blobs, Columbia 41250	11
-	99	84	0		THE WEDDING June Valil, Mercury 71383	3
_	-	90	Ð	*	LITTLE RED RIDING HOOD Big Bupper, Mercury 71375	2
_	85	48	13		LOVE OF MY LIFE Everly Brothers, Cadence 1355	3
26	33	50	0		TEARS ON MY PILLOW	18
40	37	40	ß		THE DAY THE RAINS CAME Raymond Le Fevre, Kapp 231	12
49	58	77	1 6		ALL OVER AGAIN	10
	94	82	0		C'MON EVERYBODY	3
53	52	60	18		WHAT DO I CARE Johnny Cash, Columbia 41251	8
<u></u>	92	83	09	12	THE WORLD OUTSIDE	3
-	22	-	80	*	COME PRIMA Tony Dalardo, Mercury 71327	1
2000	1	92	81		I WANT TO BE HAPPY CHA CHA Tommy Dorsey Ork-Warren Covington, Decca 30790	2
69	63	69	82		THE SECRET	13
_		12.000	83	*	THE DIARY	1
45	62	65	84		NO ONE KNOWS	16
32	47	71	85		NEAR YOU	17
-	-		86	*	THE WORLD OUTSIDE Roger Williams, Kapp 246	1
91	-	97	87	×	CINDERELLA Four Preps, Capitol 4078	3
63	64	80	88		LIGHT OF LOVE Peggy Lee, Capitol 4017	6
99		88	89		A HOUSE, A CAR AND A WEDDING RING	4
<u></u>	<u> </u>	-	90	*	DIAMOND RING Jerry Wallace, Challenge 59027	1

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-	-	-	91	THE FOOL & THE ANGEL	1
56	42	85	92	COME ON, LET'S GO Ritchie Valens, Del-Fi 4106	12
-		-	93	I CRIED A TEAR La Vern Baker, Atlantic 2007	1
<u> </u>			94	STAGGER LEE Lloyd Price, ABC-Paramount 9927	1
-	-	-	95	BILLY BAYOU	1
87	97	8 	96	CRAZY COUNTRY HOP	4
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To help you in your programming from Christmas until the New Year, these recaps will be printed in the December 15 issue of The Billboard.

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 Best Selling Sheet Music in U. S. SHORTY SHORTY Tunes are ranked in order of their surrest national By popular demand ! selling importance at the sheet music jobber level. LOVE YOU IN Weeks Last This 00 A THOUSAND WAYS Week Chart Week 1. TO KNOW HIM IS TO LOVE HIM (Warman) 8 THE RIGHT Bob and Ray 2. TOM DOOLEY (Beechwood) 1 Nasco 6023 3. NON DIMENTICAR (Hollis) 3 TIME BLACK NIGHT 4. THE DAY THE RAINS CAME (Garland) 2 b/w HONEY BEE 5. IT'S ALL IN THE GAME (Remick) 4 12 (I Love You) Tommy Angel 6. THE WORLD OUTSIDE (Chappell) 10 3 Nasco 6022 **Ray Charles** 7. LONESOME TOWN (Eric) 8 NASHBORO 8. NEAR YOU (Supreme) 6 13 Atlantic 2010 Record Co., Inc. 9. LOVE IS ALL WE NEED (Sheldon) 11 Nashville, Tenn. 10. CALL ME (Meridian) 13 CHappel 2-2215 11. I'LL REMEMBER TONIGHT (Feist) -From the best-selling album 12. IT'S ONLY MAKE BELIEVE (Marielle) 12 SING SING 13. CHANTILLY LACE (Glad) 14 **RAY CHARLES AT** SING 14. COME PRIMA (AMC) 15. LOVE MAKES THE WORLD GO 'ROUND (Winneton) .-...1 BERNIE LOWE'S ORCHESTRA NEWPORT Cameo #153 (Atlantic LP 1289) Best Selling Sheet Music in Britain HIS GREATEST HIT! a shortened version of the gos-(For week ending November 29) pel-style tune that got so many A cabled report from the Music Publishers' Association, Ltd., London, List is based upon their weekly survey of England's leading music 157 West 57th St., New York, N. Y. dealers. America publishers in parenthesis. plays by D.J.'s that we have More Than Ever-Sterling (Ampco) Tom Dooley-Essex (Ludlow) been forced to bring out "The A Certain Smile-Robbins (Robbins) You Need Hands-Lakeview (Leeds) Right Time" even the Ray's Mary's Boy Child-Bourne (Schumann) Tulips From Amsterdam-Cinephonic (Sikorski) It's All in the Game-Blossom (Remick) "Rockhouse" (2006) is hot and Trudie-Henderson (Kassner) When-Southern (Sounds) Volare-Robbins (Robbins) Born Too Late-Anglo-Pic (Mansion) climbing in the charts. Carolina Moon-Lawrence Wright (Crom-Tom Dooley - Ardmore & Beechwood well) (Beechwood) Someday-Duchess (Leeds) On the Street Where You Live-Chappell Hoots Mon-Southern (Southern) (Chappell) It's Only Make Believe - Francis Day I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day-Chappell (St. Nicholas) (Marielle) Americat's Fastest Bird Dog-Acuff-Rose (Acuff-Rose) Stupid Cupid-Aldon (Aldon)





One in a Series of Industry Personality Statements



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a warm quality and could make it. (Montauk, BMI)

**** Getting By Without You

A big styled ballad is handed a meaningful reading by the chanter helped by a vocal chorus and a large ork. Both sides are strong. (Bennie Benjamin, BMI)

JIMMY BOWEN

**** Always Faithful

- ROULETTE 4122 Pretty waltz is belted with sincerity by the lad. Smooth ork backing with organ outstanding offers good backing. Lyric has a mes-sage. Watch it! (Planetary, ASCAP)
- **** Wish I Were Tied to You Rocker has a slight Latin tinge. The artist gives a rhythmic reading that could catch on with the kids. (Por-

THE JAMIES **** Snow Train

trait, BMI)

EPIC 9299-The Jamies, who had a hit with "Summertime, Summertime," turn to the winter season with a happy reading of a story about riding a snow train. They sing it brightly, and it could catch coins. (Roxbury, SCAP)

*** When the Sun Goes Down

On this side the mixed group sells a listenable folkish effort with spirit and a liliting sound. It is unusual enough to get spins. (Roxbury, ASCAP)

HARVEY

**** Da Da Goo Goo

CHESS 1713-Uptempo novelty blues. Harvey's chanting is answered by a chorus. Verbal gimmicks abound, plus driving rhythm. Watch this, it can *** Sleepin' at the Foot of the Bed happen. (Arc, BMI)

*** I Want Somebody

Harvey chants this in a delicate, clearly articulated voice. There's a chorus behind him and a triplet-marked arrangement. A carefully-wrought pop side. (Figure, BMI)

DEAN & JEAN

*** We're Gonna Get Married

EMBER 1048-A fine new couple act, and they're singing in rocking style here about running away and getting married. This one really rocks in great upbeat blues style. Should be watched. (Singlow-Angel, BMI)

*** Too Young to Know

A time-honored theme gets another interesting treatment. This is the theme started by pubber Redd Evans with "Too Young," and here is a couple telling the whole tale. Duo has a fine

combo. It has a haunting sound and it could happen. Watch it. (Montauk, BMI)

*** Waitin'

Up-tempo rock and roller is sold with spirit by the group over a snappy back beat. It could get spins but the flip is more important. (Montauk, BMI)

JIM LOWE *** Come Away From His Arms DOT 15869-Smooth waltz has a strong

country feel. Lowe gives it a quality warble over soft ork support. Side can attract. (Cedarwood, BMI)

*** Play Number Theyen Peppy item is given a rhythmic reading by Lowe. Cute tune tells of gent who is advised to play number "theyen" at

the roulette table by a little cat with a gimmicked voice. (Trinky, BMI)

MARIE ADAMS *** A Fool in Love

CAPITOL 4108-A swingin' record by the gal. Miss Adams belts it with enthusiasm to a variation of a Yancey bass rhythm figure. (Eldorado, BMI)

*** What Do You Want to Make Those Eyes at Me For? An old, old standard is swung by the gal in good style. Song could come back. (Felst, ASCAP)

TENNESSEE ERNIE FORD *** Glad Rags

CAPITOL 4107-A snappy, exciting delivery by Ford with a down-to-earth, rural-type message. Great delivery by the old pea picker can certainly grab spins. (Cimarron, BMI)

A cute story written by Boudleaux Bryant refers to what happens when a fellow has too many kin folks. Has a nice novelty flavor which also rates activity. (Acuff-Rose, BMI)

JO-ANN CAMPBELL

*** Happy New Year Baby GONE 5049-Miss Campbell warbles the melody with appeal, Chorus and mild rock backing assist nicely. Chick is stating that it's been a year she won't forget. (Aldon, BMI)

*** Tall Boy

Rocker is belted in vigorous fashion by the chick. Tail boys are the ones who treat you right according to the tune. It should go as well as the flip. (Vanderbuilt, ASCAP)

FRANCIS BAY ORK r ESO ES EI AMO

few years ago, also has the hit sound. Both are strong bets to make it. Dot 15879

FOUR ESQUIRES

THE LAND OF YOU AND ME (Greta, BMI) FOLLOW ME (Greta, BMI)

The lads, who are presently scoring with "Hideaway," are good prospects to click again with either of these two strong sides. "The Land" is a pretty rockaballad, taken in shuffle-tempo with lush ork support. "Follow Me," the flip, is a slow, celestial-type ballad that is warbled Paris 526 with equal appeal.

BETTY JOHNSON

I WANT A GOOD HOME FOR MY CAT (Trinity, BMI)

YOU CAN'T GET TO HEAVEN ON ROLLER SKATES (Trinity, BMI)

The petite thrush has two potent offerings that can be her biggest yet. "I Want a Good Home for My Cat" is an infectious ditty about a lonesome gal and a lonesome cat. It has the same charm as "Doggie in the Window." "You Can't Get to Heaven" is a rollicking adaptation Atlantic 2009 of an old spiritual. Strong potential for both.

JILL COREY

I FOUND A NEW BABY (Pickwick, ASCAP)

The gal gives the evergreen a strong reading in slow, meaningful tempo. Blues-like backing enhances the fine chirping. The torchy side is an excellent jockey item, and it also has top sales prospects. It's a bit of a switch that could pay off. Flip is "My Reverie" (Robbins, Columbia 41300 ASCAP).



THE BUG, (Punch, BMI)

The "Bug" is a new dance craze that's catching on in certain areas. The kids could easily take to it in a big way. Dallman sells the topical theme, a novelty with a Latin rhythm, in vigorous style. It's already strong in the Baltimore-Washington area. Flip is "Honey Bee" (Punch, Punch 6000 BMI).

JIVE TONES

DING DING DONG (Pamco, BMI) GERALDINE (Pamco, BMI)

The crew serves up two rocking sides that could be winners. "Ding Ding Dong" is given a real pounding outing with driving rhythm support. Many ear-catching sounds are employed in the delivery. Flip, "Geraldine" also shows many vocal gimmicks. Watch 'eml Apt 25020

----- Sacred Records -----

PATSY CLINE

HE WILL DO FOR YOU (Four Star, BMI) DEAR GOD (Four Star, BMI)

The thrush comes thru with two sincere traditional type readings on these fine songs of faith. Performances on both are attractively effective. Her many fans will be pleased by these offerings. Decca 30794





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Pop Talent -----

CONNIE CONWAY **NOTHING IS FOREVER (Gregmark, BMI)** CAN IT BE? (Gregmark, BMI)

Conway impresses highly with his initial disk offering. He has a smooth style and pleasant voice. "Nothing" is a haunting rockaballad that advises about love. "Can It Be?" is also in the rockaballad groove. Both are good sides and can break out with exposure. Jamie 1113

-----Pop Disk Jockey Programming-----

TONY SCOTT

AFRICAN PENNY WHISTLE SONG (T. Scott, ASCAP)

Tony Scott, the great jazz clarinetist, has a bright, swinging side that makes for good jockey wax. The artist came across the tune on a recent African jaunt. He hands it a solid reading that can score with all listeners. Flip is "The Zulu Walk" (Vernon, ASCAP) Dot 15819

Pop Novelty -----

JESSE LEE TURNER

THE LITTLE SPACE GIRL (Longhorn, BMI)

Turner has a strong novelty side that should register strongly. It deals with a cat who chances to meet a little space girl who wants to get married. The tiny visitor from the outer regions has several arms, lips, etc., "the better to love with." The tune is cute, and it moves. Flip is "Shake, Baby, Shake" (Longhorn, BMI) Carlton 496

JERRY FIELD AND THE PHILADELPHIA LAWYERS THE TRIAL (Metz, BMI)



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version of the tune also cut by Morty Palitz and his band on Jubilee. Good jockey record. (Southern, ASCAP)

*** Paris (Cha-Cha-Cha)

A cute, bright cha cha with tricky spoken bits about inviting a mademolselle to dance. Great sound with strong novelty appeal on the popular cha cha kick. This could move with exposure. (Peer, BMI)

VINNY LEE *** Mule Train Rock

OLD TOWN 1061-Plenty of whipsnapping goes on behind this rocking instrumental with a strong down-south flavor. Great guitar and tenor work. Has some of the New Orleans strut sound. Good for boxes. (Maureen, BMI)

*** Rhumbarino

This side has something of a "Third Man" quality with guitar sounds predominating in the offering. Good sound could also catch plays. (Maureen, BMD

THE ROBINS

*** A Little Bird Told Me KNIGHT 2008-The hit of a few years ago receives a bright, happy reading from the Robins over a driving rockin' beat. Good side, has a chance, (Bourne, ASCAP)

*** It's Never Too Late

On this side the boys sell a pretty rockaballad with feeling with a strong lead coming thru with a good vocal. Flip side appears a bit stronger. (Alan-Edwards, BMD

handed a bright reading by the lass helped by a clever arrangement. This could move out. (Bourne, ASCAP)

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GARY TREXLER

*** You Made Up for Everything RCA VICTOR 7420-Feelingful vocal is accorded the pretty waltz by the talented lad. With exposure either of these sides could happen. (Trinity, BMID

*** The Look

A catchy riff backs the lad on his lintenable reading of this cute number. Cat is telling about how he was captivated by a look from a pretty chick. The kids might take to this. (Trinity, BMI)

DON RONDO

*** Song From "The Geisha Boy" JUBILEE 5354 - Pretty Oriental-type tune is given a warm reading by the artist. Tune is from the coming Jerry Lewis flick. Fine jockey item. (Paramount, ASCAP)

*** Gretna Green

Tune has a Westernish flavor. Rondo hands it a vigorous treatment against bright chorus and ork support. It can move. (Leeds, ASCAP)

THE WEAVERS *** Aunt Rhodie

VANGUARD 35005-The great folk group turn in an excellent reading of the old folk favorite. Good jockey material. Side is from their LP "The Weavers at Home." (Sanga, BMI)

*** Bury Me Rhythmic old folk melody is presented NEAL HEFTI ORK with the group's fine sound. Very spin-*** Midnight Polka nable wax with a chance, if the side CORAL 62062-Neal flefti and his new is plugged. (Sanga, BMI) band bow on the label with a medley of well-known tures in polka time. Songs include "Jingle Bells," "Oh, Dem Golden Slippers, etc. Good jockey wax. (Hefti, ASCAP) BOB BAIN *** The Old Spinning Wheel CAPITOL 4109-A rock and roll version of the old standard. Side has a *** Baby Doll/Polka nice, bright guitar sound with a mixed On this side the band comes thru with chorus. This can get plays. (Shapiroa happy polka effort which features oc-Bernstein, ASCAP) casional comments from the guys in the ork. Two good sides. (Balkan, BMI) ** Man From Casa Blanca A pleasant Latin beat outing in the cha cha vein with ork and chorus spot-LAWRENCE WELK ORK lighted. Nice listening side. (Playersville, ASCAP) *** I Never Should Have Let You Go CORAL 62056-The Welk ork switches style here to come thru with a semirockaballad version of the standard PAUL HAMPTON sung pleasanity by Larry Dean and the Sparales, His tans will want. (Von Tilzer ASCAP) *** Wish I Were Tied to You COLUMBIA 41306-A cute, mediumbeat rocker in which Hampton pays *** Cha Cha Polka A polka why what might be called a semi-cha cha beat is played and sung tribute to a young chick. Has good teen slanted lyrics that could help it move. (Portrait, BMI) brightly here by the Welk crew, Larry ★★ Don't Be Stuck Up Dean and the group handle the vocal. A bright, upbeat tune reflecting on the (Von Tilzer, ASCAP) characteristics of a chick. Good performance by Hampton. (Famous, ASCAP) MORTON DOWNEY JR. *** Proud Possession IMPERIAL 5556-Morton Downey Jr. THE ACCENTS bows on disks with a satisfactory ren-*** 22 Del Rio Avenue dering of a pretty new ballad, backed JUBILEE 5353-The group presents a warmly by the ork. He has some of cute tune about a party to be held at his dad's qualities. Sherbourne, BMI) the above address. It's done in catchy cha cha tempo. Good side for jocks, *** Boulevard of Broken Dreams too. (Melhedd, ASCAP) The fine oldie is handed a strongvoiced reading by Downey supported ** Red Light by a girl's group. Two listenable sides. Slow blues is given a modern-type go (Remick, ASCAP) by the group. Voices are used as instruments. Flip appears top side. (Reis, ASCAP) JOHNNY HASH *** Roots of Heaven ABC-PARAMOUNT 9989 - From the DON FEGER flick of the same name comes this *** Look Out Baby moody tune, sung appealingly by Johnny EBONY 103-Rockabilly blues is given Nash. Listenable side will get jockey a nice shout by the artist with sprightly plays. (Robbins, ASCAP) ork and chorus backing. Side can move with a shove. (Music Mart, BMI) *** Walk With Faith in Your Heart ** I'll Love You Song of faith is given a strong reading Feger chants the ballad-with-beat in soft by Nash on this attractive side, helped style against soft, country-type backing. by a pretty arrangement and choral Side can attract. (Music Mart, BMI) support. It's a good record that could happen. (Tee Pee, ASCAP) THE THREE SUNS

Field and associates have a zany side that can break out. It tells a story of a trial by utilizing portions of current hit tunes. It's a clever and well-recorded side that can break for big loot. Flip is "Easy Steppin" Parkway 801 (Mayland, BMI).

THE LEGAL EAGLES

THE TRIAL (Metz, BMI)

The Legal Eagles' version of the novelty will offer strong competition to the Parkway disk. Tho it's not a unique idea, the side is cleverly produced. It could be a sleeper. Flip is "Kiss Me" (Metz-Ultra, BMI). Arch 1607

----- Christmas Disk Jockey Programming ------

THE JINGOLEERS

JINGLE BELL ROCK (Cornell, ASCAP) CHRISTMAS MORN (Acuff-Rose, BMI)

The group has a smart sound on "Jingle Bell Rock," which was a big disk for Bobby Helms last year. Jocks can find it a good programming change. It's basically an instrumental side with chorus piping in now and then. Flip, "Christmas Morn" is an appealing waltz melody. It's sung by a male voice plus a harmony duo. All of the voices are speeded up somewhat in the style of the "The Chipmunk Song."

THE HARRY SIMEONE CHORALE

THE LITTLE DRUMMER BOY (Delaware, ASCAP) **DIE LORELEI (Robbins, ASCAP)**

The charming tale is read with warmth by the excellent choir. It has a contagious sound that audiences will find attractive. Flip, "Die Lorelei," is a traditional, German melody, revived in the current flick, "Fraulein." It's from the poem by Goethe. Both are good programming 20th Fox 121 sides.

-----C & W Records --

RAY PRICE

THAT'S WHAT IT'S LIKE TO BE LONESOME (Tree, BMI)

KISSING YOUR PICTURE (Cedarwood, BMI)

Price figures to click again with these two choice sides. "That's What It's Like" was cleffed by the composer of "City Lights," his current smash. Price handles the weeper in first-rate style. "Kissing Your Picture" is also in the weeper vein. The artist chants it with plenty of heart. With a shove the platter can also go pop. Columbia 41309

----- R&B Records------

JIMMY REED

ENDS AND ODDS (Conrad, BMI) I TOLD YOU, BABY (Conrad, BMI)

Reed has two great blues sides that should gather lots of r.&cb. coin, especially in the Southern markets. "Ends and Odds" is the natural follow-up to his previous click, "Odds and Ends." "I Told You, Baby" Vee Jay 304 is a slower blues, but just as powerful.

BETTY MADIGAN * Now-A-Days

CORAL 62065-Novely march effort is sung with vigor by the lass over cute backing by the ork and chorus, Will get many spins. / (Shapiro-Bernstein, ASCAP)

*** Just Like Sam

Attractive novelty item with bits of "Turkey in the Straw" thrown in is

*** Cha Cha Charleston

RCA VICTOR 7416-Infectious rhythm marks this attractive instrumental with danceable beat. Jocks should spin. (Arista, ASCAP)

** Volcano

Dramatic instrumental theme is aocorded exotic treatment with good effect and Latin tempo. (Aldon, BMI) (Continued on page 39)













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SLA DONATES \$1,500 TO FIRE IND. STATE FAIR TRAGEDY FUND

CHICAGO - The Showmen's League of America, long known for its charity, last week donated \$1,500 to the fund to relieve suffering resulting from the tragic fire that struck Lady of Angels School here Monday (1). The blaze resulted in the death of 90 students and nuns and injuries to several score more.

President Bill Carsky appointed a committee to meet with Mayor Richard Daley who is administering the fund. Sam J. Levy Sr., was named chairman of the group which includes Al Sweeney, Maurice (Lefty) Ohren, Jack Duffield and Benedict Garmisa.

CANADA 'A' FAIRS INK BARNES SHOW Wins Over Six Other Bidders;

Tampa Fair Signs Roy Rogers By HERB DOTTEN

CHICAGO --- Barnes-Carruthers Theatrical Enterprises, Chicago, was awarded the grandstand attraction contract for the Western Canada A Fair Circuit and Roy Rogers signed for 13 shows at 11-day Florida State Fair, Tampa, in February.

These were the only major developments in fair grandstand booking during the annual convention of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions, which Wednesday (3) closed here in the Hotel Sherman.

were closed, shopping by fair Springfield, Ill.; St. Paul, Topeka, executives for grandstand and coli- Hutchinson, Kan.; Oklahoma City, seum attractions was never as in- Birmingham and Shreveport) left tensive. Attraction reps and book- uncommitted, deferring action uning offices generally reported the

heaviest traffic in their suites and rooms than ever before.

A great many fair delegations left to await word from name stars or their reps or word from packaged shows on definite commitments from such attractions.

Mike North, representing Roy Rogers, flew to the West Coast following the convention's close with two possible fair routes for the Western star. The Ringling-Barnum circus emerged uncertain which of two possible routes to take, and with the fairs involved awaiting word

The circuit of Midwest and While few grandstand contracts Southern fairs (Ionia, Mich.; (Continued on page 44)

Showfolk Frolic At SLA Banquet

Jack Duffield Awarded Gold Card; Honor Hal Eifort, Carl SedImayr Sr., Patty Conklin

CHICAGO -- Outdoor show business, good food, top entertainbusiness tossed off its cares here ment and a minimum of speeches. Wednesday night (3), donned its High points included the prebest bib and tucker and celebrated senation to outgoing president in large numbers at the 46th an- Jack Duffield with a gold life nual Banquet and Ball of the Show- membership card by his father, men's League of America held in Frank, who was SLA president in the ballroom of the Hotel Sher- 1940. Hal Eifort was awarded a plaque for his fund-raising activiman. ties, and Carl Sedlmayr Sr., and The festivities were marked by W. (Patty) Conklin received banquet and ball hosting the fair ing the Florida State Fair. At the presentation of awards for awards for their chairmanship of (Continued on page 45) service to the League and the the clubhouse plaque committee. Gene Autry was on hand to receive the annual award as "Showman of the Year" and spoke briefly in thanks. Much applause greeted Bill Carsky, new president of the League. Herb Shriner, TV comic, served as toastmaster and introduced those at the speaker's table. League officials on the platform, in addition to Duffield and Carsky, were Paul Olson, first vice-president; Ed Sopenar, second vicepresident; Lou Dufour, third vice-(Continued on page 44) Mad Mouse, first displayed and **IMCA** Elects bought by the Olson Shows, also In all, there were a couple of earned action, and the firm remillion dollars' worth of contracts ported having 17 deposits for it. written at the trade show this time Olson purchased a second one and Virgil Miller Gooding Amusement Company ordered three. E. D. McCrary is getting delivery on a Mad Mouse this month. The Steam Train will go **'59 President** to Bob Heath, of Audubon Zoo Railroad, New Orleans, which already has three G16 trains. W. D. CHICAGO -- Virgil Miller, sec-Pavalon, of Capital Courts Kiddieland, Milwaukee, bought a tworetary of the Kansas State Fair, Hutchinson, was elected president Herschell's Helicopter ride will of the International Motor Contest of orders coming on the eve of the go to Rocco Amusement Company Association at its annual board of season, with requests for early de- of Chicago. The unit, of which 89 directors meeting here Monday were placed in the field over the (1). He succeeds Joe Monsour, In terms of dollar volume the last two years, will have another Louisiana State, Fair, Shreveport, Allan Herschell and Ben Schiff big season at the plant on the basis who was named to the board of directors.

INDIANAPOLIS-The Good-| can make available an area of sufing Amusement Company, bidding ficient size for such an operation. against the Cetlin & Wilson Shows, for years the supplier of midway attractions at the Indiana State Fair, Friday (5) was awarded the fair's 1959 midway contract.

been on the fair's midway for more than 10 years, excepting one year-1954-when the Gooding organiza- tation for Cetlin & Wilson. tion played the fair.

show have a Mad Mouse in its history for its Number 1 unit. line-up and also present a name The show will close at the fair star in a Western show.

ent of the main midway if the fair prevue at the fair there.

The site contemplated is immediately adjacent to the main midway.

Floyd E. Gooding, president, and Hal Eifort made the presenta-The Cetlin & Wilson Shows had tion to the fair board on behalf of the contract winner. Izzy Cetlin and Jack Wilson made the presen-

The signing of the fair here Terms of the Gooding contract gives the Gooding organization by include the provisions that the far the strongest fair route in its

here on a Thursday and have Additionally, the show agreed ample time to move and set up in to set up a Kiddieland, independ- Knoxville for a Saturday night

Western Fair Assn. Names Waite Prexy

600 Turn Out for Annual Meet; **Elect Three New Board Members**

By SAM ABBOTT LOS ANGELES-Stuart Waite sen as president of the Western Fairs Association as it concluded its 36th annual meeting at the Biltmore Hotel here Thursday (4). Waite, secretary-manager of the Yolo County Fair in Woodland, Calif., takes over the presidency from Jensen, secretary-manager of the Lassen County Fair, Susanville, on January 1. Also elected were A. G. Marquardt, secretary-manager of the Antelope Valley Fair and Alfalfa Festival, Lancaster, Calif.; Duane (Spike) Hennessy, manager of the Multnomah County Fair, Gresham, Ore., and Roy Welch, secretary-manager of the Yuba-Sutter Fair, Yuba City, Calif., both of whom were named directors.

the "12-fair-mart show" with exwas elected to succeed A. A. Jen- hibits of WFA's activities as well conventions. as commercial displays. lighted by a trip to Disneyland- Fairs and Expositions left here were spotted with social events. without making any commitments There were trips to Warner Bros. on the site of its '59 convention. movie studio and Pacific Ocean By unanimous action, Thursday Park in Santa Monica. Thursday (4), its regular post-convention night featured the Pacific Coast meeting was suspended until Feb-Showmen's Association annual ruary when it will reconvene durindustry.

Hotel Promises Better Service For '59 Meets

CHICAGO - Post-convention meetings with officials of the Hotel Sherman brought assurances from them that there would be no further trouble about reservations A feature of the convention was made by park, fair and show people for the annual outdoor

However, the board of directors

Louis S. Merrill was re-appointed WFA general manager, and Rose Links, secretary.

Meeting was attended by more than 600 members, service members and directors. Highlights included talks by Dr. Rufus von KleinSmid, University of Southern California chancellor, and Art Linkletter, TV personality and member of Vandeburg - Linkletter, Inc., which assisted in the initial planning of the multi-million dollar California State Fair and Exposition in its new site in 1961.

Dr. von KleinSmid spoke on "Educational Horizons for Fairs" at the Wednesday luncheon and Linkletter at the International fair luncheon on Thursday.

Dr. von KleinSmid approached fairs from the service angle and Linkletter from the financial point.

"Because of the outstanding job fairs are doing to educate, the California Legislature will continue to support them as in the past," the chancellor predicted.

Linkletter said there were too many fairs in California and that some would have to be eliminated. He suggested that fairs do something spectacular in the way of attractions and exhibits, spend more money individually and collectively and become first class. He predicted that within the foreseeThe five days-Friday was high- of the International Association of

C. G. (Pete) Baker, Oklahoma Schiff's entire floor display of State Fair, Oklahoma City, was

Also on the board are Douglas Lloyd Cunningham, Iowa State Cerbini and Razzano will get Fair; R. H. McIntosh, Alabama

Millions in Rides and Units Sold at NAAPPB Trade Show **New Devices Win Attention and** Orders; Lag in Traffic Seen

By IRWIN KIRBY

CHICAGO -- The hubbub typical of the annual trade show here was somewhat stilled this year, but for many of the ride and equipment suppliers there were encouraging results as outdoor show people window shopped and, in considerable cases, made purchases, A partial rundown of sales will be given and supplemented in coming weeks as reports come in.

As has been proven by experiences of recent years, interest was highest in the new devices, some of which carry relatively high price tags. The showmen again demonstrated anxiety about getting on the early delivery lists in order to win revenue from novel units.

For carnival and independent operators this desire was heightened with the knowledge that they can often write their own tickets in bookings when they have a unit which is not in the field in great numbers. At this stage it is plain that for a couple of years, at least, the edge will not be taken off such novel innovations as the Mouse units, which several firms are offering.

multi-body Carrousels, which sold posure. Jack Robinson also ordered well this time, there were advances a Jumping Jupiter for operation at made in the more massive German the Canadian National Exhibition. rides.

Millions Written Up

despite what veteran observers termed a decline in attendance. Some figured this was caused by the airline labor troubles. There was encouraging spending, however, and for all exhibitors there now comes the traditional period of waiting for mail and telephone calls with final decisions by convention shoppers. It is expected there will seater Brownie Tractor ride. be the usual manufacturers' gripe livery.

Associates firms took the greatest of orders on hand. strides, giving both an exceptionally bright outlook for 1959. Herschell went into the convention with its best backlog of orders ever and had its new Jumping Jupiter, Mad Mouse, 1865 Steam Train and other units on display. The first Flying Coaster was bought by Peck Mouse rides. It appears that imported rides Amusements, which will operate it

Schiff Display Bought

Belgian kiddie ride bodies was renamed vice-president, and John bought by the Millers for Fairy- E. Libby, Minnesota State Fair, land Park, Lvons, Ill. Gross sales St. Paul, secretary-treasurer. topping \$500,000 are indicated in the 11 claimed orders for Wild K. Baldwin, Minnesota State Fair;



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A TRUE REPRESENTATIVE of the fair business is Judy Barger, 18, of Huntingdon, Tenn., who was named "Queen of Queens" at the convention of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions last week in Chicago, Miss Barger, who was selected Miss Tennessee County Fair early this year by the Association of Tennessee Fairs, is the final selection in a five-State contest in which some 3,000 contestants vied. Her first title was Miss Carroll County Fair. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Barger, of Huntingdon, and is a freshman at Memphis State University.

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of the conventioners. Other business will be lopped off, if necessary, Bowman reported.

He said the park association is committed to returning to the hotel by a contract with several years to run and that 1959 papers will be executed as soon as the hotel prepares them.

National Amusement Device Company display, featuring its Roller Coaster cars, tracked and trackless trains and Funhouse mirrors, drew heavy patronage. Bill de L'horbe reported the purchase of a 26-foot-high Intermediate Coaster by Topeka (Kan.) Kiddieland with 1,400 feet of track. About 15 of the Pygmy trackless trains are expected to be contracted, plus 18 Coaster cars and 10 smaller trains.

Frank Hrubetz reported \$127,-000 worth of conversion unit orders to transform Spitfire rides into Paratroopers. One set is going to Amusements of America, which also added King's Baby Coaster and Tugboat Ride. The show also purchased a pair of 60 kw. light plants from Charley Lenz, a set of 12 Lusse Skooter cars and a Stacy Johnson Skooter building to be delivered in June. Hrubetz also sold a set of Paratrooper cars to Bill Howard with the James E. Strates Shows, and a complete ride to the Velare brothers.

Harry Prince's German Merry-Go-Round was sold to Playland, Rye, N. Y.; Whalom Park, Fitchburg, Mass.; Mountain Park, Holyoke, Mass., and three to Sol Rubel, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

Ottaway Amusement Company took a larger booth and displayed its new Rocketliner train. By show's end production which will put eight of these units in the field by summer was all spoken for.

The Sellner firm sold Tilt-a-Whirls to Hale's Shows of Tomorrow, Norman Carpenter, St. Marys, O., and Ken Davis, Biloxi, Miss. There are eight orders to be closed for in coming weeks.

Good Results for Eli

Eli Bridge Company had one of its better trade show visits, cementing old friendships and adding to its already lengthy Scrambler waiting list. Eighty of the powerful whirling units are in the field now, and production has been stepped up to allow another 25 to be put in action during 1959, Ben Roodhouse reported.

73, retired manager of the Western Fair, London, Ont., November 27 in London. (Details in Outdoor department.)

McMACKEN-Norris,

47, longtime active in the rodeo field, November 27, in a Spokane, Wash., hospital. A member of the Rodeo Cowboys Association, he had been active in the rodeo management field and had been associated with Gene Autry. Survivors include his widow, three sons, his mother, two sisters and three brothers.

THOMPSON-Marion,

53, concessionaire of Beardstown, Ill., November 30 in Beloit, Wis., following a stroke. In past years he had trouped with the J. L. Landes, West Bros., World of Today, Home State, Northern Exposition, World of

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bara Reed, daughter of James Reed, popcorn concessionaire with Byers Bros.' Shows, October 2 in Lake Charles, La.

Streamliner for Riverside Park, Agawam, Mass. The train is also going to Belmont Park, San Diego. Marvin Staton's new Jalopy Dark Ride unit with 15 gags is being delivered this month. Arrow's Dark Ride car production is sold for this season.

Everly Aircraft Company reported the sale of a Rock-o-Plane to M. H. Zimmerman of Chain-of-Rocks, an Octopus to Ernie Farrow, Rock-o-Plane to A. J. Carl and others to be completed soon. Interest was highest in the portable units, Jack Eyerly noted.

Ohio Mechanical Handling Company showed its domestic Monorail

Elsewhere on the floor there





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Bill Muar Elected NAAPPB President

Fritz Is Kiddieland Director; **Platt Represents Pools, Beaches**

of Roseland Park, Canandaigua, town, Pa., first; Larry Stone, Para-N. Y., was elected president of the gon Park, Nantasket Beach, Mass., National Association of Amusement second, and Robert A. Guenther, activities. A projects committee Parks, Pools and Beaches at the Olympic Park, Maplewood, N. J., will be named to outline the proconvention here last week. He third. succeeds William B. Schmidt, of Riverview Park, Chicago.

HONOR TWO **AREA Keeps** '58 Officers, **Sees Picture**

CHICAGO-Aurel Vaszin, of National Amusement Device Company, and Clarence Latscha, of The ciation. Billboard, were honored for long service to the association and in- tives of the association at large dustry by the American Recre- are George W. Long, Dreamland ational Equipment Association at its Park, Rochester, N. Y.; Lawrence annual banquet here Monday (1).

re-elect the 1958 officers. They Euclid Beach Park, Cleveland, and are Lyndon Wilson, of Allan Her- Fred Pearce Jr., Walled Lake Park, schell Co., president; John Allen, Detroit. of Philadelphia Toboggan Co., vice- These six directors fill vacancies Stapf and Bally firms last week. president; Ben Roodhouse, of Eli left by the expiration of terms of Bridge, Co., secretary, and Fred L. Plarr, Guenther, Stone, Schmidt, three ride companies were recog-Markey, of Dodgem Corporation, Jack Singhiser of Fontaine Ferry treasurer. New directors are Dick Park at Louisville, and George K. Robertson of Allan Herschell Whitney Jr., of Whitney's, San (Continued on page 47) Francisco.

CHICAGO-William W. Muar, | Robert Plarr, Dorney Park, Allen-

John S. Bowman was elected to his second term as association exec- to align the association closely Elected vice-presidents were utive secretary, and A. L. Filograsso returns as treasurer. The officers were elected by the board of the association. Another project of directors Tuesday (2).

New Directors operator, of Melrose Park, Ill., was interest will be made. elected to the association's board of directors as the first representa-

the business. tion of the association. He has been active in NAAPPB and organized the Participating Sports Asso-

Directors elected as representa-Canfield, Santa Cruz Beach, Santa AREA members also voted to Cruz, Calif.; Dudley Humphrey,



CHICAGO—NAAPPB directors meeting here last week set up plans for expanding the association posed program.

Likely to be included is a plan with the National Safety Council and increase the safety activities would involve establishing a group insurance plan for employees of Arthur Fritz, pioneer kiddieland member parks, and a survey of

The directors voted a resolution commending John S. Bowman for tive of the kiddieland segment of his work as secretary. They amended his contract to provide a general Vernon Platt, of Somerton salary as before and to discontinue Springs Swim Club, Feasterville, the arrangement by which the sec-Pa., was elected to the board to retary shared in the volume done represent the Beach and Pool sec- by the trade show and manual.

Herschell Gets Award For Exhibit

CHICACO - Four exhibit awards at the annual NAAPPB trade show were bestowed on the Allan Herschell, Coca-Cola, Lowell Massive equipment spreads by nized, in competition for the John R. Davies Award for the most meritorious exhibit of the entire show. Herschell showed many of its ride components, including the new Steam Train, Jumping Jupiter and Mad Mouse rides. Honorable mentions went to B. A. Schiff and Associates and National Amusement Device Corporation, which also featured ride bodies.

MORE THAN 700 **NAAPPB** Fete Pulls **Hefty Attendance**

CHICAGO --- More than 700 members and friends of the National Association of Amusement Parks, Pools and Beaches found their annual Hotel Sherman banquet enlivened by the awarding of door prizes last Tuesday (2). Two fullweek resort stays were the choice plums. Other satisfaction came from a steak dinner.

An eight-act show was provided by GAC-Hamid.

A room for two at Fort Montagu Beach Hotel, Nassau, was won by Russ Pace, of Suburban Park, Manlius, N.Y. A room for two at the Eden Roc Hotel, Miami Beach, was won by Mrs. Nate Faber, of Coney Island, N.Y.

NBOA Announces Publicity, Contest For Early 1959

CHICAGO-Otto Weber, of the National Ballroom Operators Association, announced at the NAAPPB convention here that NBOA will start a public relations program in the spring of 1959. He said it would be handled by a principal agency.

He also revealed the NBOA will assist the musicians' union in handling of a band contest in early

The turnout was estimated at some 200 persons more than last year in the grand ballroom.

Carrolo Gets Hand

One of the association's veteran members. Joe Carrolo, was introduced. Observing his 81st birthday, Carrolo, of Rhode Island, is dean of the nation's Merry-Go-Round operators. Also introduced were George and Cloria Sinclair, of Meyers Lake Park, Canton, observing their eighth wedding anniversary.



CHICAGO-Winners of awards for their presentations at the convention sessions of the NAAPPB included:

O. C. Holland, of the Interchemical Corporation, who spoke about "Magic of Color," the N. S. Alexander Award for the "finest presentation on a subject dealing with parks or piers." An honorable

Kiddielanders Turn Out For Convention Sessions

turned out for the NAAPPB's special sessions for kiddieland operators here last week. Arthur Fritz, Melrose Park, Ill., and Jimmie Thompson, Alexandria, La., were the chairmen.

Bill Schmidt, NAAPPB president, Lynson Wilson, AREA president, and Jim McHugh, Funspot editor, greeted the kiddiclanders at their opening meeting Tuesday (2). John S. Bowman, NAAPPB secretary, also took part.

Kicking off the program was James Conklin of Brantford, Ont., who spoke about the general operation and basic needs of a kiddieland and pointed out the great opportunities ahead for the business.

Thompson and Herb Youtie, Pennsylvania kiddieland operator, described the kiddie areas spotted on the NAAPPB tour of Europe in September. A panel took on questions with the invitation, "What's Your Problem?"

On the second day (3), a panel discussed food and drink problems. On the panel were Waddy Platt, Coca-Cola; Bert Nathan, park man and member of National Association of Concessionaires; Spiro J. Papas, theater chain owner and NAC member; Philip L. Lowe, who has his own company and is president of NAC; and Norman Wasser, Pepsi-Cola.

CHICAGO --- Good attendance resentative also discussed proper frying procedures.

> Charles Mack, insurance man, discussed group insurance plans. The sessions won response from the floor and the second day's was held over after the scheduled closing time to allow for further discussions.

Other awards were as follows, with the winner listed first, followed by honorable mention listings:

Wilson Award for the most meritorious exhibit of equipment or supplies-Coca-Cola, Globe Ticket Company, and Krispy Kist Korn Machine Company.

most meritorious display of new tion.

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1959, with finals scheduled for mention was given A. J. Claxton, (Continued on page 47) Easter time.

Beach-Pool, NAAPPB **Co-Operation Hyped**

sessions of the NAAPPB conven- cussion taking up such topics as problems of creating greater co- and claim prevention thru safety. operation between the branch and An early adjournment was called the parent organization.

Bowman, NAAPPB executive sec- party later in the day. retary, also discussed relationships

of NAAPPB and Platt's independ-D. S. Humphries Award, for the ent Participating Sports Associa-

First-day beach and pool sessions

CHICACO-Beach and Pool Monday (1) included a panel distion here last week took up the health codes, better engineering, so members could attend the full Vernon D. Platt, general chair- NAAPPB executive session. There man of the sessions, and John was a Beach and Pool cocktail

> On Tuesday (2) the morning sessions drew another good turnout and heard a discussion of group insurance plus a report on the NAAPPB European tour. Pool operators Platt ...nd James Bateman, Oklahoma City, showed pictures and commented on European pools.

Pool promotions for the past year also were discussed.

Final morning's meeting (3) had a presentation about new methods of artificial respiration. It was given by James H. Carnahan of the American Red Cross. Further panel discussions followed.

Ray Says Giant Rides Could Play Route of Parks

CHICAGO--That big rides like Velares' Double Sky Wheel might some day be used by parks like free acts are handled today was foreseen by John Ray, of San Diego's Belmont Park.

At the convention here last week Ray said the Sky Wheel at his park proved to be a big attraction and yet it did not hurt business done by other rides.

He said he believed giant riding devices like this could play stands of a few weeks at each of several

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40th Park Convention Brings Top Crowds, Wide Interest

By TOM PARKINSON

convention of the National Association of Amusement Parks, Pools and Beaches drew capacity crowds at most sessions here Monday (1) thru Wednesday (3). Program included talks by members and allied specialists on park topics.

Program chairman was Jack Singhiser, of Fontaine Ferry Park, Louisville, with President William B. Schmidt, Riverview Park, Chicago, presiding in business sessions.

An executive session Monday opened with committee reports paced by Secretary John S. Bowman's account of the year's activities. He mentioned the European tour, re-examination of the budget improvement of bulletins, participation in NIRA, helping on tax They discussed the pricing, siz- reduction problems, and studies of

CHICAGO --- Fortieth annual the value of NAAPPB to kiddielanders, pool operators and AREA. Lawrence Canfield said the Locations and Exhibits Committee found general satisfaction among



He outlined moves to increase trade show exhibitors. The treasurer reported a profitable year.

> John Logan Campbell spoke about the trend for juries to give outsized damage judgments, and Harry Batt reported on the government activities committee's work. Banquet Chairman Bill Muar reported on plans for that and other social events. Fred McFalls reported on Exhibit Awards Committee actions.

President's Report

Outgoing president William B. Schmidt's address touched on NAAPPB activities in co-operation with other groups, and he thanked Paul Huedepohl, former secretary; Bowman, and the new association office staff.

Broader association activities were predicted by Schmidt, who parks in a season with the park



ROLLER RUMBLINGS

Truemans Score Thru Marion Press Layout

about their method.

Jim Ward. Along with the article making for further expansion. was a double-page Idyl Wyld ad which should do a powerful job ments responsible for its strength of selling the rink as an excellent is a strong and active membership community establishment for youth of the Marion Skating Club, run of the city.

with Rink-Cote finish, pictures of dustrial and military groups. the luxurious entrance lobby and club - TV room, another photo showing the rink's main lobby and small portion of its seating capacity, and a shot of the rink cafeteria clear the floor, and have the group that appears to contain the most skating within two hours from the modern equipment.

The second page carried a reprint of testimonial letters from a church and the Salvation Army, a photo of Jack Becker, rink professional; a picture of Marion Skating Club officers, shots of the rink sales room and skate repair shop, and other photos showing children at a 10-cent Saturday matinee, a merit badges in roller skating.

traits of the Truemans, stated that vice-president. the rink has been hailed by the United Rink Operators on State and national levels as "a leading example of what a well-run community rink should be," and called the skatery a byword "both here and in eight surrounding counties." The senior Trueman came to Marion in 1926, the article relates, to work for a local concern. In 1936 he opened a swimming pool and had park facilities at the present site of Idyl Wyld, but closed the pool in 1942. The rink was started in 1937. The first building

MARION, Ind. -- When the was a 100 by 140-foot structure greater interest in the recreation, In The Marion Chronicle-Tribune and in 1955 the building was enof November 23 the rink was the larged to its present size, 140 by subject of a long feature article by 200 feet. Plans are now in the

Not the least of the rink's eleentirely by parents. More than 300 One page of pictures carrying members are on the club's roll, the line "Mothers, for 22 Years We | with more than 700 youngsters en-Have Given Your Son and Daugh- rolled in skating classes. In all, ter a Clean, Respectable Place to some 2,500 skaters patronize the Play," showed the rink's attractive rink each week. Patrons and party entrance and parking lot, a shot groups of the rink vary from social of its 70 by 160-foot maple floor and school groups to church, in-

Two years ago facilities were expanded to the point where personnel can serve an annual Christmas banquet to more than 300 guests, time they sit down at the tables.



Beatrice Foods, whose topic was "You Gotta Make a Profit."

John R. Singhiser, Fontaine main expressways. The project Ferry Park, winning the Andrew sponsors are Cabot, Cabot & school skating party, and Girl S. McSwigan Award for outstand- Forbes, Boston management firm; Scouts at work on tests for their ing service during the year. He Child Life Magazine, and Breck's was chairman of the European of Boston, landscape specialists. The article, almost two columns tour group and program chairman The 80-acre tract will be de- of early equipment used in the in length and carrying large por- at the convention as well as a John E. Philips, Dayton, O., receiving the A. R. Hodge Award for the best presentation of a subject dealing with pools and beaches. Dudley Humphrey, Euclid Beach Park, Cleveland, the Harry J. Batt Award for the outstanding presentation on a subject dealing with promotion.

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TIE-INS PROVE POPULAR

Successful Promotions Described By 10 Operators; Prexies Speak

events of 1958.

American Shetland Pony Club and motion. operated for a second year in 1958. remainder of the days.

father and son team of Dewey and that was enlarged in 1950 to 190- ful promotions at parks thruout the Fridays the pier instituted Cowboy at the park. A survey showed 52 Kenneth Trueman, operators of foot length. Strict enforcement of country sparked interest at the Mornings in which special tickets per cent of the excursion-takers Idyl Wyld Roller Rink here, take rink conduct, a fair admittance NAAPPB convention at the Hotel give kids a Western movie at half had not been to Playland before steps to publicize their establish- price and special offers to church Sherman last week. Ten park price, door prizes and other bene- and that they came from areas of ment, there's nothing half-hearted and school classes began to create operators described their special fits. Typical Friday attendance the city not previously tapped. was upped from 2,000 in 1954 to Don Dazey, LeSoursville Lake, 6,000 in 1958. A different method Middletown, O., told about his of distributing the tickets was used San Antonio, outlined a five-year Pony Show, set up thru the each of the four years of the pro- tie-in with a grocery chain in which

The three-day event opened about land, New York, described the deal ets, while the park makes its only noon and drew large crowds, most- by which the park and the New price cut of the year for ride ly children, to the park for the York transit authority co-operated tickets. The annual event now in the operation of excursion trains gives the park its second best day's George Hamid Jr., Steel Pier, from midtown New York to the business of the year and the

Proposed Boston Park Plans Spring Opening

have its first "Disney-type amusement center" by next Memorial Day, when the tourist attraction will open under the name of Pleasure Island in Wakefield, a community 20 miles to the north of the Hub.

The park anticipates a million visitors yearly and is situated just off Route 128, one of the area's

BOSTON--New England will | ing up from one of the man-made lakes in the park.

> Clipper Cove buildings will include a sail loft, chowder house, shipping office, seaport store, ship model house, coffee house and country store. Cactus Flats, a frontier town of the Old West, will occupy another section.

There will be a place for prospectors to try panning gold and park. a narrow-gauge railway thru Western territory. A shipwrecked raft ride to hunt for buried treasure in pirates' coves is planned.

New England dairy farm. A exhibit first the park gave a prize to each

CHICAGO--Recaps of success- to fill the light business periods on the train ride plus several rides

Johnson's Tie-In

Jimmy Johnson, Playland Park, the stores advertise Handy Andy Richard Geist, Rockaway's Play- Day and distribute 2,000,000 tick-Atlantic City, N. J., pointed out that park. Tickets were \$1.55 and gave month's business before that is better.

Marvin Staton, Springlake Park, Oklahoma City, reported his park's "TV Day." Performers from station WKY come to the park and sponsor various events there. Bagpipers sirens, and fireworks add. A Mobile unit telecasts live pick-ups. There are talent contests, autograph parties, and free acts. The day now gives the park "a second Fourth of July."

Don Becker, Pleasure Beach, Bridgeport, Conn., told about his School's Out Party, which was sponsored by the mayor; about a program to benefit mentally retarded children, and about a newspaper published by and for the

Simmons, Humphrey

Arthur R. Simmons, Crescent Park, Riverside, R. I., told of a Kids' Parade started with co-oper-Other attractions will include a ation of the school authorities. At child in the march, but the number grew so great in a few years that new arrangements had to be made. Dudley Humphrey, Euclid Beach, Cleveland, described Coca-Cola Family Day, in which Coke paid a flat fee for the park and publicized the event widely among the public and Coke employees. The park cut its prices on rides and on Coke. Together they drew a big crowd, only to be rained out. Lawrence Stone, Paragon Park, Nantasket Beach, Mass., mapped a tie-in in which a 98-store chain distributed 500,000 tickets and 30 per cent of the ducats were used. In a 12-day period, the gross went Stressing that the amusement fronts, ticket boxes and landscap- and 25 per cent on games. About advertising and the park gave free rides on certain units. **Presidents' Panel** Julian Norton, Lake Compounce, Bristol, Conn., told about a date played at his park by the Tommy Bartlett Water Show, which drew 30,000 on a Wednesday, July 9. The promotions session was Tuesday (2). On the following day the Past Presidents' Panel discussed a number of questions about park operation. Taking part Wednesday were Edward L. Schott, Coney Island, Cincinnati; Harry Batt, Pontchartrain, New Orleans; Edward J. Carroll, Riverside Park, Agawam, Mass.; Don Dazey, LeSourdsville Lake, Middletown, ; John L. Coleman, Riverview Park, Indianapolis, and Bill Schmidt, Riverview Park, Chicago.

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Plaque to New York

The Association awarded a plaque to the New York City Transit Authority for its participation . Continued from page 46 with Rockaway Playland in operation of excursion trains from Manhattan to the park. Charles L. Patterson, chairman of transit authority, received the award and addressed the association. He cited the traction company origins of many parks in this country.

Honor Two

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Company and Arthur Sellner, of Sellner Manufacturing Company. Guest speaker was Roger Franz, whose topic was "Thirty Minutes to a Better Memory." Bill Schmidt, retiring NAAPPB president, and were introduced. Bowman stayed tour of Europe.

Wilson reported on progress made by NAAPPB and AREA in tion, he said. working out trade show hitches. A summer meeting of officers of the not a quiet and dignified response, years. He reported his survey, still two groups was disclosed and another meeting was set for late last colorful design. One should be capita spending at those installaweek.



Arrow Development Company.

signed by C. V. Wood Jr., of railroad, transportation and con-Marco Engineering, Los Angeles. struction fields will be known as An artist's conception of Pleasure | Engine City. Island features a reproduction of Also planned is a car parking lot a New England village whaling with capacity for 3,000 cars, a port called Clipper Cove and a restaurant capable of serving 2,200 hunt for the Great White Whale. persons an hour. It is figured that Whaling boats will carry visitors some 400 will be hired to man on a chase which ends with a the establishment from May thru 70-foot replica of Moby Dick roar- September.

Meet Pulls Crowds, Interest

safety, group insurance and other projects.

park business is an expanding field, ing at such parks as Lagoon, Pacific 10,000 came daily. Stores did the Schmidt declared the spots, stand Ocean, Coney Island at Cincinnati to gain in forthcoming business and Pontchartrain Beach. booms if they continue to be known for safety and novelty in amuse- A J. Claxton's dissertation on "You ment.

Corporation, New York, demon- pointed out features of employee strated "Magic of Color" with relations and stated that "managevisual aids and pointed up how ment means dealing with people color combinations may be determined.

Ray on Design

John Ray, scenic designer and operator of Belmont Park, San of The Billboard Publishing Com-John Bowman, NAAPPB secretary, Diego, Calif., advocated unusual pany and publisher of Funspot, inand forceful design for parks but troduced Thomas Lea Davidson, on to narrate the showing of a film warned against frilly detail. who has been compiling results of a taken during the NAAPPB's recent Decide first what you want to survey made by Funspot in the accomplish, who you want to ap-| amusement field. peal to, before starting construc-

Theme Park Plans

Harry Batt Jr. narrated a collection of slides that illustrated up 50 per cent on refreshments

Kicking off the second day was Gotta Make a Profit," in which O. C. Holland, Interchemical the Beatrice Foods executive and it takes management to make a profit."

Funspot's Survey

Maynard Reuter, vice-president

Davidson reiterated the prospects for great increases in popu-Ray urged that park man seek lation and in leisure time in coming but to create anticipation with big, in progress, is showing that per modern even when designing a pe- tions replying to the survey is riod piece, he stated. Fronts should about 98 cents to \$1. He said be built with the idea they will be the principal spenders are white replaced in a few seasons, he add- collar workers between the ages ed. Ray also showed movies of of 30 and 39, with college degrees

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Cristiani Contracts **Philadelphia Shrine**

Repeats Lighthouse Lot Set-Up; Add Day to Run; Schedule Parade

Bros. Circus and the Shrine spring engagement here in 1959. Temple here have contracted for

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Mills Changes Last of Seats To Wagon Type

CHICAGO-Mills Bros. Circus announced here last week that it has purchased the trucks to complete a switch-over to seat wagons. With four units now being built and 11 on hand, the show will be the first to have all seats on wagons.

Co-owner Jack Mills announced he will go to Europe shortly to see the holiday circuses in England, LAKEFRONT Germany and elsewhere, and he will return about January 1.

Next season's show will be billed as the 20th anniversary edition. New sidewalls, banners, marquee and concession canvas will be used along with the big top that was bought new in mid-season last

PHILADELPHIA --- Cristiani the show to repeat the major The transaction was handled by Howard Y. Bary, associate of the

circus. The show will play the regular Lighthouse grounds, with the independent midway alongside operated independently of the circus itself.

Stand will open Sunday, May 24, and close on May 31, giving it one more day than last year, with two Sundays instead of one. There are plans for a street parade in which the Shrine's 60-horse mounted unit will participate. Publicity plans are scheduled to include a Fifty-Year-Ago club in which contestants will win circus tickets for describing parades they saw a half century ago.

Cristiani will play the engagement under canvas. Plans call for using a larger tent than last year's and for increased seating capacity.

Beatty-Cole Show Seeking Chicago

CHICAGO MEET DRAWS CIRCUS

CHICAGO - Several circuses were represented at the outdoor show business conventions here last week. Among the shows and their principal representatives were:

Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey, General Manager Art Concello and General Agent Paul Eagels.

Clyde Beatty & Cole Bros. Circus, Manager Walter Kernan and General Agent Floyd King.

Harold Bros. Circus, Manager Harold Voise with Dick Slayton and George Hubler. Mills Bros. Circus, Co-

Owner Jack Mills and agent George (Larry) Lawrence.

Al C. Kelly & Miller Bros. Circus, General Agent Art Miller.

Polack Bros. Circus, Sam Polack, general agent, with Mickey Blue, Sam Ward, and other promotion managers.

Hamid - Morton Circus, George Hamid, owner.

Bailey Bros. Circus, Bob Stevens, owner.

Mexico to Sarasota OWNERS, AGENTS Jump for Ringling

Will Go to Quarters for 2 Weeks After Mexico City Holiday Run

CHICAGO-Ringling Bros. and | clined to compare it with last year's Barnum & Bailey Circus will go to business. Sarasota after it completes its agent, conferred here.

co City Friday (4) and stay at least of business will decide the length of the stay there as it has in playing other cities in Mexico.

show's promotion man in Mexico held it over for six days in Torreon, where three were scheduled, and that it was playing 10 days in the other three towns. However, at the same time business in Mexico was described only as "all right," with the implication that it was better than closing down for December as nearly every other show does.

Reopen at Miami

The stay in Sarasota quarters is planned for January 5-20.

After that Ringling will go to Diego. Miami, where it is scheduled to play the new Exhibition Hall for circus tradition with plenty of January 23-February 1.

Montgomery, Ala., is to follow Miami, according to present plans, Turner, owns it. and an earlier date for Shreveport, La., has been changed to a time after the Montgomery appearance.

Paul Eagles was in touch with Mexico City engagement. This was | numerous fair executives here durdecided here when Art Concello, ing the outdoor conventions. Conmanager, and Paul Eagles, general cello said he was in the city to contact a few acts. Among those The show was to open in Mexi- he contracted here were an animal act and an acrobatic act, it was

until December 28 and probably reported. Al Dobritch also was in until about December 31. Volume touch with the Ringling manager.

ng other cities in Mexico. It was learned here that the Hard Luck Dogs Turner; To Try Again

LA JOLLA, Calif. -- Turner Bros. Dog & Pony Show will make another attempt in 1959 after having an initial short and unprofitable run that ended in Calexico after a few dates in and around San

The show, bedecked in true color, was besieged by trouble, said Percy Turner, who with Joy

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year.

Show recently was in Columbus sity.

and it is contracted well into the picture. season. Show is making some flatprice sales, including some in district representatives and manrepeat stands and some in the agement of the Chez Paree night Chicago suburban area.

papers in connection with ele- Cole Bros. Circus now is actively sidered recently by Mills Bros. phants it donated for use in a seeking the Chicago lake front en- Circus. It includes a lengthy stand circus party at Ohio State Univer- gagement. Manager Walter Ker- on the lake front lot this summer H. W. Ahrhart and George conventions, also was in conferenc negotiations, it was understood Lawrence are booking the show, with key figures in the lake front that the show would seek a guaran-

> These include the Chicago park for. club here. Being discussed was a

CHICACO --- Clyde Beatty & plan similar in outline to that connan, in the city for the outdoor and a guarantee. In the Beatty tee larger than Mills had asked

> Late last week there was no indication as to status of the talks, except that no decision had been reached. Kernan left Chicago Wednesday (3).

> He also had discussed certain principal fair dates as a possibility for the Beatty-Cole show.

> Cristiani Bros. Circus played the lakefront last year. Previously only Ringling-Barnum had made it in modern times. It is assured that Cristiani Bros. remain in the complex running for the 1959 engagement.

Packs Announces Acts, **Plans for Havana Date**

NEW ORLEANS --- Plans for trapeze; the Gaonas, comedy cast-Tom Packs' Circus in Havana dur- ing; Miss Rietta, high mast; Bauing the holiday season have been dy's Greyhound and Monkey Recompleted following a conference vue; Wallenda Troupe, high-wire; in New Orleans between Havana the Flying Zacchinis; Allen Famimpresario Emilio de Armas, Er- lily's bears; Marcus Troupe, jugnesto Azua, Cuba's Sports Com- gling; the Coetschis, unicycling missioner, and Tom Packs and revue; eight-girl aerial carousel; staff.

Event is set for 10 days with a seven-day option at the new 12,000 capacity Coliseo Nacional De La Ciudad Deportiva, which has taken the place of the old Palacio De Los Deportes that formerly housed circuses.

From headquarters in Sarasota, the show is to ship animals and equipment from West Palm Beach Bill Brickle, Lee James, Teto Flint year and that it represented several on December 13, by a vessel of and Bozo Harrell. the West India Fruit and Steamship Company. Personnell will fly from Miami on December 14.

The following will be in the line-up of acts:

Four Carlon Sisters and Manuel Baragan, cloudswing ensemble; Pat Anthony's Wild Animals; the Tropicana's Atelier. Platos, aerial vaulting, and Great Mario, headbalancing trapeze; Lola Dobritch, wire; The Duncans, date; William Pruyn, regular Packs | Tin" troupe from television. Latter comedy table act, and the Eddys, trampoline; elephants, camels, lla-mas, zebra and guanaco worked by Browning Jr. Karl Wallenda will time Wild West action climaxed by ballet, starring La Norma on single | tefent, electrical engineer.

"Blancas Navidades," production number; the Ricchiardis, illusions; Kristensen Troupe, bareback riding; St. Leon Troupe, teeterboard; Rudy Sisters and Rudy, breakaway aerial, and patriotic finale.

In clown alley will be Massimo Bertei, Frederico Ferroni, Fransesco Fornasari, Nico Droguett, Joaquin Cruz-Balila, Jose Cueto Julian this was 20,000 more than last

"Blancas Navidades" (White seum. Christmas) will have a cast of 100 with several Cuban groups and Luis Trapaga of the Tropicana was band director. night club, with costumes by the

Houston Crowds Reach 120,000

HOUSTON-Houston's Shrine Circus played to 120,000 people in its run early last month. Judge Clem McClelland, chairman, said straw houses in Sam Houston Coli-

Shrine committee produced the show, while Bob Atterbury was chorus lines participating. It will equestrian director, Charles Basile have choreography and staging by was assistant and William Pruym

Performance included Pat Anthony's Lions, the Great Wallenda C. W. Hoeber and Jack Leontini Family, Norbu, Flying Malkos, will be with Tom Packs on the Flying Wards, and the "Rin Tin musical director, will front Angel included Lt. Rip Masters, Corpoand rescue by the Cavalry.

Show was said to be booked solid-ly until mid-February. New Orleans

Ringling will close the year with 'money in the bank," it was reported here. A management source said "it was a good year; we got a little money." He de-

New Ringling Book To Be Published

SEATTLE --- Superior Publishing Company here, announced this week it will publish "A Ticket to nicipal Auditorium had turnaways the Circus," by C. P. Fox in the from the Wednesday (26) thru the spring. Title was changed from Sunday closing (30). Even the "The Incredible Ringlings" and it final Sunday show at 5:30 p.m. is a history of the Ringling show was a turnaway, the show reand family. Fox earlier wrote ported. 'Circus Trains" and "Circus Parades." He currently heads the rushed to the building on one campaign to raise funds for the occasion when the crowd lunged Wis.

lurnaways For Tom Packs

NEW ORLEANS-Tom Packs Circus gained big business at the recent engagement here under Shrine auspices. The show in Mu-

The city's police crash squad Circus World Museum in Baraboo, and broke thru the glass doors of the auditorium.

Beatty-Cole, Palisades **Confirm March Opening**

the Clyde Beatty-Cole Bros. Circus About 40 per cent of the show's will be March 28, it was confirmed here by Walter Kernan, manager, and Irving Rosenthal of Palisades Park, N. J., site of the stand.

Show will launch the season unusually early and repeat its set-up of last year using double sidewall and heating units on the big top. The Palisades stand, in competition with Ringling's Madison Square Garden run, will be for 45 days. The circus is in on a guarantee plus concessions.

March 28 start will put it in ahead of Ringling, which opens in April. Beatty-Cole will continue An Arabian act has been signed. until mid-May.

The season will get underway scheduled to be with the Beatty-Rex and Barbara Williams; aerial be aerial director and Arthur Gro- an Indiana attack on the stockade with new cages for Beatty ani- Cole circus for the full season, mals, additional chairs for the big including Palisades.

CHICAGO-Opening dates for top, and a fleet of new trucks. tractors will be new, and included are to be several units for the advance, among them three panels for country routes.

> Beatty-Cole will bring in its own Side Show this year, rather than book an independent unit for Palisades.

> While the circus is holding off on naming acts that it will have this season, confirmation has come that Emmett Kelly is booked again for the Palisades stand at least. Pinito del Oro also is booked for the first weeks, with an option for more. Press man Frank Braden is



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Bertram Mills Sets London Opening

LONDON - --- Bertram Mills Circus will open its Christmas engagement here on December 19, when the Marquess of Exeter will preside and the Lord Mayor of London will attend. Formal invitations now being distributed include a reproduction of a Toulouse Lautree drawing of a circus scene.

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Macon Shrine Equals 1957

MACON, Ca .- The six-day run of the 24th annual Macon Shrine Circus closed Saturday (29) with business on a par with last year, which was one of the best years in history.

for Monday and Tuesday nights Activities, Inc., here, issued a statewere distributed through super- ment last week to clarify the markets but this practice was not Shrine's dropping of the Hamidfollowed this year. Accordingly, Morton Circus in favor of a conconcession receipts for the first two tract with Cristiani Bros. Circus. nights were off about \$300. Starting with Wednesday there were date "misrepresents the true facts capacity crowds for the remainder to such a degree that the commitof the week and the slight de- tee feels compelled to set the crease was overcome.

A final financial statement can- He denied that Hamid-Morton not be made until the 12 Shrine or the Shrine had suggested cutclubs have reported ticket sales ting the indoor date to two or three and the cost of concession mer- days, and he said there was no chandisers figured, but Robert intimation that any union pressure Cain, executive co-chairman, said played any part in abandoning the it is apparent the show is a big arena date. winner.

Wilson F. Storey, booker, left mously decided," Barkley reported, Wednesday for Chicago for the "that since the city of Washington meetings there and will return to had not seen a circus under can-Sarasota after stops in Fort Worth vas for more than three years, a and New Orleans. The Canes- change from an arena to a tent Sarasota, Fla., dairy firm he has strelli troupe left for Montreal for show might serve to stimulate ina two-week engagement at the terest and increase public attend- down an offer from a circus for Mocambo. The St. Leon troupe ance. Cristiani Bros. Circus was next year. will go to Sarasota for a few days selected by the committee as best and then play the Havana date serving its purpose to produce a with the Tom Packs Circus.

left for his home in San Bernardi- Clyde Beatty-Hamid-Morton tent no. Beatrice Dante and the Joan- circus appearing in Washington. . nides troupe returned to Sarasota. was never discussed." The Namedils also went to Florida.

The Shrine uniformed units operated all concessions, except the refreshment stand operated by the Y-Civic club, and a booth by the Hears Rumors Daughters of the Nile; Ollie Bradley, peanuts, and Bill Andre, candy floss, the latter two professional concession operators who have played the date for many years. All reported big business.

D. C. Potentate **Issues Statement On Show Change**

WASHINGTON --- F. Latimer Barkley, potentate of the Shrine In past years 10,000 passes good Temple and president of Shrine An early statement about the record straight," Barkley stated.

"The executive committee unanifive-day show in Washington... Band leader Raymond Aguilar The possibility of a combined

UNDER THE MARQUEE

Among those in Chicago for out- | show. . . . Geoff and June Dewsdoor show conventions were Bill bury were on float in Macy's Green, Bob Stevens, Jack LaPearl, Thanksgiving Day parade in New Larry Benner, Tommy O'Brien, York. Kitten and Gabby Wendt Sam Ward, Mat Green, Mel Smith, were on another float in the same Dave Friedman, Tom Carroll, Paul Delaney and Justus Edwards.

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More conventioners were Emmett Sims, Joe Levine, Chris Anas, John Facer, George Paige, Tex Maynard, Charlie Schuler, Frank Davis, Jack Kwiet, Mitch Gorrow, Dwight Pepple, Bob Raupfer and Mae Hong.

Others were John Cuneo, Slayman Ben Ali, Paul Kelly, Berni Miller, Lew Christiansen, E. R. Gray, Rink Wright, Johnnie Anderson, Bill Maylor and Gene Whitmore.

Karl Cartwright reports that the Veterans Hospital at Rich-Tom Inabinette caught the Tom Packs Circus in New Orleans and Hagen Bros. in Texas.

Noyelles Burkhart has been promoted to office manager of the been with. He recently turned

the Jacksonville, Fla., fair and now about Clyde O'Neal, promoter of is in Miami until spring. . . . LeRoy the annual antique show there and Carpenter's costume firm, with elsewhere, who formerly was a Mel Rennick as designer, is supply- circus performer. He lives in Waco ing wardrobe for the Beatty-Cole

parade.... Billy Barton is scheduled to open in a revue at the end of the year and will go to Europe next fall. George Barton is ill at Greencastle, Pa., and won't troupe next season.

J. C. Patterson's Patterson Bros. Circus did well at Kalamazoo, Mich., and opened Sunday (7) at Battle Creek. Acts include Brownie Silverlake, Townsends, Joe Mix, Hubler Brothers, Consuello, Jerry Lewis, Medora Chimps and Jon Friday.

Cleaver-Brooks Company of Milwaukee has donated the America Steam Calliope to the Circus Bob V. Darke, circus trouper, is in World Museum at Baraboo. Delivery was pictured in the Milwaumond, Va., and would enjoy mail. kee Journal, which also carried other museum stories.

> Neal Walters is announcing opening of his new General Business Forms company. He also has the Neal Walters Poster Corporation.

Seattle Times carried a fullpage Sunday feature about Wallace Winter's circus hobby. . . . Slivers Oakley reports he caught Shreveport Times carried a feature (Continued on page 55)

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As usual the 36 performers were guests of the Shrine at an elaborate party after the final show Saturday. Showmen visitors included Floyd King, Charles T. Underwood, Elmer Kauffman, Walter Nealand, Byron Gosh, Tom Kennedy and son, Charles Blaum, Bob Watley, Charles Roark, Billy and Gee Gee Powell.

Hard Luck Turner

due to fire department restrictions,

paper. On its third stand, Turner

played within two miles of Ring-

made by some of the acts in an

effort to substitute for the lithographs that were lost in transit.

Turner also got good co-operation

from community newspapers.

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ling-Barnum for four days.

Of New Shows

Convention

CHICACO-Possibility of two new circuses hitting the road this spring came in for much discussion among circus people at the outdoor show business conventions here.

The junior Cristiani troupe, cousins of the owners of the present Cristiani Bros. Circus, are allied with concessionaire Tom Kennedy in talks about a possible new show.

Arnold Maley is associated with Eastern backers in talks that are aimed at fielding a new circus in the spring.

Both groups have made widespread inquiries about staffers, The first day and a half was lost acts, animals and equipment recently, but apparently neither has poor advance, and late arrival of taken any decisive action yet. In addition there are several others in the business who are giving thought to possible new Television appearances were shows but plans are not so far developed.

At Dallas, Gil Gray's show included Weldes Bears, Lemke's Circus opened in the Quad Chimps, Lou Ryan's Lions, Tommy



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IAFE MEET SETS RECORD; HARTNETT ELECTED PREZ

Bill Masterson Named Veepee; Registration Jumps 50% Over '57

By CHARLES BYRNES

from the United States and Canada directors, with another year to was in charge of a concession left here last week after one of serve, include John W. Leahy, panel. Andy Hanson, All-Iowa the most successful conventions of Danbury, Conn.; J. C. Huskisson, Fair, Cedar Rapids, was chairman the International Association of Tampa; G. W. (Bill) Wynne, of operations. Fairs and Expositions on record- Memphis; Clyde E. Byrd, Little a three-day confab that saw regis- Rock; J. Hugh King, Yakima, Fair, conducted a forum on grandtrations top all previous marks Wash., and Clifford C. Hunter, shooting some 50 per cent of the Taylorville, Ill. '57 meeting.

The sharp upturn in turnouts, which marked most of the sessions, was attributed to a combination



Sessions Packed

plenty of shopping around for attractions and most paid their annual visit to the International Livestock Show here, the business sessions were marked by good crowds. The panel segments, which were inaugurated last year for the first time, proved particularly popular.

Donald L. Swanson, Michigan State Fair, led one on attractions; Joseph B Rucker Jr., State Fair of Texas, headed one on commercial space, and Clarence C. Lester, moderated discussions on agriculture. L. (Doc) Cassidy, New Albany, Ind., supervised a spirited discus-



London, Ont., and Monsour as the sion on advertising while Bill CHICAGO --- Fair executives immediate past-president. Holdover Wynne, Mid-South Fair, Memphis,

> Dudley Fortin, California State stand shows. D. Robert Jones, Ohio State Fair, was in charge of youth and Ivan B. Brodie, Cana-Altho many fair boards did dian National Exhibition, conducted the discussion on exhibits.

> > The Wednesday afternoon session was the only one at which formal speeches were delivered. Highpoints of this was a showing of colored slides of the Brussels World's Fair by Jack Reynolds, Eastern States Exposition. Don Davis, publicity supervisor for the Indiana State Fair, spoke on "Merchandising the Indiana State Fair"; Ed Leidig, Allentown, Pa., described how they increased their revenue from a new admission system; Jones again spoke on youth and Fortin described the new California State Fairgrounds that is scheduled for completion by 1961. Thomas H. McLeod, Regina (Sask.) Exhibition showed their new exhibit building and David Granahan spoke on the "World's Poultry Congress."

In its resolutions the IAFE paid Calgary Exposition and Stampede,

BAKER, KELLEY NAMED TO IAFE HALL OF FAME

CHICAGO-C. G. (Pete) Baker, manager of the Oklahoma State Fair, and Harry B. Kelley, secretary-treasurer of the Michigan Association of Fairs were named to the Hall of Fame by the International Association of Fairs and Expositions here last week.

Baker was named to the hall in the first category, Kelley was selected in the second category, for his job as secretary of State association of fairs.

The presentations were made by Douglas K. Baldwin, chairman of the Hall of Fame Committee.

TRUE COUNT **IAFE** Seeks Audit of **Gate Figures**

CHICAGO -- The International Association of Fairs and Expositions last week took initial steps toward the possible establishment of some Ed Estel type of an audit thru which accurate fair attendance figures would be defined.

The matter was brought up by Maurice Hartnett, manager of the Colgary Exposition and Stampede, Resigns at

IAFE Women's Group Elects Mrs. Reynolds

CHICAGO -- Mrs. Jack Reynolds, wife of the manager of the Eastern States Exposition, West Springfield, Mass., was elected president of the Fair Women's Affiliate at its annual luncheon meeting here Monday (1). She succeeds Mrs. T. O. Robinson, wife of the president of the Western Fair, London, Ont.

Mrs. Willard M. Masterson, whose husband manages Wisconsin State Fair, Milwaukee, was elected vice-president, and Mrs. E. Lee Carteron, wife of the manager of the Southeastern Fair, Atlanta, was renamed to the post of secretarytreasurer.

The 78 ladies present voted to continue their "fair friends program" and exchanged names, addresses and birthday greetings. A letter of sympathy was sent Mrs. George A. Hamid Sr., who was unable to attend due to illness.

Attending the luncheon, in addition to the officers, were: Mrs. Ruth C. Hartkopf, Mrs. Leon H. Harms, Mrs. F. S. Lannas, Mrs. J. F. Thorpe, Mrs. R. B. Harris, Mrs. (Continued on page 51)

ping for attractions was given as one possible reason for the bulge, and the streamlined format of the sessions, concentrating on open discussions rather than formal speeches, was another.

MAURICE HARTNETI

In the course of business the Fair Association will hold its anassociation unanimously elected nual winter meeting in Kansas Maurice Hartnett, manager of the City, Mo., in February, it was an-Calgary (Alta.) Stampede and Exhibition as its new president, here during the outdoor convensucceeding Joseph T. Monsour, Louisiana State Fair manager. Willard (Bill) Masterson, manager of and Secretary Maurice Fager. the Wisconsin State Fair, was elevated to the post of vicepresident, and Frank H. Kingman meeting was appointed, with Virwas returned as secretary-treasurer.

were Edward G. Leidig, Allentown, Pa.; D. Robert Jones, Col-Billings, Mont.; E. D. McGugan, utes.

County Execs Discuss

Pertinent Problems

CHICAGO--The Middle West nounced at its Monday (1) meeting tion. Exact date will be determined Harms, R. H. McIntosh, C. G. by President Willard Masterson (Pete) Baker, James H. Stewart

A nominating committee to select new officers at the Kansas City gil Miller as chairman, and Joe Named to the board of directors Monsour and C. G. (Pete) Baker as members.

Masterson presided at the meetumbus, O.; Maurice E. Fager, ing here and all business was Topeka, Kan.; Harry L. Fitton, wrapped up in a matter of 15 min-

Putnam, Chippewa Falls, Wis.; Charles Youle, Calgary, and Walter D. Jackson, London, Ont. Jack Reynolds presided at the

annual luncheon of the Past-Presidents' Club on Tuesday (2). Also at lunch were Doug Baldwin, Clarence H. Harnden, Lloyd Cunningham, J. S. (Doc) Dorton, Leon H. and Joe Monsour.

Canada Fair Assn. Elects tendance figures. McCallum Prez West Canada

TORONTO-Hiram E. McCallum, general manager of the Canadian National Exhibition here, was elected president of the Canadian Association of Exhibitions at its recent annual meeting here.

Jack Clarke, Central Canadian Exhibition, Ottawa, was elected vice-president, and Emery Boucher was renamed secretary-treasurer. Named to the executive committee were Jean Alarie, Three Rivers, Alta., and Alex Thomson, Truro,



tribute to three members who who said true figures on attendpassed on during the year, Archie ance are necessary to give exhibitors and concessionaires a true picture of the fairs.

Harnett urged the IAFE to give thought to setting up an accurate audit of the figures citing the system used with success by the Western Fairs Association.

He said a number of State fairs are interested in getting audited attendance, listing State events in Michigan, Oklahoma, Indiana, Utah, Kentucky, Arkansas, Iowa, Wisconsin, Ohio and Tennessee.

A motion was passed on the floor recommending that the incoming IAFE board of directors appoint a committee to study some feasible plan of auditing fair at-

Race Assn. Names Slate

Hartnett, general manager of the was elevated to secretary-manager Calgary Exhibition and Stampede, and held the position until his (Continued on page 51) resignation.

Waterloo, Ia.

WATERLOO, Ia. -- Ed Estel, for 44 years secretary-manager of the National Dairy Cattle Congress here, has resigned and was named an honorary director of the show.

Replacing him in the position of secretary is Norbert Kash, who has served as assistant secretary a number of years. All other officers of the Congress were re-elected. including Glenn W. Miller as president.

During Estel's lifetime in the fair business, he served as president of the Fair Managers' Association of Iowa and for years was active in various committees of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions.

While still a student at Iowa State College, he worked as a laborer at the first dairy show. After graduation he joined the Iowa State Dairy Association but later become assistant to the secretary of the Congress. In 1918 he

their innings at the meetings here tance of revenue from commercial last week and an entire afternoon of discussion was held Monday (1) covering a broad list of subjects of pertinent interest to events below the State fair level.

Everett Erhart, secretary of the Kansas Fairs Association and president of the Kansas State Fair, served as chairman of the session.

Under the heading of grandstand shows, the delegates touched on auto races, horse races, thrill shows, fireworks, name personalities, free grandstands and revues. Special attractions recommended by some included parades, queen contests, giveaways, special days, religious programs and horse shows.

briefly, with merchandise games, outside gates, admission prices, off-

CHICAGO--County fairs had fairmen. The increasing imporspace sales was stressed by many who spoke on building layouts, contracts, rates, policies and passes. Que.; Al Anderson, Edmonton, The advertising round table includes opinions on newspapers, N. S. television, radio, fliers, novelties and posters.

> The importance of youth to the county fair was pointed out in a discussion that included children's day, 4-H activities, schools and contests. Under the agriculture subject, flower shows, dairy, grange and agriculture were discussed.

On exhibits, the county fairmen spoke on health, hobby, antiques, historical, fine arts, defense, conservation and atomic. Other topics Concessions were discussed treated includes maintenance, tight

Federation Re-Elects **Bartlett Secretary**

CHICACO --- Joseph Bartlett, year during the fair convention secretary of the Association of Connecticut Fairs, was re-elected secretary-treasurer of the Federation of State and Provincial Associations of Fairs at the organization's annual meeting here Monday (1). This marks the sixth year for Bart- | lights at the morning program. lett in the position.

Other officers, Clifford C. Hunter, president, and Win Eldridge, vice-president, were elected to twoyear terms in 1957.

here.

President Hunter presided at the sessions, which included talks by Eldridge and Bartlett. Wilbur E. Layman, Lincoln, Ill., moderated a panel on State association high-

In the afternoon Clyde E. Byrd, manager of the Little Rock, Ark., fair and longtime secretary of the Arkansas Fair Managers' Association, joined with Paul Powell, Vi-The federation, an association of enna, Ill., fair manager and a mem-State and provincial associations, ber of the Illinois Legislature, in a

CALGARY, Alta. -- Maurice



Walter Jackson, Fair Exec, Dies Suddenly

JACKSON, Ont. -- Walter D. | For two years, 1948 and 1949, he manager of the Western Fair here, Association of Exhibitions. died suddenly November 27 following a stroke.

in the United States and Canada, ture Representative Service and Jackson had retired from the fair in later became associate director for February of 1957 after spending the entire province of Ontario. In 33 years as secretary and later general manager.

In 1952 he was honored by being elected president of the Interna- a son, David, who is a professor at tional Association of Fairs and Ex- the University of Illinois. positions, an organization in which Funeral services were held here he was quite active for many years. Saturday (29).

Jackson, 73, retired secretary and served as president of the Canadian

A graduate of the Ontario Agri-One of the best known fair men been associated with the Agricul-1924 he left the service to join the fair.

He is survived by his widow and

FAIR MEETINGS

Fair Managers' Association of 19-20. Christie W. Summers, Box Iowa, Hotel Fort Des Moines, Des 972, Jasper, secretary.

Moines, December 8-10. Eugene R. Moore, Tipton, secretary.

West Virginia Association of Fairs, Waldo Hotel, Clarksburg, January 3-4. Mabel Hetzer, P. O. Box 589, 307 First National Bank Arcade, Huntington, secretary.

Central New York Association of Agricultural Societies, Hotel Syracuse, Syracuse, January 3. Robert S. Turner, Horseheads, N. Y., secretary.

Indiana Association of County and District Fairs, Hotel Severin, Indianapolis, January 4-6. Robert L. Barnet, Muncie Star, Muncie, secretary.

Minnesota Federation of County Fairs, Radisson Hotel, Minneapolis, January 5-7. Hubert Ransom, Saint James, secretary.

Massachusetts Agricultural Fairs

Michigan Association of Fairs & Exhibitions, Fort Shelby Hotel, Detroit, January 18-20. H. B. Kelley,

Hillsdale, secretary-treasurer. Maine Association of Agricultural Fairs, Portland, January 21-22. Roy E. Symons, Skowhegan, secretary.

North Dakota Association of Fairs, Graver Hotel, Fargo, January 22-23. A. D. Scott, Box 68, Fargo, secretary.

Nebraska Association of Fair Managers, Cornhusker Hotel, Lincoln, January 25-27. H. C. Mc-Clellan, Arlington, secretary.

Rocky Mountain Association of Fairs, Northern Hotel, Billings, Mont., January 25-27. Clifford D. Coover, Shelby, secretary.

Illinois Association of Agricultural Fairs, St. Nicholas Hotel Springfield, January 25-27. Clifford C. Hunter, Taylorsville, secretary. New Jersey Association of Agricultural Fairs, Hildebrecht Hotel. Trenton, January 26. Mr. William C. Lynn, 1 West State Street, Trenton, secretary. New York State Association of Agricultural Fair Societies, Sheraton-Ten Eyck Hotel, Albany, January 26-27. James A. Carey, Department of Agriculture and Markets, State Office Building, Albany, secretary. Pennsylvania State Association of County Fairs, Hotel Abraham Lincoln, Reading, January 28-29. William Arthur Morris, 522 Court Street, Reading, secretary. Association of Tennessee Fairs, the Noel Hotel, Nashville, January 29-30. Jack Vinson, 938 East Broadway, Newport, secretary. Texas Association of Fairs and Oklahoma City. Harry James, 621 Expositions, Baker Hotel, Dallas, Court House, Oklahoma City, sec-February 5-7. Bob Murdoch, 102 'retary.

THE BILLBOARD

FLORAL SHOW Maine Event Puts Space To Good Use

SKOWHEGAN, Me. -- One of the most successful aspects of the annual Skowhegan State Fair in Maine is the way the underside of the grandstand is transformed for exhibit purposes. Beneath the seats are two major shows, a flower show and fish and game exhibit supervised by the State Conservation Department.

In viewing pictures of the displays it is difficult to accept the fact that they are indoors, so colorful and natural are the renditions of flora and fauna. In the flower show end, for example, appear large trees and a landscaped homesite with pool. Besides these basic elements are sodded stretches of ground, in-bloom flowers and a regular garden furniture setting. All combine to make an atmosphere of rustic charm outside a typical Northern home.

The fish and game display is just as remarkable in its natural appearance. A pool and backwoods scenery are accurately presented. There are fauns, fish, pheasants, campers' tent at a campsite and other wildlife elements. One of the impressive parts of the two shows is that the trees are actual columns supporting the grandstand. Laborious work in applying back transforms the uprights into trunks of trees, realistic enough to convince any observer. Roy Symons, managing the fair, says the grandstand's hidden (from

FAIRS-EXPOSITIONS

SPACE SALES

Terms Com'l Exhibits **Untapped Gold Mines**

developed gold mine that fairs have out trophies to the top exhibits. at the annual meeting of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions here last week. Rucker headed up a round-table discussion on commercial space, assisted by Ivan Brodie, Canadian National Exhibition, Toronto, and Harry Frost, Minnesota State Fair, St. Paul.

Rucker pointed out that commercial exhibits are the only example of where an advertiser will pay the fair to permit them to put up what in the final analysis is usually a fine attraction. He said he knows of no better way of improving a fair than to work to enlarge commercial exhibits and improve the quality of the various exhibits.

Many national firms have in recent years displayed their wares at foreign trade fairs and are more aware of this type of advertising than ever before, he said.

Rucker said certain points must be attended to, however. He said that the fair's space sales personnel should be of high quality, a good mailing piece should be used, personal calls should be made on key accounts, the exhibit halls should be clean and well lighted, and much advance planning should be done by the fair.

Build Demand

Brodie suggested that fairs build up demand for their space, impress accounts that they should buy space early or they might miss out completely or get a poor location and acquaint potential exhibitors with the fact that the fair has a priority exhibitor list. As a result of this program, the CNE now has a waiting list, Brodie said. He explained how his staff writes letters before the first of the year thanking each exhibitor for his participation and telling him the deadline for signing for the next fair. As a result, many exhibitors come back to the CNE each year, he said. In fact, in 1958 some 108 exhibitors were back for their 35th year: 60 fell in the 25 to 30-year group and 100 were Kentucky Association of Fairs back for the 15th to 25th year. Frost said the Minnesota State Fair has a 90 per cent renewal record and he was most concerned with improving the quality of the individual displays. Brodie related how the CNE has rated its exhibits, writing complimentary letters to the top ones and telling the poor ones that they

CHICAGO--Joseph B. Rucker | should improve their exhibits or no Jr., State Fair of Texas, called space would be available. Other commercial exhibits the most un- fair executives reported they give

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Women's Group

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R. O. Planert, Mrs. T. T. Armstrong, Mrs. J. A. Winter, Mrs. E. D. McGugan, Miss Moxie Mulrooney, L. C. Robinson, Mrs. Lamar Allen, Mrs. R. Oueen, Mrs. T. H. McLeod, Mrs. Llyle Higgins, Mrs. Edna Ikemire, Mrs. Alex Mc-Phail, Mrs. S. N. MacEachern, Mrs. E. J. Keirns, Mrs. J. H. Warren, Mrs. A. M. McIntvre. Mrs. Rav Tucker, Mrs. Ralph Watkins Jr., Mrs. H. L. Fitton, Mrs. Dollie Frazier. Mrs. Ruth Palmer.

Mrs. Stan Muckle, Mrs. Anton C. Geiger, Mrs. A. J. Anderson, Mrs. Ray Sorenson, Blanche Moore, Mrs. Roy Freeland, Mrs. Harold Staadt, Mrs. Peter Buback, Mrs. Harold Zorlen, Mrs. C. J. Wasung, Mrs. Harold E. Crowe, Goldie L. Scheible, Mrs. Donald Bevins, Mrs. Bennie Dahl, Mrs. Walter Wemer, Mrs. J. T. Monsour, Mrs. Maurice E. Fager, Mrs. Donald C. Craig, Mrs. Lemuel E. Jones, Mrs. Flovd Wilson, Mrs. Joseph Bartlett, Mrs. Harry B. Kelley, Mrs. Leaster R. Schrader.

Mrs. C. J. Smout, Mrs. W. H. Eldridge, Mrs. Charles B. Drewry, Mrs. James Bryson, Mrs. Don Mc-Dowell, Mrs. W. J. Uthmeier, Mrs. W. A. Uthmeier, Mrs. Marc Hansen Jr., Mrs. Don Swanson, Mrs. Ray LaPorte, Mrs. R. E. Allingham, Mrs. Doris Flint, Mildred B. Starle, Mrs. Estel Callahan, Mrs. Joe Schermerhorn, Mrs. Oren A. Wright, Mrs. Earl Bailey, Mrs. John Craft, Mrs. Carrold Bledsoe, Mrs. Walter Wimmer, Mrs. Chester Hackleman, Mrs. A. John Cassel, Mrs. W. E. Struckman, Mrs. Arthur K. Hale and Mrs. Joe Lynch.

Association, Bancroft Hotel, Worcester, January 6-7. Paul Corson, Topsfield, secretary.

Georgia Association of Agricultural Fairs, Dinkler-Plaza Hotel, Atlanta, January 12. Joe F. Pruett, 550 Riverside Drive, Macon, secretary.

Kansas Fairs Association, Jayhawk Hotel, Topeka, January 13-14. Everett E. Erhart, Stafford, secretary.

Ohio Fair Managers' Association, Deshler-Hilton Hotel, Columbus, January 13-15. Goldie V. Scheible, Fairgrounds, 1043 South Main Street, Dayton, executive secretary.

Wisconsin Association of Fairs, Schroeder Hotel, Milwaukee, January 13-15. Win H. Eldridge, 3151/2 East Mill Street, Plymouth, secretary.

South Carolina Association of Fairs, Jefferson Hotel, Columbia, January 14. Tom Moore Craig, Spartansburg, secretary.

Missouri Association of Agricultural Exhibitions, January 15-16, Governor Hotel, Jefferson City. Victor M. Gray, Box 630, Jefferson City, secretary-treasurer.

North Carolina Association of Duke Hotel, Durham, January 15-Charlotte 6, secretary.

Virginia Association of Fairs, Hotel John Marshall, Richmond, Jan-Danville, secretary.

Association of Alabama Fairs, the Battle House, Mobile, January



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without) displays are the most successful of the entire layout. Outside the building, the midway and harness racing progress with typical noise, while nature quietly captures the attention of viewers inside.

E. Locust Street, Tyler, secretary Arkansas Fair Managers' Association, LaFayette Hotel, Little Rock, February 9-10. Clyde E. Byrd, Box 907, Little Rock, secretary.

and Horse Shows, Kentucky Hotel. Louisville, January 22-23. L. (Doc) Cassidy, Box 73, Shelby Station, Louisville 17, secretary.

Oklahoma Association of Fairs, February 1 - 3, Biltmore Hotel



Meet Pulls

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30 to 40 per cent of the costs are fixed, 20 per cent make off-season use of their property, they average 14 full-time employees making this a 300,000-man industry, and 58 per cent of the owners have other occupations that give them investment funds.

Final Sessions

Paul Jones of the National Safety Council made a rapid-fire program appearance to urge safety and to point up the plans for closer cooperation between NAAPPB and his group.

Wednesday speakers included Richard L. Geist, New York, who described office automation at his Rockaway's Playland, and Philip L. Rowe, of the National Association of Concessionaires, who talked on the subject of "Food Is Your Fortune."

Final activities at the convention sessions included the showing of movies and slides taken on the Lou Davies continues as general NAAPPB European tour in Sep-



WFA, Ont., Conn., Named Federation Contest Winners

CHICAGO --- The Western that first, second and third-place Agricultural Fairs, Washington Fairs Association, the Association ribbons would be sent the nine of Connecticut Fairs and the On-16. J. S. Dorton Jr., Route 10, tario Association of Agricultural Societies took top honors in the contest on printed material conducted here last week by the Feduary 17-19. William E. Finch, eration of State and Provincial Associations of Fairs.

> The WFA took top honors in the judging of date books, with the Ohio Fair Managers' Association in second place, and the Virginia Association of Fairs in the third slot.

> . The Connecticut organization won the contest for the best letterhead, followed in order by the New York State Association of Agricultural Fair Societies and the Wisconsin Association of Fairs.

The Ontario association took top honors for its meeting program, with the Illinois Association of Fairs, third.

Joseph Bartlett, secretary-treas-

 Continued from page 50 was named president of the Western Canada Racing Association at the annual general meeting. He

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associations placing in the contest.

succeeds Al Anderson, of Edmonton, for a one-year term.

Other officers are T. H. McLeod, Kegina, first vice-president; S. N. MacEachern, Saskatoon, second vice-president, and A. J. Anderson, Edmonton, third vice-president.

E. J. Courtney, C. W. Adams and L. E. Wilson remain on the board of directors, while Elmer Bell, Saskatoon, was named to succeed the late F. G. Salisbury, Saskatoon.



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RAS Adds Cars; **Olson Buys Base**

Few Major Booking Upsets Made At Chi; Many Rides Purchased

By HERB DOTTEN

CHICAGO--There were no fair contract booking upsets for major Midwest carnivals at the outdoor convention here, but the three biggies in the area-the Royal American Shows, the Olson Shows and the Gooding Amusement Company either announced or made substantial purchases during the confab in the Hotel Sherman which wound up Wednesday night (3).

The biggest of the trio-and already the largest midway aggregation in the world-the Royal American Shows disclosed that it will go out with 10 more cars next year.

This, Owner-General Manager Carl Sedlmayr Sr., said, will up the show train to 80 cars. Of the 10 added cars, six will be compartment-type Pullmans, purchased recently by the Royal from the Pullman Company. The other four cars will be flats.

Two reasons were cited by Sedlmayr for adding to the show train. Increased difficulty in obtaining needed sleepers in Canada for the show's swing over the Western Canadian A Fair Circuit is one. The other is the higher rates put into effect this year by Canadian railroads for renting, as well as moving show trains. The higher railroad fees, it will be recalled, caused J. P. (Jimmy) Sullivan, owner of the World's Finest Shows, to refrain from bidding for the midway contract of the Western Canadian B Circuit. The higher cost, Sullivan had told the Western Canadian B fair men, had made it impractical for him to play the circuit. The contract was then awarded to a U.S. truck show-the Art B. Thomas Shows. Sedlmayr, in discussing the addition of 10 cars, pointed out that Royal American's tour of Canada's prairie provinces comes at the height of the tourist season in Western Canada.

assurance that such cars would be available in '61."

Sedlmayr said that the six recently purchased Pullmans are all-steel, both inside and out. They give the show a total of 22 sleeping cars.

For the Royal, the show went out of the convention with a fair route which was a carbon copy of that of this year.

(Continued on page 53) Muckle, treasurer,

Frank Winkley Nominated by **Midwest Club**

CHICAGO --- Frank Winkley, auto race impresario, was nominated to head the '59 regular office ticket of the Midwest Showmen's Association of Minneapolis at a meeting here Sunday (30).

Charles Carroll was put on the ticket for the position of first vicepresident; Bernard Thomas, second vice-president, and Fred O'Neil, third vice-president. Carl Sedlmayr Sr., was nominated as a trustee; The Olson Shows also was re- Gerald Ramsey, secretary, and Stan

700 Honor SLA Prez At Annual Party Pay Tribute to Jack Duffield; Floor Show Feature of Event

CHICAGO -- Nearly 800 out-Ed Levinson, Noble Case, William door showmen paid tribute to Jack | Hetlich, Neil Webb, Herb Dotten, Duffield at the annual President's Nat S. Green, Al Sweeney, Harry Party here Sunday night (30) in Duncan, Mickey Blue, Dave Friedthe ballroom of Hotel Sherman.

17-inch brief-case television set and Magid and Jack Benjamin. an attache case by his father, in 1940.

Frank, who was League president by Charles Hogan, Marcus Glaser ness to all parties concerned. and Norman Schlossberg. On the On the Prell's Broadway slate committee were Pat De Carlo, are Harrington, Del.; Carlisle and Harry Greben, Paul Marr, Sam Huntington, Pa.; Bridgeton, N. J. Levy, Ernie Young, George B. Portsmouth and Warsaw (Labor Flint, Charles Zemater, Lou Breese, Day), Virginia; Goldsboro, S. C.; Ernie Fast, L. N. Fleckles, Dave Castonia, N. C.: Frederick, Md.: Malcolm, Chick Schloss, Les Lear, Wilson, N.C.; Rock Hill, S. C., and Joe Higgins, George Hamid and the Columbia, S. C. Colored Fair, Frank Taylor. Sam Ward, Dick Ware, Jimmy in the contracting. Stanton and Lou Leonard were Penn Premier Shows has at least stage co-ordinators.

Eastern Routes Shape Up Slowly

Several Announcements Due; Earlier Allentown Choice Seen; Eye Meetings

NEW YORK-More importantMount Airy and Winston-Salem news will be developing about Colored Fair.

meetings than in recent years. At Concord and Lexington, N. C. the Chicago conventions where few major Eastern spots were repreare as yet uncommitted. More S. C. news is expected to come out of is customary.

One of the fairs which has drawn increasing attention is Peseasons by Amusements of America, it was open thru last week-end. Making presentations in Petersburg were the Prell; Penn Premier, Ross Manning and John Marks midways. in a bid from Chicago, where the Lockett were visiting.

Partial shaping up of routes bany, Ga. shows several big ones up North and at least one in the South which are being hotly contended. Many contracts have been signed and many others are close to conman, Benedict Garmisa, Max firmation. The Great Allentown Duffield, who bows out as SLA Brantman, Tom Sharkey, Harold Fair, which waited late into the president, was presented with a Barrows, Sam Solomon, Charles winter before making its choice last year, indicates it will come up Entertainment was headed up with an earlier decision out of fair-

R. C. McCarter has been assisting Indiana, Pa.; and Burlington,

Eastern fair bookings over the L. I. Thomas has at least Chase holiday period and into the state City, Va., and Kinston, Leaksville,

James E. Strates has at least Hamburg, N.Y.; York, Pa.; Raleigh sented, it appeared several of these and Shelby, N.C., and Greenville,

Amusements of America has the scheduled state meetings than Hughesville and Lehighton, Pa. Hagerstown and Cumberland, Md. Bedford, Pa.; Sumter, Lancaster and Charlotte, S. C., Exchange tersburg, Va. Played in recent Club and Colored Fairs; Statesville, N. C., and Fredericksburg, Va.

World of Mirth has at least Brockton, Mass.; Bangor, Me.; Ottawa; Valley Field, Que.; Augusta Ga., and several others. Also firm The Amusements of America wired for the Cetlin & Wilson Shows are at least Reading, Pa.; Ronce-Vivonas and fair manager Ralph verte, W. Va.; Spartanburg, S.C.; Richmond; Macon, Ga., and Al-

The routes mentioned are necessarily incomplete. Several shows have traditional fair pacts which are all but set at this time and which will jell in the coming weeks. The railroaders are cases in point.

Affecting the setting of Southern dates is this year's late arrival of Labor Day, which falls on September 7 and thereby creates an additional week ahead of the spots which are keyed to this holiday week. Another element is the big North Carolina State Fair in Raleigh, with which few Carolina spots desire to run in conflict, Raleigh has been set for Tuesday. October 13.

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Sleepers Short

were able to obtain regulation Pullman sleepers. However, in recent years the best that the railroads could provide were old colo-

Lou DuFour served as toastmaster of the event, while Bill Carsky and Lefty Ohren were cochairmen in charge of the party.

Following a banquet dinner and the presentations, Ken Nordine, local radio-TV announcer, narrated a tribute titled "There's No Business Like Show Business," was composed by Carsky and Les Lear.

On the act program were the Eight Sons of Morocco, Roaring '20's on Parade, Ernie McLean's Freedom Singers; Soja, steel guitar; Dyerettes, dancers; Jimmy Byrnes and Patti, novelty; Daro and Corda, comedy dance; Rowena Rollins, comedy; Don Rickles, comedy; Frank Marlowe, comedy; Paul Benson, auctioneer; Michael Evans, star of "My Fair Lady"; Chiquita and "Up until a few years ago, we Pedro, Ken Whitmore and John Shirley. Sonny Mars served as emsee, and the Lou Breese ork cut

the show. Assisting Carsky and Ohren in nization cars. And, they gave no arrangements for the party were

Showmen's League Pays Tribute to Deceased

CHICAGO -- Outdoor show business honored its deceased here Sunday afternoon (30) at the annual memorial services of the Showmen's League of America held in the Bal Tabarin of the Hotel Sherman.

The Rev. Adolph Bohn, Edgewater Presbyterian Church, conducted the program and delivered the sermon of the day. Sophia Vail sang "In My Father's House Are Many Mansions'; Earl Bichel offered "The Twenty-Third Psalm," and Mina Lox rendered "Light." The church trio sang "Beside Still Water."

George B. Flint, League chapplot. lain, read the mentoriam for members. The Commonwealth Edison services, assisted by Hy Neitlich. Post of the American Legion pre- Max Brantman, Harry Cherniak. sented the colors and "Taps." Nata Tom Sharkey, Jimmy Campbell Jr., R. H. McIntosh, Gerald Mack-

Members who passed on during the past year were William Canady, Tom W. Allen, Paul E. Low, Alex Lobban, Andrew Worzola, Archie Putnam, Raymond Anderson, Bob Lohmar, Phil Isser, H. J. McKay, Irving Zolen, George Olmstead, Johnny J. Kline, E. Courtemanche, W. Charles Mueller, H. (Bing) Bernstein, Sam Bloom, Gardner Lloyd, J. Gitelson, John Criss, Sylvester (Buster) Cronin, J. Frenzel and R. Cutting. Courtemanche, Bernstein and Criss were buried in the League cemetery

Ed Sopenar was chairman of the

Bill Carsky Named 35th SLA President

spot. Carsky is the 35th president (Slim) Wells, Ben Weiss, O. (Buffalo Bill) Cody became the or- Sr. ganization's first president.

Also named to office were Paul Olson, first vice-president; Ed Sopenar, second vice-president; Lou Dufour, third vice-president; Bernie Mendelson, treasurer, and Hank Shelby, secretary. The last twc were re-elected. Sam J. Levy Sr. was named to a five-year term as trustee.

Elected to the board of governors were Douglas K. Baldwin, Louis J. Berger, Mickey Blue, Max Brantman, Elmer Byrnes, John Campi, Noble Case, William T. Collins, James F. Conklin, Hadji Delgarian, Herb Dotten, Hal Eifort, George B. Flint, John Gallagan Jr., Benedict Garmisa, Ken Garman, C. C. (Specks) Groscurth, Eph Glosser, Morris Haft, Jeff Harris, William Kaplan, Andy Kasin, Al Kaufman, Jack Kwiet, Lou Leonard.

Also Ed Levinson, Sam J. Levy

CHICAGO - William Carsky, Picard, Harry Ross, David Russell, veteran member of the Showmen's Jack Ruback, Harry Shore, Rudy League of America, was elected its Singer, Norman Schlossberg, Lloyd president here Monday (1), suc- Thomas, Bernard Thomas, Sam ceeding Jack Duffield in the top Ward, Sol Wasserman, E. W. Ι.

> All officers were installed at the annual meeting Thursday (4) in the Hotel Sherman.



PCSA Honors **Past Prexies**

LOS ANGELES --- Past presidents of the Pacific Coast Showmen's Association were honored at a special ceremony conducted by Hunter Farmer prior to the regular weekly meeting in the clubrooms here Monday night (1).

Among those who had directed the club during its 36 years of existence and attended were Moo Levine, Frank Warren, Bob in a list of showmen that dates (Whitey Weiss, Frank Winkley, Downie, Ted LeFors, E. W. Coe, back to 1913 when William F. Ralph Woody and Charles Zemater William Hobday, Joe Glacy, Mike Krekos, J. Ed Brown, Theo Forstall, C. F. (Doc) Zeiger, Edward Harris, Harry G. Seber, and Farmer, the latter also a past president. Harry Fink was unable to attend because of recent major surgery and his confinement to a San Fernando hospital.

Farmer made brief introductions, mostly in a humerous vein, with the past presidents thanking their committees of the year in which they served and reviewing some outstanding event.

Joe Glacy, chairman, and Dick Scearce, co-chairman, reported on the annual banquet and ball held Thursday night (4) at which the club was host to the Western Fairs Association in the Biltmore Bowl.

Seber and LeFore were given a vote of thanks for their outstanding work in connection with the annual Memorial Services held Sunday (30).

The Chevrolet automobile was awarded Harry (Bosco) Sandler.

Lantz called on Harry Myers, nominee for president of the Show





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Pacific Coast Club Nominates Andersen

LOS ANGELES --- Arthur | nated as treasurer and H. D. (Bob) Showmen's Association. He was administration. first vice-president during 1958.

ber 29 election include: Steve serve five years and Theo Forstall Vaughn, first vice-president; Joe (Red) Dauer, second vice-president, and Ed Hellwig, third vice-president. Al Weber was again nomi-

Boston Club **Sets Banquet** For Dec. 17

BOSTON-The New England Showmen's Association will hold its installation of officers and banquet December 17, John Venditto, president, announced. Earlier it had been announced as a January date.

time, succeeding Jack Ableman in the top spot. The Ladies' Auxiliary will also participate in the event to be held in the Hotel Bradford.

that his wife, Marie, formerly in Goldstein, John C. O'Kelley, Theo the Bagleys bag punching act in vaude, is confined in a nursing home at 593 Maple Street, Manchester, N. H.

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Andersen has been nominated for Matthews, secretary. Dauer was the presidency of the Pacific Coast second vice-president in the Lantz

Harry G. Seber was slated a Other candidates for the Decem- member of the cemetery board to to the trustee board for a similar term.

The committee also submitted ings. the names of 40 members nominated for the board of governors. They include John T. Backman, Robert Banard, Joe Blash, M. M. Buckley, Harry Barron, L. C. Chapman, Al (Red) Cohen, William Davis, Dan Dix, Sam Dolman, M. H. Ellison, F. M. (Pete) Sutton, Charles Goss, John O'Kelley, Arthur Hockwald, Harry A. Illions, Rudy Jacobi, Al Cecchini, Abe Goldstein, Sam Brown, Sam Shafron, Jackie Lee, Lloyd Hilligoss, Fred Mortensen, C. E. (Candy) Moore, Harry Myers, Harry Phillips, Dick Havins, Dick Scearce, Sam Shaffer, Joe Steinberg, James Venditto will be installed at that Smith, Lee Smith, John Snobar, Sam Steffin, Ed Roth, George Surtees, Elmer Velare, Matt Herman, and Al Blake.

nominating committee which was Prof. Willie J. Bernard advises composed of Sam Brown, Abe Forstall, E. W. (George) Coe, Joe McLeister, Milo Hartman, Swede Steinberg, Jack Shaffer, Sam Ballard, Norman Wolff, George Coomas and Joe Glacy.

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Members Pay Tribute to PCSA Dead

LOS ANGELES--While warm, sunny weather brought out a number of people to the 36th annual Pacific Coast Showmen's Association Memorial Services at Showmen's Rest here Sunday (30), attendance was held down by the conflict with the Chicago meet-

The ceremonies were marked by the planting of a tree, an event which will be followed annually hereafter, by Matthew (Jimmy) Lantz, PCSA president, and Helen Vaughn, Ladies' Auxiliary president, while Ted LeFors, a PCSA past president, made a brief talk on plans to beautify the plot.

Harry G. Seber, senior past president, served as chairman. The principal address was made by Sam recited "The Rose Ritual."

Eighteen club members died during the year, including two past presidents, Earl O. Douglas and Others included William Allman, Abe Lefton, Roy B. Wilson, Harry Seber was chairman of the Arthur Towner, Barney Clancey, Jack Beames, Robert Lohmar, Eli Weber, James McPherson, Thomas McDow, Crawford (Red Crawford) Lauerman, and Jack W. Bieward.

Almost 800 Frolic At PCSA Banquet

LOS ANGELES - A record and prizes. Contestants were from Hotel here Thursday night (4).

The event, usually held in the Gold Room, was moved to the site of the night spot to accommodate the unusually large number of bia recording orchestra. diners. Joe Clacy was chairman of the event with Dick Scearce, cochairman.

In order to permit the entertainment highlight, "Truth or Consequences" ample time, only a few introductions were made by Nor-Abbott of The Billboard. Ruth Felts man Carroll, ex-circus announcer. was the soloist and Opal Manly They included Clacy Scearce, and William Hobday, past president, who presented a gold life membership card to Matthew (Jimmy) Lantz, retiring president. Helen Sylvester L. (Buster) Cronin. Vaughn, Ladies' Auxiliary president, was presented as were A. A. Jensen, retiring WFA president, and his successor, Stuart Waite.

> The show club members and fair managers were joined for the night by TV and motion picture stars including Molly Bee, Jimmy Wakely, Dale Robertson, Tommy Sands, Judy Bush and Randy Edwards.

RAS Adds Rides, Olson Base Bob Barker, who has been on "Truth or Consequences" for two years, and Ed Bailey, producer, presented it just as it is done on the network with the gimmicks created quite a stir with its trade tion's end, he announced re-pacting

crowd of nearly 800 attended the the audience and included Mary 38th annual banquet and ball of Lou Hilligross, Kitty Scearce, the Pacific Coast Showmen's Asso- Grace Merkle, Rudy Jacobi, Les ciation at which members of the McClure, William Hobday, Theo Western Fairs Association in con- Forstall, Emery Poundstone, Louis vention were entertained in the Southern, Mrs. Whetstein, Juny Biltmore Bowl of the Biltmore Merten and Rush Labourdette. Josephine Lynch was awarded a "door" prize from Chuck.

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Ark., winter quarters site from Harry Hennies, former owner of the show. At the trade show and convention the show made purchases said by Paul Olson, manager and co-owner, to total \$80,000.

turned to all its '58 fairs, but signing fair contracts. At conven-

Olson said he and the show's other two co-owners. Maurice (Lefty) Ohren and Norman Schlossberg, had purchased a second Mad Mouse from the Allan Herschell Company, North Tonawanda, N. Y.; a new Roller Coaster from the B. A. Schiff Company. Miami, a German kiddie ride, and a second Scrambler. Late this season the show had purchased a Mad Mouse, which it subsequently installed in the permanent park on the Alabama State Fairgrounds, Birmingham. The Mad Mouse purchased during the convention will be in the show's line-up starting with the first date of the season, Olson said.

He also announced that he had closed for the Velare brothers' Space Wheel and the Velare Rotor to operate under the Olson banner at three of the show's major fair dates-Springfield, Ill.; Des Moines and Louisville.

Signs Waters

Olson also disclosed that he had booked a Dancing Waters unit thru Sam Shayon to play at one of the show's fair dates-the Northern Wisconsin District Fair, Chippewa Falls.

Floyd E. Gooding, president of the Gooding Amusement Company, who earlier had announced the purchase of two Mad Mouse rides to bring the organization's total of such rides to three, bought two additional rides during the convention. They are the Paratrooper ride, manufactured by Frank Hrubetz & Company, Salem, Ore., and Crazy Cups, made by the Philadelphia Toboggan Company, Philadelphia.

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show and convention buying and the following fairs: Missouri State with the announcement that it had Fair, Sedalia; Southeastern Fair, purchased its 40-acre Hot Springs, Atlanta, Ga.; Centerville, Hillsdale, Kalamazoo, Monroe, Jackson, Saginaw and Corunna, all in Michigan; Pensacola, and Tallahassee, Fla.; Nashville and Knoxville, Tenn., and Savannah and Columbus, Ga. Before leaving his Columbus, O., base for the convention Gooding had re-contracted the Ohio State Fair, that city, for the 41st year.

Kunz Busy

The Heth Shows re-signed the Mobile, Ala., Fair, with the contract calling for the show to include the Wild Mouse and Rotor in its ride line-up. Al Kunz, owner-general manager, said that he had re-contracted fairs at Jackson, Tenn., and Tuscaloosa, Ala., and that the show's fair route will be the same as last year.

William T. Collins, owner of the show bearing his name, said that he had signed the Owatonna, Minn., fair as a replacement for the Cedar Rapids, Ia., Fair, and that he had contracted the Sioux Fair, Lincoln, and the Muskogee, Falls, Ia, Fair, which returns him Okla., fair. fit between the Nebraska State and Iowa City.



chairman of the SFA banquet and ball to be held at the Sheraton Palace Hotel in San Francisco January 11; E. S. Fitzgerald, SFA past president; Alex Freedman, SFA president; Al Rodin, Harry Martin, William Wright and Roger Warren. Dave Cavagnaro was thanked for supplying the wine for the evening's dinner, and Earl Leonard, co-chairman of the SFA banquet and ball, invited the PSCA members to attend. Robert Banard extended an invitation to all to attend the Arizona Showmen's Association banquet and ball to be held December 15 at the Highway House in Phoenix. The ASA will hold its memorial services at 11 a.m., in Greenwood Park in Phoenix on December 14, Banard added.

to that fair after a lapse of two Schafer's 20th Century Shows years. Collins also announced that added three new Iowa fairs to its he had signed Fayetteville, Ark., to route-Cedar Rapids, Davenport



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Tex., and was with Gentry, Floto and early King shows. . . . Dallas flying acts, writes from Hot Springs, Morning News featured Mayme that he's taking treatments there For EI Paso Ward, wardrobe mistress of Gil for arthritis. He's completing a list Gray Circus.

in Jamaica. . . . Joe Candrea, former- by Bob Porter, Harold Ward and ly with King Bros., is out of the Mike Malko. Veterans Hospital and living on Delavan Street in Buffalo, N. Y.

Mills Bros.' route book is being readied for early publication.

Charles V. Turner, former Ringling man, visited in Chicago last week. He is living in St. Louis again after a stay at Villa Rica, Ga., and a stopover in Plumb Nellie, Ga. . . . Joe Mix and Princess Blue Sky are in Michigan to work the J. C. Patterson winter dates. Later they will make schools and then go East. They were in New Jersey all last season, working Western acts at Wild West City, Netcony.

Bob Couls is framing a show in Kansas, with intent to play indoors this winter and under canvas later. It's Zell Bros. Circus.

Rex and Kitty Ronstrom are home again at Galva, Ill., and plan to be with Harold Bros.' Circus

Harold Ramage, friend of the of flyers and flying acts and recently got a list of names from Charley Cox, side show man, is Freddie Valentine, who was aided

> Don Sexton advises that the CFA members in Elgin, Ill., have worked up a circus program that they are presenting at Christmas parties in the territory. The Elgin CFA will have its own annual Christmas party December 13 at the Red Lion Inn south of the city.

> R. M. Harvey, Perry, Ia., dean of the agents, writes that he has been ill, but that he continues work on his series of newspaper articles about circus life. Recent articles told about opposition fights, flying squadrons and a time a circus left five of its cars behind by accident.

Arizona State Fair. . . William wintering at De Land, Fla. S. Dykes, CHS, caught Mills, Cristiani and Hunt around Salisbury, Md. . . . Pinto Colvin, clown and recording artist, reports he counts the latest Merle Evans circus record as among the best.

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E. F. Day, Phoenix, clowned was with him and now they are

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Raymond Ronquist, Crystal Falls, Mich., writes that a lease on the airport lot has reverted to mining companies and there's a question as to whether shows will have access to it hereafter. It has been used by shows from Orton and Yankee Robinson to Kelly-Miller.

and circus man, spent the past than four months old. Eddie Jr. is season ahead of a barnstorming to get out of the service next sumin the East and Canada. His wife business.

Eddie Kuhn is with Circus Incorporated with his cat act. Also on the show were Dolly Jacobs and her elephants, the Luvas act, and Schreiber's chimps. The Kuhns' granddaughter, Alicia Ellen, daughter of the Eddie Kuhns Jr., died October 1 at a naval base hospital Hi-Brown Bobby Burns, minstrel in Maryland. The child was less baseball unit that played ball parks mer and expects to re-enter show

Notes From the Convention

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ing heavily for that State's Sena- been named general agent of the tor Kennedy for President, to the Midland National Insurance Com-Brother of a former secretary to up 22 new accounts. Kennedy, he enjoyed moderate success until bucking a group of New Englanders-all solid Republicans.

Jackie Weiss' life hung in the balance in Orangeburg, S. C., when he fell behind the tractor while uncoupling his folks' bingo trailer. The tractor lurched and threw him, then rolled up to him before it could be braked. The story spread to the point where, in Chicago, it was said he had suffered several fractured ribs, but his actual injuries were considerable bruises and the scare of his life.

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extent of seeking signed vote pany of Chicago. Early during the pledges from other park men. meetings he reported having picked

> Much in evidence at the meetings were officials of Ohio Fireworks Manufact ring Display Company, Bellaire, O., Veto J. Presutti, president, and L. (Doc) Cassidy, vice-president. Doc, former publicity director of Kentucky State Fair, Louisville, and Presutti were obviously elated over the manner in which their Chemorama fireworks presentation was accepted this year at fairs.

Nelson Breeze, ride owner and operator of the Falmouth, Ky., Fair, has been named sales representative in Kentucky for the Enquirer Printing Company, Cincinnati, it was announced by En-

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WHOSE 03011? **Snellens Cops** NSA's Top 1G **Award Prize**

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NEW YORK --- The \$1,000 top award at the National Showmen's Association open house went to Gerald Snellens, past president and one of the group's tireless workers. Seventeen prizes were distributed, two of them to M. Dodson of Palisades Amusement Park, who won a \$100 U. S. Savings Bond and a \$50 bond.

Other winners were as follows: \$500 bond to Harry Sindell, of New York; \$200 bond apiece to Norman Marshall, of Flemington, N. J., and Dorothy Packtman, of New York; \$100 bond apiece to Lynn Aquilino, of Brooklyn, Harry Kahn, of Springfield, Mass., and ticket 03011 (no name) of Palisades; \$50 bond apiece to Veronica Zucci and Ken Gothold, of Palisades, and Joseph Gianduso, of Paterson, N. J.

Also, case of Irish whiskey to F. Glen, of World of Mirth Shows; woman's diamond wristwatch to Louie Scherer, of I. T. Shows; vacuum cleaner to F. Muir, of New York; matched luggage set to Jessie Brady, of Miami, and pair of table lamps to Harry Waxman, of Atlantic City.

> Miami Showmen's Association

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Agents, Distributors Items	M. P. Films—Accessories	Converse, Art Cortland, Leona (Lee) Couch, Linda	Oddi, Joseph		called to order by President Pasite
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Denver Ops Went After New Locations in 1958

By BOB LATIMER

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multiple vending have been primarily responsible for a 5 to 10 per cent increase in bulk vending revenue reported by operators for ruptcy. the current year. A migratory population boom is the underlying cause of the sharp increase in locations.

Operators have done very well in spotting machines in restaurants, bowling alleys, cocktail lounges and shopping centers sprouting up

Charity Drive Gets Boost by Coin Vending

automatic merchandising industry met Wednesday (3) at the Park-Sheraton Hotel where they were luncheon guests of Melville B. Rapp, executive vice-president of Apco, Inc., at the kickoff of the 1959 March of Dimes Campaign.

Rapp is chairman of the Automatic Merchandising Division of turned out by manufacturers this inch. List price is \$39.50. the drive's New York campaign.

Speaker was Ernest M. Frost, director of the New York March of Dimes. Frost said that the the Salk polio vaccine can stop polio, the majority of people have failed to take the necessary three shots, Charm Mfrs. See Big Emphasis and polio is still a major threat.

all over Denver and surrounding DENVER--New locations and suburbs. These new spots are generally additions to the routes and not simply replacements for other locations lost thru store bank-

> Multiple vending has also proved very successful for operators here. Most operators are using three machines in spots where a single machine was in operation only a year ago. There is also growing enthusiasm for multiple stands holding six machines each. They plan to spot these batteries in supermarkets.

Little Change

uct vended over the past year. cal distributor of bulk vending maoperator who substantially in- manufacturing. creased the number of his machines vending pan candies. Ball gum- single - selection machine for use in NEW YORK --- Leaders of the charms is the backbone of the busi- locations with coin-operated launness. There is little vending at dries. The unit, operating on a 10levels higher than a penny. The cent vend, will handle soap, 5-cent capsule is the only attempt bleach, ammonia or bluing. by operators to get into more expensive bulk vending. Charms are 20 inches high, eight inches wide vended in the majority of ma- and eight inches deep. Capacity chines, and operators here are sat- is 50 packets measuring three isfied with the variety and quality inches by 2.5 inches by a quarter year.

(Continued on page 60) suitable for vending.

START SERIES IN THIS ISSUE

CHICAGO - This issue kicks off a series of articles on bulk vending conditions in major cities during the past year. Changes in operating methods as well as basic problems that operators faced are explained for each city included in the series. Reports this week come from Milwaukee and Denver. The stories may be found elsewhere in this section.

Mandell Makes **Soap Machine**

NEW YORK - Moe Mandell, There was little change in prod- Northwestern Sales & Service, lo-Charles Flowers, however, is one chines and supplies, has gone into

Mandell is currently making a

Dimensions of the machine are

Mandell has the ingredients

Loss of Downtown Spots **Big Milwaukee Problem**

By BENN OLLMAN MILWAUKEE --- The steady loss of locations in the heart of town accompanied by dispersion of new store construction to the most significant developments for bulk vending here over the past year.

Typical of the trend is the closing of small grocery stores, filling stations and drugstores in the city. As retail stores follow the shifting of industry and population outside the old community, bulk vending operators have found it necessary to spot machines over an ever larger area. This trend continued on into 1958.

New store construction is often consolidated into shopping centers. Has the opening of at least a half dozen shopping centers in the past several years compensated for the loss of downtown locations? Are enough new spots for bulk vending equipment being created in the shopping centers to offset the closing of those in the core of the city?

Serious Problems

Shopping centers present serious problems, according to veteran operator Erwin Samp. "First of all, Not only have operators been packed in dry form in containers they are extremely difficult locations for the operator to penetrate,

Most of the outlets in shopping centers are chain stores. They usually discourage the use of bulk vending equipment unless the operator installs it at their terms. It usually fringes and suburbs have been the involves some red tape to get into these chain outlets. The small, independent merchant, garage owner or machine-shop operator are still our best prospects. They are more approachable than the impersonal chain stores in shopping centers."

Distributors and suppliers report that during the recent recession a number of factory workers who had been laid off from their jobs toyed with the idea of keeping busy with a string of machines. Said one supplier: "They soon learned that it is not an easy get-rich-quick proposition and dropped out. As a result of this fast turnover of parttime operators, today there are a lot of peanut and gum machines rusting in basements around here."

Bulk vending is dominated here by a handful of operators. The high (Continued on page 60)

Ind. Cig Tax **Hike Unlikely**

INDIANAPOLIS - An imminent possibility of a renewed attempt to increase Indiana's 3-cent cigarette tax vanished with the counting of the ballots on the night of November 4.

Strongly supported by the in-

convince people to take thier shots.

Foundation Work

Frost also described the work the Foundation is doing in research with virus diseases, arthritis and central nervous disorders.

Lester Reiss, local March of Dimes executive, suggested that micks. operators be encouraged to give a portion of one day's collection to the Foundation.

He cited the example of Charles Bernoff, Regal Music, who did so and gave \$497 to the March of Dimes. Rapp suggested that such a program could be publicized, with posters on each machine proclaiming that a certain percentage of the day's receipts would be given to the March of Dimes.

WVMOA to **Battle Taxes** In New Year

LOS ANGELES --- Campaign for equitable taxes on bulk vending machines in surrounding municipalities will be stepped up after the first of the year, members of the Western Vending Machine Operators' Association voted at their regular monthly meeting at the Unique Restaurant, November 25. There will be no meeting in December.

William H. Siegle, president, led a discussion of what the group considers discriminatory taxation. Municipalities of Lakewood and Garden Grove were singled out for the first move, with a committee to appear before the city administrators to plead the case.

thanked by members for his recently held in Chicago (The Billpromptness in mailing the meeting notices. Daniel F. Lally, treasurer, advised that the restaurant was in- Rolfe Lobell and was held in the manufacturer. creasing its dinner prices.

President Siegle re-introduced

Would conduct a January drive to On Feature Charms During 1959.

tion's leading charm manufacturers see a shifting of emphasis away from fill and toward the more expensive feature charms and gim-

tic Processes has 60 per cent of his clusively on gimmicks, but Gugproduction devoted to feature genheim intends to keep the same charms this year, and he plans to production ratio. boost this figure to 80 per cent A wide price gap exists between feature charms are selling well. next year. In 1957, most of his fill and feature charms, with the production was on fill charms.

NEW YORK - Four of the na- production is 80-20 for feature | tween \$7 and \$15 a thousand. charms, and he plans to keep the both Paul Price and Bob Guggenfill pieces. Next year, Price in-For example, Bill Falk of Plas- tends to concentrate almost ex-

former selling for about \$2 a thou-Sam Eppy says that his current sand and the latter ranging be-

NEXT CONVENTION **NVA Stages Business** Meets in Afternoon

meetings and morning exhibit dising were suggested as good hours are two basic programming changes in next year's National Vendors' Association convention, said association counsel Milton Raynor last week.

The convention itself will be held April 17-19 in Chicago, he continued. Site where it will be staged is yet to be selected.

The business meetings will be ings, beginning at 1:15, will be held in the same room as the luncheon and will last until approximately 3:15 in the afternoon. Two short business sessions will be held during the NVA convention, said Raynor.

These were the main results of the bulk vending industry, the in-Bill Coombs, secretary, was a convention committee meeting offices of counsel Raynor.

Also discussed by the committee Sales and Service, pointed out that

CHICAGO-Afternoon business and films on selling and merchanpossibilities. It was definitely de- ers), Western charms and vacuumcided to reserve open time during plated items. the second business meeting for And while the charm manufacgeneral discussion by all in attend- turers will concentrate more and ance. This will give everyone the more on new items and features, chance to put before the common the old favorites will still account group special problems or ideas for a substantial part of their prothat he may have, said Raynor.

immediately preceded by a noon luncheon, said Raynor. The meet-ingen beginning at 1:15 will be Would Help Bulk Ops

NEW YORK --- While the to the Congress and to the Treaspenny vend still is the mainstay of ury Department. According to Mandell, the only

creasing cost of ingredients and laitem which can be vended profitbor is reducing the operator's profit ably for a penny is ball gum. board, December 1). The meeting margin to a dangerous point, ac- Charms, he explained, promote the was presided over by chairman cording to Sam Eppy, local charm sale of ball gum, but they must be vended for more than a penny

Moe Mandell, Northwestern if they are to stand alone.

The increased emphasis on the same ratio next year. For 1958, more expensive charm items is regarded as a healthy sign for the heim each turned out roughly the industry. For one thing it indisame number of feature pieces as cates that operators are taking on tax increases voted by the Remore pains in stocking their machines and are alert for new ideas. For another thing, it indicates that the all-charm machine is gaining in popularity and that the new

Old Favorites

But despite all the new releases, there are enough perennial items often fill – which consistently earn money for the operator.

Among the all-time favoritestho not necessarily in the order named-are rings, compasses, harmonicas, buttons and charms which of old taxes. For theirs will be a glow in the dark.

Other categories which never seem to die out are charms which are anatomical in nature (false teeth, etc.) labeled charms (records, grocery products, etc.), action charms (games, scissors, pli-

duction.

cumbent State administration, a bill hiking the excise to 4 cents was nearly enacted in the closing hours of the 1957 session of the Indiana General Assembly. The raise was resisted massively by Hoosier tobacco dealers.

Democrats staked their campaign publican-led Legislature in 1957 and approved by the Republican governor, Harold W. Handley.

In conformity with the national pattern of the 1958 election, normally Republican Indiana was carried by the Democrats, and even Governor Handley, seeking a seat in the U. S. Senate, was buried under an avalanche of Democratic ballots.

Now the Democrats will be in a position to implement their pledge against new taxes or the increase lop-sided control of the House of Representatives while in the Senate they will be only three votes behind their Republican antagonists. Handley, tho thwarted in his bid for the U. S. Senate, remains governor for another two years.

Even without the raise in the cigarette tax, Hoosier operators were staggered by the comprehensive increases of Indiana taxes in 1957. The State derives the major portion of its revenue from what is known as the "gross income tax." Cigarette vending machine operators who had been paying at the rate of 1 per cent were raised in 1957 by 50 per cent, to 11/2 per cent. The wholesalers' hike was 100 per cent, from one-fourth of 1 per cent to one-half of 1 per cent.

Raynor Will Talk At Graff Party

DALLAS-Milton Raynor will be featured speaker at a Christmas dinner party of Graff Vending Supply Company, announced President Everett Graff last week.

The party will be held Decem-



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creates sustomer resentment. Eppy pointed out that because New York Bulk Vendors Associa- continue to set company policy. of inflation, the purchasing power tion agrees that the customer has of the penny is fast disappearing. a psychological block when it He cited the tremendous produc- comes to inserting two coins in a president, while Manuel Yellen, tion of pennies and suggested that bulk vending machine. some of this production might well He pointed out that on his own tor of advertising, moves into the be diverted to the manufacture operation, the two-coin vend has of a 2-cent coin.

vend bulk items for two single pen- coin available. this resistance nies failed because the child is in would not have materialized. the habit of inserting one coin for his purchase. He feels that if a

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FINEST RECONDITIONED D Silver King, 1c or 5c..... \$ 8.50 Model V's 8.50 Atlas Capsule Machine 10.00 Baby Grand, 5c 7.50 17.50 Premiere Card Machine Hot Nut Machine, 3 Col..... 22.50 15.00 Stamp Machine, 2 Col. Shipman Stamp Machine, 3 Col. 22.50 Pen Machines 14.50

2-Cent Coin Would Help 5 Top Executives

been tried and found wanting.



NEW YORK -- Five top ex-

ecutives of the P. Lorillard Company have been named to new ing chief executive officer and Roger Folz, president of the chairman of the board. He will Harold F. Temple, vice-president and director of sales, becomes formerly vice-president and direcberth vacated by Temple.

In other promotions, George A According to Eppy, attempts to Folz reasons that were a 2-cent Hoffman, director of manufacturing, becomes a vice-president, and Morgan J. Cramer, director of export and government operations, joins the board of directors.

Bantam Super Chalks Gains

CHICAGO-A beginning trend toward bantam supermarkets may provide valuable new locations for bulk vending operators. These pint-sized supers are designed for convenience shopping-chiefly of staple foods-for metropolitan residents. The stores keep long hours, and are often open until midnight, seven days a week.

The movement began in Scuthern California, Texas, Florida and the Denver area, with spotty growth in major cities elsewhere. Three new firms recently announced plans to launch chains of the bantam success. according to Supermarket News, Convenient Food Marts opened the first of 1,000 projected stores in



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Attack Racketeer Pressuring Of Distribs in Senate Probe Detroit Hood, Frank Cammarata, Questioned

During Committee Hearings; Pleads Fifth

WASHINGTON -- A blockade | Angott Distributing, a company | run by racketeers against distributors of Seeburg music machines was the target hit by the Senate committee on rackets in labor and management last week (4) in its preliminary probe of the coin industry.

During the brief but fiery session, committee chairman John end picketing. The company failed Youngstown, O., where Music Sys-McClellan (D., Ark.) became increasingly annoyed at witness Frank Cammarata, an old-time Detroit hoodlum, for pleading the fifth amendment. McClellan called on committee staffers to develop background on Cammarata and his connection with the juke box industry.

Arthur Kaplan, assistant counsel for the committee, said he had investigated Cammarata and uncovered a situation where Music Systems, Inc., distributor for Seeburg in Detroit and Ohio, had Music Systems but to buy from

Seeburg Holds **Foreign Shows**

CHICAGO-Overseas showings of the new Seeburg line were held recently in Puerto Rico and Switz-

favored by Teamster Local 985, prober Kaplan, Music Systems no headed by William Bufalino in De- longer had trouble selling matroit.

New Union

an independent union so it could of the underworld in Detroit. put union labels on machines and in its attempts, however, and called tems was having trouble selling on Cammarata. Cammarata met Seeburg "100" machines. The dison Cammarata. Cammarata met Seeburg "100" machines. The diswith Vincent Meli, a juke box tributor here tried to get into the operator who opposed Music Sys- International Brotherhood of Electems, and it took only a few words trical Workers but couldn't. A few in Italian or Sicilian to straighten words from Cammarata, and Emout the problem. Cammarata in manuel D'Amato took over the effect told Meli to be "nice" to franchise and there was no dif-Music Systems and not give trouble.

In a short time, according to chines. Committee counsel Kennedy pointed out that Meli's broth-Music Systems tried to set up er, Angelo, is the elder statesman

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Denver Ops Fear \$50 Juke Tax

DENVER--Phonograph operators in Denver are watching with apprehensive interest a proposed \$50 tax on phonographs which may be applied during 1959.

To date, operators have paid \$12.50 per year on juke boxes, levied by the city and county of Denver. The tax on games is \$10.

the underworld in Detroit. Cammarata next appeared in At.-N.Y. School

NEW YORK --- Murray Kaye of the Atlantic - New York Corporation reports that some 35 operators and servicemen attended the Seeburg service school Monday (24). The schools will be held each Monday thru the fall and most of the winter.

Emphasis has been on stereo, with John Stuperitz, factory field engineer, in charge of the sessions. According to Kaye, Atlantic-New York has made 60 stereo installa-EP's.

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George Sammons: From **Office Boy to President**

Senate Probe To Focus on Labor Unions

WASHINGTON-In a statement issued earlier on the forthcoming Senate investigation, Senator McClellan said the committee is endeavoring to discover the extent of racketeer infiltration into the coin machine industry.

Focal point, he said, will be an attempt to determine whether or not labor unions in this field have been formed and operated for legitimate labor union aims or whether in many cases they have been formed as an adjunct to and enforcement arm for management acting in collusion to allegedly monopolize the industry.

About 100 witnesses have been subpoenaed to appear, including Gerardo Catena, Newark, N. J.; Joseph Massei, Miami; Joseph Indellicato, Miami; Harold Sherry, Los Angeles; Harry Friedman, tions in the New York area, with Cleveland; Carlos Marcello, New all stereo machines set at 10-cent Orleans; Raymond Patricarca, play for singles and 15 cents for Providence, and Fred Sica, Los Angeles.

Second Juke Assn. trouble selling machines. Operators were told not to buy machines from Music Systems, but to buy from **UMO Future Uncertain, Officials Not** Available; 41 Signed to New Group

DETROIT — A major reshuf- its offices in the Fort Wayne Hotel fling appears to be under way in here, but inquiries at the hotel inthe Detroit juke box trade associa- dicate that personnel have been tion scene.

"on vacation" for about two weeks.

About 41 operators met last week Roy Small, consiliator and public and organized a new group, Music relations counsel of UMO, has been Operators, Inc.; elected temporary out of town for about three weeks officers and promptly proceeded in connection with other business to file incorporation papers for a interests and was not expected back until late last week (past Billboard press time), according to Mrs. Small. She did, however, say that a statement on the UMO was anticipated upon his return. Lew Piazza, meanwhile, acting as spokesman of the new association, said that 45 operators attended the original meeting and all He's constantly on the go, traveling Memphis branch of a Dallas but four had been signed up. Piazza said the new group would restrict membership to juke box operators, leaving out amusement games and vending machines.

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erland.

Over 150 persons, including distributors' representatives, operators and record tradesters attended a showing held by Jose A. Negroni, Puerto Rican distributor, Sunday, November 9. The Seeburg factory was represented by Ed Blank and W. S. VanDerhoef.

A service school was held Monday (10) for all distributor personnel attending, with an attendance of about 40.

The meeting in Switzerland was held in Congress Hall, November 7, in Zurich. Attendance was primarily limited to other distributor representatives from Sweden, Austria, France, Belgium, Italy, Germany and Switzerland. Weyman rection of Roy Small, UMO's con-Deeg, Seeburg engineer was on hand as was G. Gilbert.

State charter in Michigan.

The future of the existing group, United Music Operators of Michigan (UMO), now appears uncertain, and association officials are unavailable for comment.

First Meeting

The first meeting of the new association (MOI) was held at the salesroom of Fabiano Sales & Service Company. The group named Leo Piazza conciliator and director of public relations. Interestingly, Piazza comes to the new organization after being field man with the United Music Operators under diciliator.

UMO meanwhile still maintains

LETTER TO EDITOR

Title Strips on Record Sleeves Not Practical

The following letter was received from Norman W. Morgan, manager of Star Title Strip Company, in response to a suggestion by an Alabama operator that title strips be made a part of the record sleeve. The original suggestion by Dr. H. E. Killian appeared in the November 24 issue of The Billboard. The Billboard would be interested in any ideas on this subject. What's your opinion? Address all replies to Robert L. Dietmeier, Coin Machine Editor, The Billboard, 188 West Randolph, Chicago.

"Dear Editor:

"I would like to take this opportunity to thank The Billboard magazine for the chance to answer Mr. Killian's letter published in strips on the record sleeve is not your November 24 issue.

acute lack of knowledge concerning the printed title strip field. I would like to enumerate a few points of workable. The burden of this new group. information for him and for others added cost would be passed on to who are not informed.

Alabama territory does not make additional burden. it a nationwide problem. The greatest majority of operators are printed title strip service is avail- use trying to patch it up.

modern one-stops and distributors provide the free printed title strips as part of their service.

⁴2. The idea of printing the title a new one. Some 10 years ago, complex and expensive to be

Officers

Temporary officers of the new Music Operators, Inc., all major operators in their own right, are: President, Lou Nemesh, Grand Music; vice-president, Frank Alluvot, Frank's Music; secretary-treasurer, Carl Angott, Angott Distributing Company; directors, Frank Fabiano, Fabiano Sales & Service, and Vincent Meli, Meltone Music. (See story on Senate hearings for other references to Meli and Angott.)

Permanent officers will be elected in the near future, officials said. Headquarters have been established at 13502 Fenkell Avenue, with exchange answering service TRinity 1-4811.

Altho there was no further comment from officials of the new organization at this time, an indication of the tone of conditions can be had by statements made earlier in the week by Frank Alluvot, then only a prime organizer of the group.

Reorganization

Alluvot stated flately that the "music industry in Michigan was reorganizing." He said that five of the largest operators in the Motor "Mr. Killian's letter displays an Star was toying with this idea but City had "walked out" of UMO. discarded it because it was too Significantly, these same five turned out to be the officers of the

Alluvot stated that "the old assothe operators. Title strips must be ciation (UMO) hadn't done any-"1. A situation prevalent in the a relief for the operator, not an thing for the members for months. If you are dissatisfied with some-"3. An economical, flexible thing" he continued, "there's no

By ELTON WHISENHUNT

MEMPHIS--One of the best known juke box figures in the Mid-South, George Sammons, started out as an office boy and ended up owning the company he now heads.

The tall, pleasant southerner is president of Sammons-Pennington Company, local Seeburg distributor. some section of the territory every week, calling on operators and distributor. handling sales for his firm.

Early Start

for Jack Canipe Sr., one of the ice, repairs, bought records, pioneers in the juke box field.

Canipe operated in several parts of the country. Sammons worked for him when he was 16 and still in high school. He was an office boy and was hired to answer the phone and relay calls to route men.

In 1938, when he graduated, he was hired as a route man. At that time the name of the company was Electric Ball Company and was the company, which was the Seeburg

Young Sammons worked a route from 1938 to 1940 and learned Sammons started to work in 1936 the business. He took care of serv-(Continued on page 63)



GEORGE SAMMONS, seated, started out as an office boy at 16 and



Coinmen You Know

New York

Al (Senator) Bodkin is busy dramming up donations for one of his favorite charities - the National Catholic Community Services USO. Bodkin and Meyer Parkoff, Atlantic - New York, are co-chairmen for the Coin Machine Division of the NCCS. Anyone wishing to donate to the NCCS, which provides food and entertainment for servicemen of all faiths, may do so by writing the Senator at 69-10 Yellowstone Boulevard, Forest Hills, N. Y.

Barney Sugarman, Runyon Sales, is back on the job after a siege in the hospital and a recuperation period at home. ... Johnny Bilotta, New York State Wurlitzer distributor, is back at Newark, N. Y., after a Florida vacation and a business trip to Chicago.

Eremi Levine, Keystone Music, is leaving the city for California. He sold his route to Larry Ser-

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the music associations in the city is to go along for two, three, four or five years and then we get off on the wrong track and break up."

He wouldn't elaborate further, tho, on what specifically he meant by the "wrong track."

Rift

Signs that a rift has been brewing within UMO, tho on a strictly behind-the-scenes basis, have become increasingly apparent in recent weeks.

lin, Lou Price and Morris Kahan of County Enterprises.

George Holtzman is out of the hospital and home recuperating.... Tom Greco, Greco Bros., Glasco, N. Y., reports that six inches of snow have fallen in his area, slowing up the routemen on their rounds. . . . Lou Boorstein, Leslie Distributors, is taking golf lessons.

Chicago

There just isn't any way of coinmen and most coin exhibitors, on hand to spoil it. No small man the park show last week was a big, himself, Ford suggested that for a fat bust. It is true that the arcade Texan, 10 one's were for pikersequipment manufacturers, and one they should be 100's. That ended or two other major equipment that (Ford escaped without serious manufacturers with arcade piecesnotably Chi Coin and Ballyundoubtedly did better than the Casola most of the time. In fact, rest. But the question of why many companies continue to exhibit year after year-especially those without equipment which might directly appeal to park liams' exhibit premises (a fact people-is a good one. This year's which also explains why Sam turnout and results was so poor, Lewis, Williams sales exec, took it's about time the coin industry his exhibit duties so seriously). decide what's in it for them. isn't one a year - MOA-enough? Nobody would rather see another back from recent trips East. He than we would if it was worthwhile. But from what we can recollect, they were all-out outings, not conventions.

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Rivaling the park show-and probably surpassing it-for real interest was the now-famous Texas scratchpad story which made the rounds last week. It seems that Fat Jimmy Johnson, from San Antonio, was in town with a unique piece for taking down notes, a "Texas Scratch Pad." It consisted of 10 crisp new onedollar bills. Fat Jimmy proudly showed it to Billy DeSelm, United sales chief, watched closely to get his reaction when he opened it up. Billy thought it was a fair idea and what one might expect of a Texan, and a big Texan at that. But getting around saying that for Dick Ford, BB coin ad chief, was injury). At the show, the United booth was ably manned by Johnny he was so conscientious about his assignment, BB decided to check into it. Finding: Claudia Davy, a beautiful doll gracing the Wil-Herb Oettinger, United veepee, also hosted at the United booth, all-out coin convention and exhibit was happy to report that the United juke box is rolling along. Also spotted at the United booth: Sam Weisman and Harry Berger of Double-U Sales of Baltimore. Sam was bemoaning the park bust.

Irving Kaye and Buddy Knox, both of whom manned the Irving Kaye booth, were also conscienthat the record companies are satis- the same reason as above, except the commercial printed title strip Next door to Kaye's, Chi Coin's companies. They leave the title jumbo-sized exhibit was humming much of the time, largely it "4. The growth of the printed seemed because of "hot interest" (Harry Glick's term) in the Commando Machine Gun Gallery and trailer installation. It could be that Mort Secore would be more places the buyer at once than he was taking care of the prospects, but it's doubtful. Art Weinand, CC's sales head, seemed happy enough about the proceedings, was last seen huddled in close conference with a coin tradester talking deals. Bally's Herb Jones reported he'd picked up a few new contacts for coin rides and all in all, thought this was about s.o.p. for the park run. Bill O'Donnell, Bally sales exec, (better known as the "Iron Man" for endurance) busied himself during the week entertaining the visiting firemen. Art Garvey put in an appearance at the show and was off to better things.

Tune Talk ····

Earl J. Bowman, veteran St. Louis coinman, tells what records he is putting out on the route this week.



the picks

Problems, Everly Brothers (Cadence)

"I listen a good deal of the time to disk jockey shows, and this record was heard many times on the various programs. Thea, too, we have about six locations on which we try out new records the minute something comes out, and in the two weeks at these spots this tune got good play on all the locations tested."

Caravan, Cozy Cole (Love)

"Cozy Cole just hit the record market with two good tunes, 'Topsy' and 'Turvy,' and his latest is being put out because of his past performance. He (Cozy Cole) is a hit on the market now."

Hideaway, Four Esquires (Paris)

"Frankly, this one is going out because of the stars. They usually put out a record which gets good play, altho it may not be at the top of the heap."

It's All in the Game, Tommy Edwards (MGM)

"This ballad is not a new tune, but a rewrite of an old one. It was picked out because of its popularity on disk jockey shows and it did alright at our test locations.

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UMO, shortly after moving into new quarters at the Fort Wayne Hotel recently, announced a "program of reactivation" would get under way.

Conciliator Small also was known to be in favor of setting up a profitsharing type of operating corporation, with shares available for all subscribing operators.

The idea was for some of the smaller companies to pool their efforts and resources in one co-operative effort. A number of operators were even named to an organizing committee, but nothing ever came of the effort.

Status Clouded

The status of the trade associaand their success in getting mem- portion of the United States. bers, with many observers already pointing out that their present figure of 41 can be significant-depending upon the degree of activity.

distributors. I am safe in saying tious about their booth duties (for fied with the services offered by that we didn't catch her name). strip business in our hands.

title strip was due to following important factors: The introduction of this type of service for the operator by Star, the fine cooperation from the record companies, the acceptance by the operator of our services.

"Our success in the printed title strip business can be credited to the record industry and the progressive operator businessman. Their success is further success for 115.

"The Southern States badly tion picture now appears to be need printed title strips and we are clouded. Certainly significant will making every effort to encourage be whatever action conciliator the adoption of this service. I feel Small of UMO may or may not take sure that the one-stops and disupon his return to the local scene. tributors in Alabama will provide But of equal significance will be the free title strip service which is steps taken by the new association so customary thruout the major

"Sincerely yours,

- "Star Title Strip Company, Inc. (Signed) "Norman W. Morgan
- "Manager"

Valley's Earl Feddick and Pack Sound Engineering's Stan Piotraczk (formerly with Valley) held down the fort at Valley's convention booth and both looked like they were at least enjoying themselves in the Windy City, altho maybe not quite as much as the time they came to town to take A.B.T.'s George Kozy to the Chez Paree

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Christmas Tunes, Mitch Miller (RCA Victor) Christmas Tunes, Elvis Presley (RCA Victor)

"These two EP's go without question, because both are done by top artists in the business."

Earl J. Bowman, route manager of Coin Craft, operating division of J. Rosenfeld Company in St. Louis, was an electrical engineer before going into the coin machine industry in 1931. He later headed Ace Machine Company, music and amusement games machines firm, for about five years before being drafted in 1942. A former Army technical sergeant, he spent 33 months in service and saw action in the China-Burma-India theater.

His military life laid the groundwork for his hobby-raising minks-which started out as a joke. A friend in service tried to interest him in mink raising, but he declined. The friend went to Wisconsin "and did well." He continued to write Bowman and about three years ago the coinman purchased six minks, caring for them in his back yard.

"It became more and more interesting," Bowman says, "until finally the back yard was too small." His present 180 minks are being raised on a farm, bought about a year ago, at Pacific, Mo. Bowman, who has been with Coin Craft since 1946, and his wife (Cleo) make their home at Valley Park, a St. Louis municipality. Speaking of his hobby, he adds, "I've got just about enough for a mink coat."

"Tune Talk" is a special feature for juke box operators. Each week The Billboard interviews a different juke box operator or route record buyer to find out what records they are putting out on their route that week, and why.

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changed the machines, did all the Memphis branch of S. H. Lynch work of a route man.

Company opened a sales office in ager of the Memphis branch. Memphis to sell to the operators January, 1942, when he went off electronics in the Navy. to war.

Returning to Memphis, he learned president. the history of the company he had been with:

In 1943 the Electric Ball Company had closed its Memphis office because the Seeburg Corporation went into war production making electronic equipment for the Army, Company. Navy and Air Force.

Company, Inc. The company presi- Mid-South area. The company has

in Memphis. Sammons opened a customers.

In 1940 the Electric Ball phonographs. Sammons was man-

Sammons brought in with him D. in the Mid-South area. Jack Canipe V. (Cotton) Pennington to head the Sr., was named branch manager repair department. Pennington had and Sammons assistant manager. been an electronic engineer during Sammons worked on sales until the war-an instructor in radar and

The company made good prog-He entered as a private, served ress. Sammons handled sales. Tho in the quartermasters corps, won a president, he worked hard calling commission and was discharged a on operators and selling machines first lieutenant in January, 1946. as if he were an employee, not the

In 1951 Pennington became a partner and service manager when lieved that a completely rede- company officials. Sammons and Pennington bought signed cabinet is in the works for branch of S. H. Lynch Company

The company took over the same In 1944 Electric Ball Company territory and directly represented changed its name to S. H. Lynch the Seeburg Corporation in the dent was S. H. Lynch, of Dallas. grown since then. It's been be-Sammons, a civilian and the war cause of the hard work of the man over, contacted Lynch and ar- at the top and his employees, and ranged to represent the company the first-class service he gives his

Attack Racketeer Pressure

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ficulty selling machines. The union | orders, has been arrested 18 times. later was absorbed by the team- The charges ranged from possessing siers.

D'Amato is a relative of Cam- and association, with the most nomarata, but again Cammarata torious hoodlums in the Detroit and out that teamster president James

Probers tried to establish that bery. He is connected by family Clellan said.

Sammons: Office Boy to Prez Wurlitzer Unveils Full Stereo, Memphis branch of S. H. Lynch Company, distributors of Seeburg Monaural Line to Distributors **Operator Showings Expected Early in '59;** Feature Redesigned Cabinet, New Speakers

CHICAGO---Wurlitzer distrib- | its new phonographs, with the | with several types of speaker syslast week to view new stereo and models. monaural models that the firm is

after the first of the year.

utors throut the U. S. plus 18 firm believed to stick to its tradi- tems available to operators on foreign countries gathered here tional 200 and 104 selection either their monaural or stereo pho-

The new line was shown at the expected to bring out some time firm's distributor meeting held in stick with its present floor cabi-Miami's Carrillon Hotel, November net speaker, available with stereo Altho details of the new line are 21-22. The meeting was of course not available, it is generally be- closed to all but distributors and various types of wall and ceiling

However, broad general comout the assets of the Memphis the firm. It's also expected that ments indicated that Wurlitzer was Wurlitzer will have both stereo shooting toward a completely flex-

staff members earlier.

Senator McClellan announced that this week.

he will ask the Treasury Departwas shown to Cammarata.

Such leniency is a source of con-

Committee staffers also pointed Tuesday (8 or 9).

of the machines operated by Cammarata antagonized the com- marata was serving a term in a metti, no further witnesses will be day of the meeting (22) being de-D'Amato. While testimony was mittee from the very start of the Michigan prison. Robert Scott, a heard until early January. Postpone- voted entirely to individual sales sketchy because of Cammarata's 45-minute session. He appeared Michigan labor official, testified ment was made because Senator discussions and a certain amount during an earlier phase of the of the ment was made because Senator discussions and a certain amount during an earlier phase of the probe that Hoffa had made such quorum of his colleagues to ap- of Miami sun, water and natural marata, who is under deportation nedy pointed out, however, that a request. beauty. pear.

Cammarata was not too poor to buy| Senator McClellan, obviously ima house or a new car. Kennedy also patient with Cammarata's constant labeled his strong accent as just an pleading of the fifth amendment, act. maintaining that Cammarata ordered him to appear before the had spoken much more clearly to committee in January if he has not deported himself by then. Further, Kennedy said Camma- Cammarata told immigration of rata filed no income tax returns ficials he would be out of the U.S. from 1939 to 1946, but was never by December 1, but was granted prosecuted for that nor the faulty an extension to appear before the returns he made in latter years. probers. He is slated to leave early placed on separation thru use of

A second witness slated to apment to explain why such leniency pear last Thursday did not make it because of a mix-up in arrangements. The witness was Joseph weapons illegally to armed rob- cern to law-abiding citizens, Mc- Blumetti, Youngstown Teamster official. He will appear Monday or

Hearings were originally planned distributors might have.

nographs.

It appears that Wurlitzer will phonographs, but will also add speakers that can be utilized in a variety of ways in setting up stereo.

Chief differentiation between the stereo and monaural phonoand formed Sammons-Pennington and monaural versions of each of ible arrangement in its new line, graphs is of course in cartridge, wiring and amplifier (single for monaural, dual for stereo).

Both stereo and monaural phonographs, however, are expected to have speakers in the phonograph cabinet, altho actual speaker usage on stereo models has not yet been decided. It is expected, however, that channel separation of sound on speakers within the phonograph will be discouraged, with emphasis supplemental speakers.

The two-day meeting got under way the morning of the 21st in the hotel's large Club Carrillon Room. Distributors were shown the new models, and actual floor discussion was held on sales philosophy and recommendations that the various

pleaded the fifth. He also refused Ohio areas, according to counsel Hoffa allegedly tried to win a par- to run three or four weeks. How-Both lunch and dinner were to tell whether he gets a percentage Kennedy. don for Cammarata when Cam- ever, with the exception of Blu- served that day, with the second

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GOTHAM OP TELLS

Dime Play and Guarantees Combine To Keep Collections at '57 Level

minimum guarantees have kept the play equipment goes on at 10 cents wolf away from Joe Connors' door. Connors, a vice-president of the ter. But 100-play boxes are set at Music Operators of New York and dimes for singles and five for a head of Connors' Automatic Music, a medium-sized juke box operation, reports that current collectionsabout \$11 or \$12 a week after commissions-are just about the same as last year, and he's actually making more money than he did a year ago.

Connors feels that one of the prime reasons for his improved financial status is that he is not location happy. He points out that he is operating on fewer stops than he did a year ago, but these stops are all profitable ones. During the course of the year, Connors pruned the dead wood from his route, replacing them with locations that realist. pay their own way.

He also tightened up on loans and bonuses, and he now insists on minimum guarantees ranging from \$10 to \$20 a week. On new equipment, Connors will get a weekly minimum of \$18 to \$20, while minimums on 100-play equipment run between \$10 and \$15 weekly.

Gross Play Lags

After the minimum is reached, Connors will give the location a matching amount, with all money beyond that figure splitting 50-50. Gross play this year has been considerably behind 1957, but with the minimum guarantees in effect the decrease hasn't hurt Connors. Had Connors operated on a straight stable. For when a new location Army during the Korean conflict, les); Don Moloney, Dave Rosen,

for a single and three for a quarquarter.

During the course of the year, Connors has replaced a great many 100-selection machines with 200play boxes, and in the process has changed them from five to three plays for a quarter. Thus, with fewer actual plays, he has been able to keep his collections on a par with 1957.

Bonus Problem

Bonuses and commissions are a constant problem in the New York area. While Connors, like many other operators, would just as soon see the practice of buttering the Gene Waldman location owners eliminated, he is a

Connors has set an arbitrary limit of \$250 on advance commissions and \$200 on bonuses. And these limits generally apply to top locations for three-year contracts.

Not all of Connors' locations are under contract. Many times he will accept a handshake as the basis for installing a machine on location, and he says that the location owner will seldom go back on his word.

Change of Hands

But what has hurt Connors has been locations changing hands or going out of business. Now he attempts to limit advance commis-

NEW YORK --- Dime play and | lections to fall off. All new or 200-| feels isn't profitable, but not before giving it a fair try. If collections are below the minimum guarantee, he will switch equipment around so that the doubtful location gets a better machine. If the newer box fails to bring collections up to where they should be, he will kiss the location goodbye.

> While Connors hasn't as yet installed any stereo boxes on his locations, he plans to do so in the locations for the two-channel music and insisting that a \$25 weekly minimum guarantee go with each installation.

Joins Atlas Sales Staff

CHICAGO-A new sales staffer, looks like "the" one. Gene Waldman, 28, has joined Atlas Distributing Company here. vending sales.

Waldman is a native of Chicago, living on the Northside with his ber of the American Legion. After 50-50 split, he would really be in owner moves in, whatever conces- after which he worked for Union Joe Auton and Pete Pieters, and

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instead.

Capitol Projector's Sam Goldsmith and Leo Willkens believed the show turned out above par, at least above last year for them. They are pleased with results so far with their rental plan. Al Blendow, 35-year coin veteran, occupied with activities, and no time to reminisce.

Chet Gore, Exhibit Supply head, chuckling that the best salesmen for the firm's card venders is very near future, selecting his top Herb Tekip, Riverview Park's chief of arcades. Asked if ES was planning a move back into location equipment, Chet said, smiling, You never can tell. Right now, tho, the switch business is going like crazy." Joe and Mike Munves, looking not a day older (neither one) busy showing conventiongoers thru their exhibit, jammed with wares of many manufacturers. Johnny Frantz declaring that his new counter piece "Dodge City"

Many distribs were in town last Waldman, a newcomer to the coin week for the show and distrib machine field, has a background in meetings. Hosting were Bob Slifer, the wholesale liquor business. After NCMDA's executive director, and a brief training period at Atlas, he Gil Kitt, NCMDA prexy. Spotted will be responsible for music and here, there and around: J. D. Lazar, Jack Bess (looking more hale and hearty than ever if that's possible); Joe Kline (busy trying to wife and young son. He is a mem- persuade Mickey Anderson to get some equipment for him, two of sions and bonuses to locations graduating from school in 1947, something); Harold Lieberman which appear well established and Waldman put in two years in the (looking more dignified than Dul-

but decided to go to sleep early stereo installation set up at the Elbow Lounge, Touhy and Caldwell. The installation was a joint effort between Apex's own service chief, Norman Dompke, and Atlas Distributing Company's Frank Bach. It's supposed to be a show piece and used as such by the Seeburg factory.

> Christmas disks are going out on the routes thruout the city this week. However, most operators are relying more on old, traditional standards than any new tune. According to Ted Sipiora, at Singer, "We haven't had a really hot, new Christmas tune. The operators are using their old standards, at least at the start. Maybe some buying will take place later on some pop number that takes hold, but not yet." Sipiora reports their sales of Christmas records trailing last year by about 20 per cent as a result.

Paul Brown, possibly the only operator in the city that has both a highly successful juke box operation and a retail record store, says he's putting the holiday disks out on his route this week, but mentions only old standards. "Our retail sales are sticking with the old traditional stuff so far," he mentions, 'and that's what we start out with on the route," he says. Brown's disk buying is done mostly by his vivacious, young daughter, Sally Hansen, recently featured in a Billboard Tune Talk column. . . United Music boss, Jack Mitnick, was huddling a good part of the week with United Manufacturing head, Lynn Durant. Possible subjects: The firm's planned entry into stereo; plans to manufacture the United line overseas under license.

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Bilotta, looking especially pleased over inking the deal with George Smith of Tusko (see story).

Strictly Chicago: (Mrs.) Carolyn Weintraub, long-time office manager at Gil Kitt's Empire Coin Machine, is currently recovering from acting as hostess at a combination family reunion, Thanksgiving feast, and celebration during holidays attended by over 100. Event: Official welcoming of her new daughter-in-law Carol Weintraub into the family. She and hubbie live in L.A.... Zeke Wolf and Al Warren of Auto-Bell, moving around town fast during the week, huddling with distribs. Al finally got around to announcing Mickey Anderson as distrib..... Clarence Schuyler, Games, Inc., prexy, feeling good that his Wild Cat (the game) is rolling.

Kal Langer, who travels the outof-State territory for World Wide, local Rock-Ola distributor, was in Chicago last week on one of his infrequent visits. Langer is on the road almost continuously and is lucky if he spends five weeks out of the year in the Windy City. Occasion was Joel Stern taking his yearly vacation, with Langer temporarily helping out at Joel's desk. Stern, meanwhile, is touring the West Coast and Hawaii.

At the Rock-Ola factory Les Rieck is away traveling the East Coast territory, with E. G. Doris, the firm's new vicepresident in charge of sales, touring the opposite coast. Rieck is expected back this week after final stops in Washington and Baltimore, at which time Kurt Kluever takes off for a trip of his own.

Travel was order of the day for AMI's Ed Ratajack, who was in Grand Rapids, Mich., going over factory plans. . . . AMI district man, Hank Hoevanaar, spending a couple of days at AMI Sales with

Denver

By BOB LATIMER

John Stroheim, Phoenix games operator, returned from a deer hunting expedition on November 2 which was expected to require five days. Instead, Stroheim bagged a fine buck five minutes after getting out of his jeep in Kaibab National Forest, and was on his way home immediately.

Mike Savio, of Draco Sales Company, has returned from an extended sales trip to New Mexico and Southern Colorado. There has been no particular sales drop during the early fall months.

Elton Deines, Boulder, Colo., phonograph operator, was in Denver in late October, making plans for route expansion with distributors. . . . Roy Fletcher, Wyoming phonograph operator, brought a record truckload of eight venerable phonographs into Denver as trade-ins on new equipment for his Southwestern Wyoming route.

Milwaukee

By BENN OLLMAN

Juke box operator Frank Bartnik, owner of Banaco Music, flew to Crivitz, Wis., in his private plane to go deer hunting last week with his son Roger. Newcomer on the Badger Novelty Company sales staff is George Klamm, reportedly turning in a solid job of selling the new Rockola line. Klamm formerly worked for United, Inc. . . . First stereo juke box installation in the Appleton, Wis., area was recently put out by coinman Vince Klaus.

A new machine mover on the Harry Cisler Music Company payroll is John Sweeney. ... According to Harry Cisler, his entry in the stereo juke





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Tusko Announces New Sales Program

Name John Bilotta General Sales Manager; To Pick More Distribs, Map 3 New Rides

sales manager and announced both weeks. a program to name additional distributors and plans for three new duce "sometime in January" a new coin-operated kiddie rides.

Distributing Company, Newark, Tusko's current line features Baby N. Y., was appointed general sales Tusko, an elephant, and the Tusko manager of Tusko, effective De- Racer, a racing car ride. cember. 1, George C. Smith, TSC president, told The Billboard.

two key aids of his distributing rides." firm, John Shawcross and Bob Catlin, will direct the sales organization from his Newark coin machine headquarters. The Tusko kiddie ride plant is located at Thousand Oaks, Calif.

In a joint statement, Smith and Bilotta said that they "feel the move is one which is well suited to us both, since our experience and backgrounds complement each other." Smith, an engineer and designer, heads up manufacturing. Bilotta, veteran in the coin machine field, will head up sales.

Future Potential

"We both feel that the future holds much for the coin-operated kiddie ride field, particularly in new types of locations whose ride potential is yet to be scratched," the joint statement said.

Bilotta explained that city parks, drive-ins, public recreational areas and zoos are new potential markets basic problems and beefing up for coin kiddie rides.

CHICAGO-Tusko Sales Cor- | be naming more distributors both poration last week named a general in the U.S. and abroad in coming

Smith said the firm will introhorse ride, Smoky; and a camel John Bilotta, head of Bilotta ride "sometime in February."

The firm expects to bring out a fifth ride, a burro, following the Billotta said that he, assisted by introduction of the camel and horse

> Both the elephant and the racer carry a list price of \$795, f.o.b. Los Angeles. Both were shown at the park show in Chicago last week.

The basic feature of the firm's animal series is a "look as closely approximating the real thing as pos-sible," according to Smith. Bodies are constructed of paint impregnated plastic Fiberglas reinforced. (Continued on page 73)

BALLY WINS EXHIBIT AWARD, CHI COIN PLACES

CHICAGO-Bally Manufacturing Company won the Robert Guenther Award for the most meritorious exhibit of games and arcade equipment at the annual show of National Association of Amusement Parks, Pools and Beaches at the Sherman Hotel last week.

Chicago Coin Machine Company (Chicago Dynamic Industries) and Auto Photo each won honorable mentions for their exhibits.

Bally showed its line of four new coin kiddie rides, in addition to its standard models; Skill-Parade, a new upright game, and coin bowling equipment. Chicago Coin displayed its Commando Machine Gun gallery, Rebound Shuffle, bowling equipment and its new Commando Machine Gun trailer installation. Auto Photo showed two models of its photo unit.

'59 LOOK'S DIM, TOO **Tenn.** Pins Down And All But Out

This is the third in a series on the status of pinballs in various areas thruout the country.

By ELTON WHISENHUNT

MEMPHIS --- Pin games have declined steadily in the past year all over the State, and the prospects for 1959 are even dimmer, a survey by The Billboard last week disclosed.

There are several reasons, but the main over-all cause is the new law governing amusement games passed in 1955 which many operators interpret as a move to legislate games out of business. That law, which allows only one unrecorded free play on amusement pins, coupled with the high privilege tax on the machines have made them unprofitable for operators.

Bingo games are outlawed. Even in some private clubs in Nashville

where they are in use, the federal government requires a \$250 gambling tax on them. There are no inline or bingo-type games on location in public places in Tennessee.

The decline has been felt in the State's four major cities, Memphis, Nashville, Knoxville and Chattanooga, as well as on rural routes.

There have been no new laws or ordinances passed in the past year affecting them, but a law was introduced in the 1957 Legislature to make it a violation for anyone under 18 to play amusement games. including pinballs.

This was not passed. However, Memphis operators saw the beginning of the end for pinballs in 1956 when the city commission passed an ordinance making it a violation for anyone under 18 to play them in drugstores and similar places and outlawing anyone under 21 playing amusement games in places where beer was sold.

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NCMDA Board OK's Sweeping **Program to Boost Industry**

By BOB DIETMEIER CHICAGO-A sweeping pro-Dans centering on improving re-NCMDA officers and board members stamped its approval on plans centering on improving re-Dans centering on improving

Industry Pays **Final Tribute to**

ting a sales program under way mously approved last week by the and is picking aditional distributors National Coin Machine Distribufor the Tusko line. He said he will tors' Association.

gram of action aimed at solving business in every segment of the Bilotta said he is currently get- coin machine industry was unani-

Most Coinmen Yawn Arcade Piece **Thru NAAPPB Bust** 17 Coin Firms Exhibit at Poor Confab;

Those Heavy on Arcade Pieces Okayed It

week.

tending: It was a poor show from better than last year. the standpoint of the coin machine industry, perhaps the poorest to date, despite the fact that some exhibitors debuted new products,

CHICAGO --- The coin equip- all showed current new equipment ment lines of 17 manufacturers, and most staged impressive disincluding one newcomer, were plays. Attendance was low (one shown at the annual convention reason: airline problem), and with and exhibit of the National Associ- some notable exceptions, little busiation of Amusement Parks, Pools & ness was transacted. Some exhibit-Beaches at the Sherman Hotel last ors reported some inquiries. In general, firms with heavy accent Majority reaction, both of coin on arcade equipment were satisfied exhibitors and coin tradesters at- results were standard or even

(Continued on page 75)

lationships among manufacturers, distributors and operators, encouraging a flood of new ideas from the field for new or improved

Bee-Line Bows At Park Show

Satellite Tracker **Built by Newcomer To Coin Machines**

CHICAGO --- A new Arcade piece called Satellite Tracker was debuted at the NAAPPB show here I believe, from the manufacturers', last week by a newcomer to the too. coin machine manufacturing field.

The unit is being made by Bee-Line Company, 25-year-old, Davenport, Ia., manufacturer of (Continued on page 77)

that can be tied into a national program with other associations, and blueprinting an effective legislative program.

During the week, officers and board members met at top-level conferences with executives of a number of the major manufacturers to explain the basic aims and purposes of NCMDA's new program.

Bob Slifer, NCMDA's executive director, who presented the basic outline of a 10-point program to the board for their approval, said that he is "extremely pleased with the outcome of the meetings and is confident that NCMDA will do much next year to make the industry a better one for all segments."

Slifer, who attended the distributor-manufacturer meetings, along with Lou Bennett, NCMDA's legal counsel, characterized them as "eminently successful, both from the association's point of view and,

the meetings, "cleared the air" be-tween manufacturers and distribu-Coin Machine Division. tors about NCMDA, its aims and

NEW YORK --- Hundreds of members of the coin machine industry crowded into Riverside Memorial Chapel here Sunday (7) to pay final respects to Harry Rosen, 62, veteran automatic phonograph executive, who died December 3 in Miami.

Rosen, one of the pioneers in the industry, got his start 30 years ago when, in partnership with the late Nat Cohn, he opened the New York Rock-Ola distributorship, later handling the firm's juke box line.

In 1934 he left Rock-Ola and opened Modern Vending, the local Wurlitzer outlet. From 1942 to 1954 he was a partner with Meyer Parkoff in Atlantic-New York, the Seeburg distributorship.

He was in charge of the Atlantic-Pennsylvania Seeburg outlet for the next four years, retiring early in 1958.

Rosen was prominent in local philanthropic circles and had been Slifer said that he feels sure that guest of honor at the annual din-

He leaves a widow and two (Continued on page 74) daughters, Helen and Judy.

CHICAGO --- An equipment The program, which applies to



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FUN-LOVING YOUNGSTERS gang up at doorway prior to opening of Bowlette. These and many older youths disregarded five-inch snowfall and coldest weather of season in St. Louis area to patronize opening.

COIN-OPERATED BOWLING ALLEYS get a workout. Alleys are featured at 10 cents a game at the Ecwiette, Equipment is part of total game installations valued at \$25,000. Chicago Coin worked closely with firm in setting up installation.

500 Attend Opening **Of New Coin Palace**

Interest and Receipts Run High As Bowlette Debuts; Leagues Planned

By JOHN HICKS

ST. LOUIS--The opening of Jack Rosenfeld's Bowlette here the day after Thanksgiving was a gala occasion which aroused the interest of youths and parents who brought their children. About 500 persons, most of them patrons, visited the miniature coin-operated bowling palace the day it was opened despite the season's first snowstorm which left a five-inch blanket of snow and ice on the ground that by stating the Bowlette was operatmorning.

the recreational establishment was righted. Rosenfeld has accomformally launced, the crowd was plished something he has wanted so thick on sidewalks around it to do for a long time: "provide a that some had to be forced back place for the 60 to 65 per cent of in order that doors could be the adults who do not frequent opened. The Bowlette, a new ex- taverns and for children and teenperiment in amusements where agers who have not seen these bowling for 10 cents a game on games." coin-operated alleys is featured, is located in the busy Delmar Loop center and not an Arcade. The in University City, a St. Louis mu- philosophy behind it, Rosenfeld nicipality of about 57,000 resi- said, is the same as the approach dents. The launching was well timed, goes a long way." Friday was a school holiday and youths flocked into the Bowlette ing day, reservations were received throut the day and after neigh- from several persons. Four bouclosed. Families also attended Sat- were displayed around the bowling urday and Sunday. mother and father who brought interested persons throut the natheir six-year-old son to give him tion. bowling instructions. The parents explained that the boy wanted to cade operator, was on hand to inlearn to bowl, but was not able to spect the operations. Information handle a real bowling ball. Criss Cross hockey, Ski Ball, shuf- wrote letters. fles, shuffle games and other machines. In all, 50 units have been Chicago Coin Machine Company, installed and more are yet to come. Music is featured on a new stereophonic juke box. Other equipment lishment both Friday and Saturday. photograph, cigarette and refreshment machines. No pinballs are in game operators and bring new the array of amusement games in- blood into the business. stalled in the Bowlette.

amazement that most of the games, excluding bowling, could be played for 5 cents instead of the customary 10 cents. One youth kept putting a dime in a machine, and complained that it would not work. When told it costs only a nickel, he remarked that the Bowlette was the only place he knew where the game could be played for a nickel.

Rosenfeld, president of J. Rosenfeld Company here, explained this ing on a volume basis. In setting In fact, Rosenfeld said, before up the Bowlette, which is copy-The Bowlette is a recreational to miniature golf where "a dime During the course of the openborhood motion picture theaters quets of flowers from well wishers palace, and calls and wires were Among the first nighters were received from operators and other Charles Cook, Cincinnati, an Aralso was requested by other opera-Besides bowling, patrons played tors who called long-distance and Mort Secore, representative of which manufactures machines used in the Bowlette, was at the estabincludes a shooting gallery and He said the new venture here will "open a new phase for amusement Beside seating facilities for 40 (Continued on page 73)



YOUTHS PLAY AND INSPECT GAMES. In white shirt at right is Arthur Andrews Jr., manager, busying him-

Several young persons expressed

self by making sure everything is going well. Andrews is now setting up bowling leagues.



VIEW SHOWING MRS. JACK ROSENFELD (wife of Bowlette operator) in cashier's cage as patrons assemble for opening outside. Notice good number of Arcade units. Seats for bowling spectators are at left.







EXTERIOR OF BOWLETTE, located at busy corner in University City, a suburb of St. Louis; town has population of 57,000. Location is a remodeled 45 by 65-foot building which once housed a large drugstore.



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Production Rolls **On 2 Bally Rides**

CHICAGO-A fire engine and a stagecoach (Western Express), both coin kiddie rides, debuted at the park show last week by Bally Manufacturing Company, will go into production immediately, Herb Jones, vice-president, announced last week.

Two other rides shown for the first time at the show-Twin Ponies and the Bally Merry-Go-Roundare scheduled to go into production in 30 to 60 days.



Games, Inc., **Debuts New Upright Unit**

CHICAGO-Games, Inc., last week announced a new upright game called Wild Cat. Distributor shipments started the last week of November, Clarence Schuyler, president, said.

The unit features four columns of six targets, each with 13 different scoring combinations. Backglass highlights a wildcat; targets high, 28 inches wide and 16 inches deep. Shipping weight is 171 pounds.

Ed Martell Leaves Nat'l Shuffleboard

EAST ORANGE, N. J. --- Ed Martell, sales manager of the National Shuffleboard Company, has resigned his post to assume similar duties with Tri-State Engineering Corporation, Manchester, N. H., of manufacturer equipment.

Martell, originally a Massachusetts game operator, had been with National for two years.



CHICAGO-The Arcade business boomed in 1957, slipped badly in 1958 and should come back announced last week. strong in 1959.

That's a capsule summary Munves, head of the Mike Munves Corporation, large New York sup-

Dodge City

CHICAGO-First shipments of Dodge City, a new pistol counter game, began December 15, Johnny Frantz, president of the J. F. Frantz Manufacturing Company,

The game lists at \$137.50 f.o.b., Chicago. A metal stand lists at of the business, according to Mike Summary Si5.50. Target features the "Gold Gulch Saloon" and Wild West scenery background. There are 10 shots for 5 cents.

Frantz displayed a number of



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change of ideas between tradesters abroad and here will be worked out.

 Slifer is to make a thoro investigation of operator diversification, to determine particularly whether operators are getting into vending fields other than cigarettes, the results of the interrelationship between amusement and vending equipment.

• The adoption of a public relations program to be carried out on a local level was approved. In addition, the desirability of tying this program into a national one with State and local associations and other national groups, such as Music Operators of America, is to be investigated.

 NCMDA is to provide members with new ideas and suggestions on distributor sales, distributing and warehousing techniques.

 A study is to be made to determine the value today to the distributor and manufacturer of rental programs.

Declared Slifer: "I am verv mindful of the position that NCMDA has been in to date with respect to carrying out a fullfledged program of value to the entire industry. I do feel that with the program the board has approved, NCMDA is on the open road to seeing some of the industry's basic problems tackled, and I believe, solved. With the full support of manufacturers and operators, we can carry out our program to the betterment of all of us.

Mickey Anderson Auto-Bell Distrib

CHICAGO-Mickey Anderson, head of Mickey Anderson Amusement Company, Erie, Pa., coin machine distributor, was officially named distributor for Auto-Bell Manufacturing Company.

Al Warren, Auto-Bell sales manager, said that Anderson had been distributor for the firm for the last

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COINMEN YOU KNOW

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with excellent results in a pizza eatery location. . . . Carl Staska, L. R. Distributing Company routeman, upheld his reputation as a marksman by bringing back his deer from the North woods last leek.

A number of the local coinmen and one-stop personnel atteneded the cocktail party to herald the Garmisa Distributing Company of Wisconsin, Inc., opening. Disk wholesaler branch is headed by Johnny O'Brien, former boss of Major Distributing Company. . . Harry Jacobs Jr. and his wife journeved to Miami last week to attend the Wurlitzer distributor's conclave there.

Coinmen Yawn Continued from page 70

Despite generally poor coin results at show, an impressive number of visiting coinmen were in town, including large numbers of distributors, some of whom came in for the meetings of the distributor association (See separate story elsewhere on this page and Chicago coinmen).

not announced by NAAPPB earlier. Bee-Line, an automobile alignment manufacturer and newcomer to coin manufacturing business, Machine Gun Gallery and machine showed Satellite Tracker, a new arcade piece (see separate story). hockey game, Rebound Shuffle, Tusko, which did not have its own Horoscope, Chicago. exhibit but whose current line was J. F. Frantz Manufacturing displayed by its New York distribu- Company, Dodge City, new coun- generally agree that that was the tor, the Mike Munves Corporation, ter game, Rifle Sport, three-gun death knell sounding. They don't I showed Baby Tusko, an elephant shooting gallery, Kicker & Catcher, seem much inclined to put out any ride, and the Tusko Racer, a Chicago; Irving Kaye Company, money during the 1959 Legislature midget auto racer, also announced Inc., two-player roll down poker to fight any other bills aimed a new sales organization and two table, 6-pocket pool tables, street further crippling game operation new rides coming up (See separate cleaner, Brooklyn; Logan Distrib- It has been crippled about all i story). Atwood-Vaccum's A.B.T. uting Company, bulk vender supdivision showed its new dollar bill plies, Chicago; Mike Munves Corchanger. Valley Manufacturing poration, arcade equipment, bowl-Company, Bay City, Mich., showed ers, Bike Race, (their own arcade its coin pool line and Exhibit unit), New York; Philadelphia To-Supply its card vender and card boggan, skeeballs, Philadelphia; line.

Tenn. Pins Down and Out

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This cut down play tremendously in Memphis. Operators in Nashville, Knoxville and Chattanooga do not have this restriction, but even so.

Operators in these cities report the \$56.25 tax per machine is too high. Also they find the players and location owner tire of the pinball after a few weeks and ask for a new one.

"The cost is too high to come with a new one once a month," said an operator at Knoxville. "It seems that the young people who have the time to play them don't have the money, and the people with money don't have the time. The result is that the play on them has decreased very much due in a great part by the one free-play restriction."

Operators over the State face a proposed law in the State Legislature every two years to raise taxes on amusement games. Some of the proposed laws in the past eight years have been even more restrictive and would, in effect, kill the business.

Manufacturing Company, coin kiddie rides, upright game, and bowlers, Chicago; Capitol Projector Corporation, Record-A-Voice Audition Booth, Auto-Test, Piano Five firms showed which were Pete. Kiddie Musical Ferris Wheel, all arcade pieces, New York; Chicago Coin Machine (Chicago Dynamic Industries, Inc.), Commando gun trailer installation, bowlers,

Standard-Harvard Metal Typer, The 12 coin firms originally Inc., Chicago; United Manufacturgames, juke box; and Williams

Parker Henderson, general manager of Southern Amusement Company at Memphis, said he expects other such proposed bills in the their game play has decreased, 1959 Legislature which convenes in Nashville in January.

"We have to fight these bills every time," said Parker.

He said his company probably paid more city, State and county taxes (about \$22,000 a year) than did Goldsmith's, a large department store in Memphis which has one of the largest volume sales records in the South.

Drew Canale, owner of Canale Amusement Company, Memphis, said frankly that he no longer had games. They are not stable now like music and cigarette vending, which he has worked into most of his locations, Canale said.

"Games are nothing but a headache now," he said, "and as far as I am concerned I wouldn't care if they completely legislated them out. I think it can be said that that has already been done in Memphis."

Canale, who is in touch with most coin machine operators in Memphis, said there are relatively few games on location. Most operators do not have any, he said. They are "dying a natural death," as he put it.

He and most other operators which use any games at all use mostly shuffleboards or bowlers.

Operators in the other sections of the State still use some novelty pinball, s but not in the number in they did before 1955, when the blow came which hurt the business badly-the law restricting free plays to one. The decline has been steady and gradual 'since then.

Looking back on it, operators can short of death.



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Bee-Line Bows Arcade Item

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automobile alignment equipment. sight trained on a satellite which Bee-Line, a family friend, because is in orbit around the earth. of their experience in precision Scoring is based on this. With coin equipment and their manufacturing deposit, satellite begins to orbit facilities. Schaab tested the tracker around the earth, the patron track- on location on board the steamer ing it by means of two small Admiral. tracking wheels mounted vertically, one on each side of a steering post. The patron must operate one wheel two radio-controlled boats, a twowith each hand to move the footer and a four-footer, and is curtracking device. Each time the rently building a miniature autodevice overtakes the satellite, a score is registered on the control of his own making. He plans to inpanel scoreboard.

Features include a rocket aimer which moves with wheel movement, TV-type target area showing outer space, the world and the satellite and moving radar antenna mounted on top. The earth, satellite and scoring panel are illuminated in black light.

Listing at \$795, f.o.b. Davenport (one-third down, balance on, sight draft), the tracker measures 32 inches wide, 62 inches long and 72 inches high.

Joseph Michael (Bud) Schaab, designer and engineer of the machine, is in charge of its production and sales. Schaab said that he would announce plans for distribution to the tracker early in January. He said he also has another Arcade piece in the pilot stage.

This is Schaab's first entry in the coin machine field. Just 29, he graduated from Christian Brothers College H. S. in St. Louis (his home town) in 1946, worked there as a tool designer at the Alco Valve Company from 1946 to 1948, as a tool maker at the Haake Machine Tool Company, 1948 to 1950; as

(1956-1958). He took the tracker Object of the game is to keep a to Richard Englehart, president of

Among other machine-building accomplishments, Schaab has built mobile engine with tools and dies stall a complete engine in a radiocontrolled midget racer.



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