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# Krasnow Says Elektra Will Sign With MTV

By FRED GOODMAN

NEW YORK—Elektra/Asylum Records will sign an exclusivity pact with MTV, according to label chairman Bob Krasnow. A non-specific "agreement in principle" has already been hammered out with the 24-hour music cable channel, making Elektra/the first label in the Warner/Elektra/Atlantic triumvirate to pact with MTV. The label is also the first record company to publicly acknowledge an exclusivity agreement.

While saying he has "really agonized over this," Krasnow adds, "I feel that it is in Elektra's best interests to support MTV." He specifically credits the music cable, at least in part, for the success of Elektra artists Greg Kihn, Motley Crue and the Cars

"We've had success after success with MTV," Krasnow says, adding that sales for the Cars were "erratic" and that the label "couldn't count on them" before their current album. He credited numerous factors, especially MTV exposure for the accompanying

videos, with the success of the group's "Heartbeat City" album. "I feel it's the model for using video as the predominant vehicle for marketing records," he says of the album's promotion campaign.

The pact comes two months after Lou Maglia, Elektra's executive vice president, said the label would not make a deal with MTV (Billboard, June 16).

Maglia's stance—which questioned the legality of exclusivity pacts and maintained that Elektra wanted to keep all its options open in order to work artists and their videos on a project-by-project basis—has been supplanted by the company's new policy.

Crediting MTV with having "an almost fanatical sympathy to the music industry," Krasnow suggests that MTV's commitment to music video outshines other video outlets. "Music video is not a momentary infatuation

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# Publishers' Letter Warns On Imports

By IS HOROWITZ

NEW YORK—Independent distributors and one-stops across the country are being put on notice by the Harry Fox Agency that they may be importing and marketing recordings in violation of copyright law.

In putting new muscle behind their drive to insure that all imported recordings containing protected music are covered by mechanical licenses secured from domestic publishers, the notices amount to de facto warnings that continued violations will lead to legal action.

More than 30 letters mailed late last week by the Fox Agency advised distributors and one-stops that they should consult with their own attorneys to determine whether they have appropriate authorization for the imports they handle.

The Fox Agency, which represents the majority of U.S. music publishers (Continued on page 70)

# CD Hardware Firms To Sound Off In Major Fall Ad Drive

By STEVE DUPLER

NEW YORK—If the Compact Disc format fails to make significant strides toward mass-market penetration this holiday season, it won't be because of a lack of effort on the part of hardware manufacturers.

Top firms say they are planning to launch the largest advertising and promotional campaigns the industry has yet seen for the CD format this fall. The push will come on both an individual basis and in cooperation with such major CD software manufacturers as PolyGram, CBS and WFA

One company that sees large-scale promotional efforts ahead is Technics, which this fall will initiate a national print and broadcast campaign for its SLP-8 CD player, according to senior product manager Paul Foschino.

"Technics is budgeting a large percentage of its overall advertising budget to Compact Disc," he says. "We'll be running print ads in all the trades, as well as national consumer publications such as Playboy, Penthouse, Omni and Scientific

"We'll also be doing a great deal of television advertising," continues Foschino. "Starting in October, we'll be running 30-second spots on MTV, and in November those spots will begin to air on national network television."

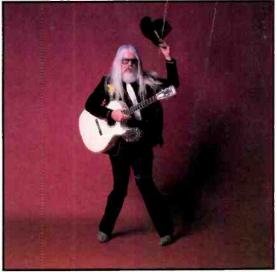
Foschino describes the ads as promoting the SLP-8 in a very high-tech fashion, making use of "Star Wars'-type effects." He says that there will also be a 25-second version of the spot produced to allow for a dealer tag to be fit in.

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"The purpose of the television spots is two-fold," asserts Foschino.
"More than half of the narration is devoted to a generic sell for the CD format, as we feel there is still a lot of educating that has to be accomplished before the public is convinced

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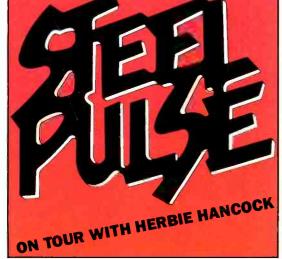
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- LOS ANGELES-AREA RETAILERS fear moving into the fall/holiday selling season with CBS Records' ban on providing money for ads in The Los Angeles Times still in effect. One dealer calls the CBS boycott "pointless." Page 3.
- THE JACKSONS BOOTLEG VIDEO CASE moved forward last week with the arrest of a suspect in New York. The investigation into the bootlegging and sale of a videocassette of the group's Kansas City concert is said to be continuing. Page 3.
- SAN DIEGO'S XHZ-FM, which had been trying for a year to unseat long-time AOR leader KGB-FM, had its programming and sales rights reclaimed by its Mexican-based owner, Victor Diaz, who had been leasing them to an American operator. Radio, page 15.
- SHARING AD COSTS WITH LABELS is paying off, according to the San Francisco-based Record Factory chain, which has been contributing half the cost of a successful print campaign and wants to continue and extend the effort. Page 3.
- MOST VIDEO ROCK CLUBS knowingly commit felonies in order to keep their screens filled, according to panelists at the recent Rockamerica Video Seminar in New York. The theft of video material was called widespread—as was bad sound on the clips available to clubs from conventional sources. Page 4.
- COMPUTER ORDERING is being readied by the Sound Shop record/tape chain, which plans to institute a system whereby stores order albums, singles and accessories from their Central South Music Sales base through computer terminals. Page 80.



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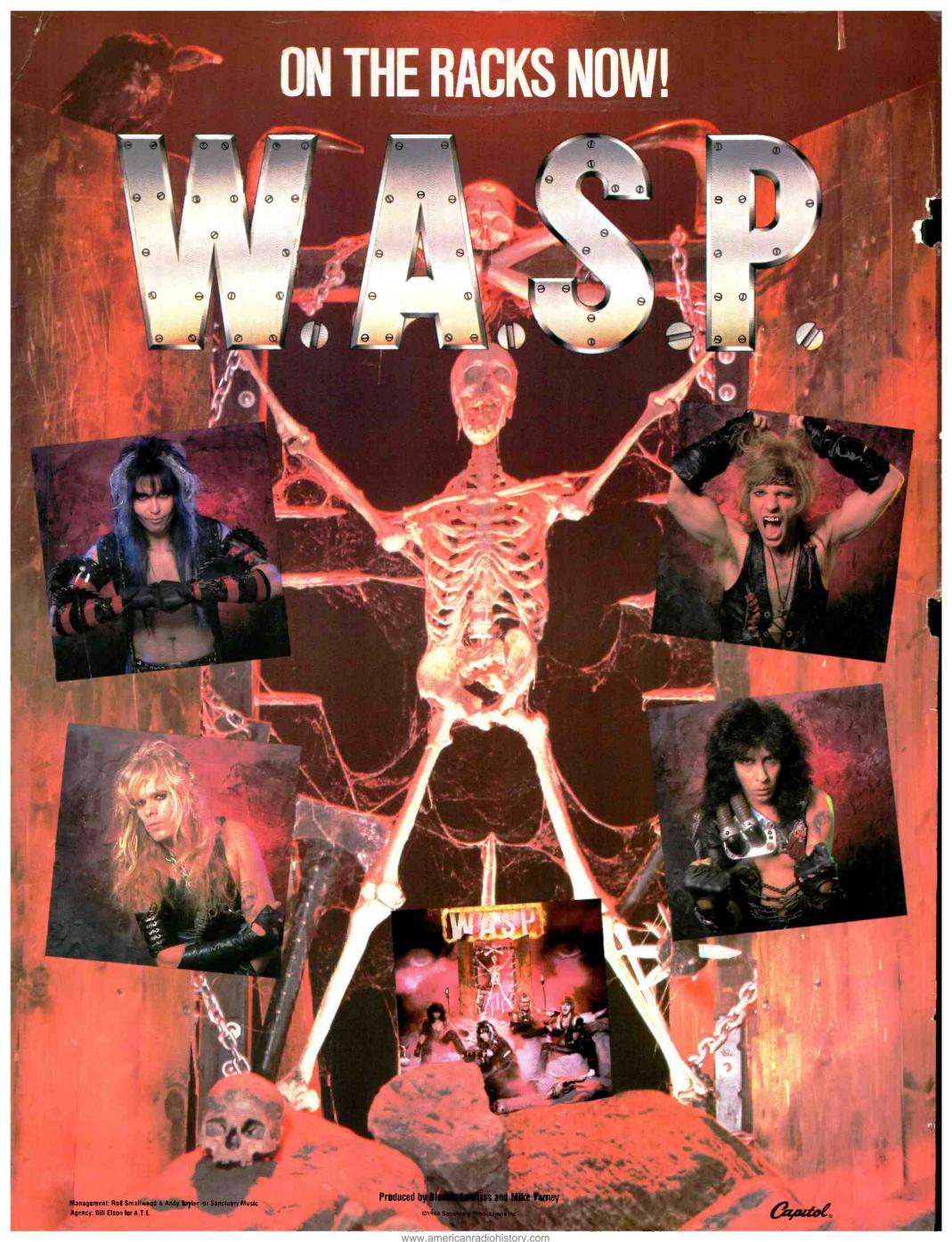
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By EARL PAIGE

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day selling season with CBS Records'

ban on providing dollars for ads in

The Los Angeles Times still in effect.

ston of the 34 Licorice Pizza stores

laments of the ban, which is nearly three months old (Billboard, June 2).

"It's pointless," says Alan Schwartz of the 29 Music Plus locations.

CBS itself has never officially ac-

knowledged the ban, which material-

ized after The Los Angeles Times ran

a series of articles deemed critical of

the role played by the Recording In-

dustry Assn. of America (RIAA) in

Mike Pompei of Tower specifically

points to classical marketing pro-

grams, where he says "there is noth-

ing to replace The Times. We want to

combatting counterfeiting.

'It's gone too long," Randy Ger-



KINDRED SPIRITS—Members of the City of Hope Music Industry Chapter congratulate Motown president Jay Lasker on his status as this year's honoree at the organization's annual dinner. Shown from left are MCA Music Group president Irv Azoff, CBS Music Publishing president Mike Stewart, Motown's business affairs vice president Lee Young Jr., Lasker and Warner Bros. chairman Mo Ostin.

#### **CHAIN SHARES WITH LABELS**

# Record Factory: 50/50 Ad Split

By JOHN SIPPEL

LOS ANGELES-The 31-unit Record Factory chain in Northern California has proved a point for itself: Sometimes it pays to share in footing the ad bill.

Following a successful six-month print campaign. Bob Tolifson, the chain's marketing vice president, is seeking to expand the 50/50 split campaign to include hourly 10-second spots on San Francisco AM station KRFC for five to seven days after the run of the Sunday full-page

For almost two decades, local industry consumer advertising in the main has been entirely bankrolled by manufacturer advertising allowance.

"We wanted more control than letting a manufacturer pay for the entire ad allowed," Tolifson asserts. "We felt we should be advertising what we thought the public wanted, not what the label wants the public to want.

'Under advertising allowance practice, we had to advertise where and what the vendor wished. And more and more the allowance was di-

# **Jacksons Bootleg Video:** Suspect Arrested In N.Y.

NEW YORK-An arrest has been made in the case of the bootleg Jacksons concert video (Billboard, Aug. 18). But the source of the illegal program has not yet been discovered.

The FBI arrested 19-year-old Dewitt Gilmore of Mt. Vernon, N.Y., Tuesday (14) in a sting opera-tion at a King Karol/Video 84 record/tape outlet in Manhattan. King Karol/Video '84 fully cooperated with the investigation, according to officials of the FBI and the Recording Ind (RIAA). Industry Assn. of America

Gilmore was arrested after he allegedly received money from FBI agents in payment for copies of the Jacksons "Victory" tour bootleg. A search warrant was executed for his residence at 245 Lorrane Ave., Mt. Vernon, where three VCRs and around 60 videocassettes were found.

According to Dave Gizzy, FBI special agent in charge of copyright infringement, an undercover operation was set up in order to make the bust. The investigation is "still ongoing," says Gizzy, who says he believes a "large quantity" of Jacksons bootlegs were manufactured and distributed in the New York metropoli-

As for where the leads came from that led to the bust, Gizzy says, "We got the information from the RIAA. Concert video bootlegs are relatively rare in his experience, the special agent says, commenting that he "hasn't seen too many" of them.

Gilmore has been released on bond. He could get a two-year sentence and a \$20,000 fine.

According to the FBI and the RIAA, the Jacksons' tape wasn't the only bootleg found on the Gilmore premises, with numerous other concert tapes and a number of feature films also present.

A source close to the Jacksons tour says representatives of the Jacksons have been having conversations with the FBI, but "they still haven't pinpointed the source" that made the high-quality footage available for the bootleg video.

minishing," Tolifson points out.

"Record Factory wanted concentration. Instead of the multi-image advertising the labels pushed, we wanted to concentrate on one album. one image. Good advertising requires that single image. We wanted to go a whole page on one album, one which we felt had the greatest appeal to the widest demographic.

"I want to bring that customer into our stores. Once he's in, it's our job to sell him more," Tolifson concludes.

Tolifson recalls that he tried to get his first full page on Michael Jack-son's "Thriller." Several weeks later, CBS came through with a full page on "Footloose." He figures he's run about 16 Sunday full pages since then, with CBS branch manager Jerry Petti most often approving the 50/ 50 split.

"Record Factory's full pages feature the artist's name as the biggest element. We try for a clean ad. We feature our \$5.97 price. The sale usually runs five days," Tolifson states.

"What we want the next half year is a campaign behind a different worthwhile new album every week. We want to bolster the campaign with the hourly spot campaign. We

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use album covers, multiple classical titles and variable pricing. Only The Times allows that breadth. The large classical inventories in our stores, especially the all-classical Sunset Strip and Westwood stores, make The Times imperative."

**CBS Times Ban Casts Yule Pall** 

L.A. Dealers Fear Heightened Impact Of Ad Boycott

Schwartz seconds Pompei's thinking, adding that he and Music Plus

## Six Of Top 10 **Album Slots Go** To Black Artists

By PAUL GREIN

LOS ANGELES-In what's believed to be an all-time record, black artists account for six of this week's top 10 pop albums.

Prince's "Purple Rain" holds at

No. 1 for the fourth straight week, while Tina Turner's "Private Dancer" leaps to number four, the Jacksons' "Victory" drops to seven, Lionel Richie's "Can't Slow Down" dips to eight and the Pointer Sisters' "Break Out" jumps to 10. In addition, the "Ghostbusters" soundtrack holds at number six, largely on the strength of Ray Parker's smash title

Black acts also account for six of this week's top 10 pop singles. Parker, Turner, Richie and Prince hold down the top four spots, while the Jacksons drop to seven and Peabo Bryson holds at 10.

That's not a record in terms of the singles chart: Black acts held down each of the top eight positions the week of May 13, 1972. The significance is that this black dominance now extends to the album chart. This hasn't always been the case: On that week in May, 1972, for example, only one black artist, Roberta Flack, was listed in the top 10 on the pop album

Also significant is the fact that the black artists who are responsible for this week's achievement are equally at home at pop and black radio. Prince and Turner, in fact, lean more to rock than traditional r&b. And Richie, the Pointers and Parker each have long strings of crossover hits that make a mockery of the industry's penchant for categorizing

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# U.S.-Japan Music Video Venture

#### JVC, Embassy Team To Produce, Manufacture, Sell

By FAYE ZUCKERMAN

LOS ANGELES-To bring more originally produced music product to the home video field, the Victor Co. of Japan (JVC), independent U.S. home video firm Embassy Home Entertainment, Japan's Kyodo Tokyo Inc. and Trans 25 have joined forces to create a multi-million-dollar concern dedicated to producing, manufacturing and exploiting music programming.

The new entity will exploit its programming for sale to all media making home video sales a priority, according to Andre Blay, chairman of Embassy Home Entertainment, which owns a 50% stake in the joint

JVC and Kyodo Tokyo, which jointly make up most of the remaining 50% share, will take charge of obtaining and disbursing product in Japan. Trans 25, a New York video

and television production company, will co-produce the short- and longform music videos.

The agreement binds the companies together for three years. At the end of that period, any partner can pull out if not satisfied with how the music video concern is progressing.

Six titles are expected to ship during the first year. Embassy will not reveal when production will start.

The decision to form the partnership stemmed from the fact that record labels have not taken the lead in producing original music programming, notes Blay. "There are a few isolated incidents when record labels initiated programs," he says. "Up until now we (the home video industry) have been dependent on cable tv product, which comes with a second window (a long time lag after airing

before coming out on videocassette).
"The record companies are still using video as a vehicle to sell records, not video programs. The clips are creative, and we want to take that creativity and make it a sale item," he

Recoupment of funds is expected to come from international distribution for prerecorded videocassettes to Japan and the U.K., where music video sales garner a better profit than in the U.S. Television and theatrical releases are also planned for the original productions.

Announcement of the new video concern was made in Japan Friday (17) by Seiichiro Niwa, director and general manager of JVC's audio/video software group; Tatsuji Naga-shima, chairman of Kyodo Tokyo; and Kiyoshi Tsukamoto, president of Trans 25. All companies involved have agreed to mutually approve the creative elements, budgets, production schedules and marketing plans.

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buying chief Mitch Perlis pondered an all-classical chainwide sale, but shelved the idea when CBS continued its anti-Times attitude.

"I understand CBS believes The Times' RIAA stories endorse criminal acts, and I agree with that stand, that all piracy should be penalized in proportion to its severity," says Licorice Pizza's Gerston. "But the ban should have been symbolic and for a short time. CBS could have gotten press, and perhaps other labels would have supported CBS. Now they're (CBS) in a hole and don't want to step back because they'll look bad.

"Actually, some other label advertising reps are becoming bitter because they feel CBS is enjoying exposure at the expense of other labels," he adds. CBS, contends Gerston, winds up with product in Times ads because chains can't ignore the label's share of market "and they still get featured in front of the store."

In one case, Gerston says, he went to torturous extremes. He calculates that five vendors' participation in a Times \$6,000 ad runs \$1,200 each. "I went after \$1,200 in radio allowance from CBS, and they gave it to me," he says of his extreme effort to "be sure CBS product is given exposure in campaigns" and label allowances remain even.

"Right now, the CBS ban is influencing my running a 'Footloose' ad," Pompei says. "I want to combine a prerecorded videocassette with the Columbia album, and I can't do it because I can't get the CBS ad allowance for the album."

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### Video Clubs Called Lawbreakers **Rockamerica Panelists Cite Widespread Infringement**

By TONY SEIDEMAN

NEW YORK-The majority of video rock clubs are knowingly committing felonies to keep their screens filled, but even when they get video legally the sound is often so bad the programming is hardly worth using. So said participants at the Aug. 10 Rockamerica Video Seminar, which drew almost 1,000 record and video industry participants to the Waldorf

"I don't think there is a single video bar in the country that doesn't steal video from somewhere," said VJ Bruce Forest of the club Better Days. "I'm not condoning the fact, but it's very widespread.'

Clubs are hijacking video for a number of reasons, the Rockamerica panelists said. The primary one is the critical need for ambient or "wallpaper" video.

Conventional video clips are no longer good enough for keeping video screens active and dance floors filled, said most of the seminar participants. This is especially true in urban areas, they agreed.

Video clips are available at too many outlets to have kept their cachet, it was argued. A club looking to preserve its identity as a unique and exciting place to go has no choice but to put together its own footage, often by allowing VJs to cut between different footage on a VCR.

This frequently involves taking a standard-issue music video and intercutting it with unrelated footage. Record labels have no recourse when they see their clips taken apart and altered in such a way, said Warner Bros. national promotion manager of

music Steve Tipp.
"I find it kind of bothersome," said Tipp. "But if they (a club) have the

video legally, they have the right to

What is happening, said Shelley Howard, VJ for Jam Productions/ Shelley Vision, is the creation of a "new creative expression," a new art form which combines audio and video in an instantaneous, real-time mix.

Forest estimated that he uses 75% ambient footage at his club. "It's what the crowd wants," he explained. "To send people onto the floor, I use old movie footage."

footage."
Other VJs said that the best footage for their clubs ran the gamut from science fiction to camp to old musicals. All of them complained that they didn't want to get footage illegally, but had no choice since so little good ambient product has had its rights cleared for club use.

Video club pools are solving that problem, however, said panelists and audience members. According to Bill Melo, account manager for Rockamerica, his firm has just assembled a collection of 125 titles ranging from "Close Encounters Of The Third Kind" to "Reefer Madness" to "Woodstock."

Clubs will not be able to play entire films from this collection, he said, but they can use pieces of it to enable their VJs to have something to work

Rockamerica will be charging clubs \$150 an hour for the ambient video. The fee will buy the clubs unlimited use of the programming, said Mello. In each hour-long Rockamerica ambient cassette, the programming is divided thematically, allowing for easy exploitation.

But Rockamerica isn't the only service providing ambient video. Straw Weissman of Video Placement International, who was also present at the Rockamerica seminar, said

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COMING ATTRACTIONS—Phoebe LeGere makes herself comfortable in Epic/Portrait/CBS Associated Labels' New York headquarters after signing her talents to Nemperor/CBS. Seated from left are LeGere's manager, Lynda Emon of Up Front management: Nemperor president Nat Weiss, Le Gere, and E/P/A's marketing vice president Ron McCarrell and promotion vice president Walter Winnick.

#### **CRAZY JACK'S TO FREEMAN**

# Gilmore Sells Savannah Units

LOS ANGELES—Jack Gilmore, 26-year industry veteran, has sold his two Crazy Jack's stores in Savannah to Ron Freeman of One-Stop Record House, Atlanta.

Gilmore, who originally worked as a Savannah-based resident salesman for the late Jake Friedman's Southland Distributing in Atlanta, started in 1958, left wholesaling in 1970 to enter retail. He operated his original 2,100 square foot store for 14 years at the same location, 830 E. Derenne St., Savannah.

The store became prominent, boasting one of the heaviest inventories for a mom and pop store in the U.S. Gilmore estimates his inventory at approximately \$250,000, including reocrds, tapes, accessories and hardware for both home and auto.

Gilmore opened a 1,000 square foot record concession in a McCrory's store there five years ago. Jerry Highsmith, Gilmore's manager since he opened his first store, remains in the Savannah operation.

Freeman, who has been expanding his retail holdings, now operates 12 Newsome's Music Centers and four Peppermints stores. The Gilmore stores will be called Crazy Jack's Peppermints stores. JOHN SIPPEL

# **Executive Turntable**

#### **Record Companies**

In New York, RCA promotes Peter Jones to division vice president of sales. He was director of branch marketing and national accounts. And Randy Miller is appointed manager of product management in RCA's Los Angeles office. He was with the advertising agency Deutsch, Shea & Evans there...PolyGram ups Rick Bleiweiss to merchandising vice president in New York. He was vice









# Cable Show Boycotting Two Labels' Vidclips

By ANDREW ROBLIN

NASHVILLE—ON-TV's clip show "On The Air With Roger & Roger"—seen in Los Angeles, Chicago, Miami and other markets-has launched a viewer-supported boycott of videos coming from artists signed to Capitol and Warner Bros. The campaign, which began in June, appears to be aimed at pressuring the two labels into modifying a clause in their release agreements.

Oak Media, ON-TV's parent company, will not sign the release agree-

## **Labels Getting** Grammy Forms

NEW YORK-The initial phase of the 27th annual Grammy Awards process is underway with the mailing of official entry forms to labels.

The forms, due for return Thursday (23), allow companies to enter recordings to the attention of NARAS voting members for potential nomination. They cover releases during the first nine months of the awards eligibility year, which began Oct. 1, 1983.

Entry forms for releases during the last three months of the awards year, ending Sept. 30, 1984, will be sent to companies by mid-September. NARAS members will receive their full year entry forms that month.

Companies not in receipt of the forms should immediately contact NARAS awards supervisor Mar-Leverence at (818) 843ments because they contain an inholding demnity clause programmer responsible for obtaining synchronization licenses from music publishers and for making future payments to AFTRA and the "We got a lot of letters from view-

ers asking why we didn't play videos by Van Halen, Prince and Duran Duran," says Roger Behr, co-host of On The Air With Roger & Roger. "We wanted our viewers to understand that it was beyond our control. We told them to write letters to us addressed 'Get Hip Capitol' or 'Get Hip Warner Bros.' if they wanted to see those videos." Behr adds that between 200 and 300 letters have come in since the start of the campaign.

"The other labels will negotiate (on the indemnity clause)," notes Andrew Trentacosta, Oak Media's programming manager. "But Warner Bros. and Capitol have a standard contract that we won't sign and they won't waive."

Capitol and Warner Bros. have not commented on the indemnity clause or on ON-TV's boycott.

Spokesmen for other labels say they are willing to be flexible on the clause. According to Liz Heller, manager of video services for MCA, the label will negotiate provisions dealing with synchronization licenses, but not with future union payments.

"Sometimes it's a matter of language," notes Harvey Leeds, director of video promotion for Epic, Portrait & Associated Labels. "We'll let the programmers draw up the clause in language they're comfortable with and then take it to our legal people." In spite of these efforts to achieve a compromise, Leeds adds that there have been a few cases where programmers would not sign.

One of these programmers is Storer Cable in Woodbury, N.J. "Our parent company, Storer Communications, won't allow us to sign indemnity contracts," says Ron Gotti, the station's program director. "I've sent CBS several letters explaining that if they'll delete or modify the clause, we'll air their videos."

Likewise, Carol Klinger of Viacom 6 in San Francisco says, "We won't sign an indemnity clause. On occasion we've gotten contracts like that, but there are so many other videos available that we just use them instead."

Sources at Showtime/The Movie Channel declined to be quoted, but acknowledged that the cable network would not sign release agreements calling for future union payments.

But at least one video programmer has found a way to avoid the perils of undefined-and potentially retroactive-future payments. The producer of NBC's "Friday Night Videos," David Benjamin, notes: "We have a different deal. We pay the label each time we run a clip. The record company indemnifies us in return for the payment."

Benjamin maintains that programmers have no legitimate grounds for complaining about the indemnity clause. "Record companies give videos to the programmers for nothing," he says. "And if somebody demands compensation, programmers have to pay; that's fair as far as I'm concerned. I'm surprised that more people who have rights, like publishers, don't step forward to demand

president of pop marketing. And Barry Feldman is upped to product manager of pop catalog. He was the label's manager of catalog exploitation.

In Nashville, Capitol/EMI America names Bonnie Rasmussen director of publicity and a&r. She was head of her own public relations firm. Also there, Terry Choate, who was with Tree International, is added as director of talent acquisition . . . Roger Watson is appointed UK a&r consultant to Chrysalis Inc. He has been an independent consultant for several years and earlier worked for Chrysalis ... MCA Nashville names Don Lanier director of a&r. He was the label's director of marketing . . . Alan Phillips is upped to director of marketing for CBS Records U.K. He was a CBS marketing manager.

Chris Nelson joins New York's West End label as national promotion director. He was a North American rep for Arista U.K . . . In Madrid, Saul Tagarro is named managing director of WEA Records Spain. He was the label's general manager... Jesse Maidbrey is appointed controller of Profile, New York. He had held a similar post at Important Record Distributors... Stacy Banet joins IRS as club promotion director in New York. She had been an intern for the company... Joe Kolsky is named director of sales and marketing for Red Rooster Records in Miami. He was marketing and sales vice president for New York's Prelude . . . Teresa Ensenat joins Elektra/Asylum as a&r representative in Los Angeles. She was with Side One Marketing & Management.

Dick Berube joins Interstate Records in Hagerstown, Mass. as an account executive. He was with U.S. Records . . . Bob Stubenrauch joins Navarre Distributing in Chicago as sales manager. He was with Sound Video Unlimited.

#### Video/Pro Equipment

In New York Paul Wagner III is appointed director of public relations for CBS/Fox Video. He was manager of corporate affairs for American Broadcasting Companies Inc . . . Anita Gandolfo is appointed controller of World Vision Enterprises in New York. She was the firm's director of accounting... George Steele III is appointed director of marketing for Pacific Arts Video Records in Los Angeles. He is a 22-year industry veteran . . . Two appointments have been made at New York's Campus Network. Marilyn Freeman is named director of network development and affiliate sales. She was an affiliate sales manager for the outfit. And Glen McClaren is named technical operations manager. He was with Satellite Systems Corp. in Virginia Beach, Va. . . . Joe Dibuono joins Unitel Video as vice president, corporate marketing. He was marketing vice president at the Reeves Teletape Facilities Group.

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MEANWHILE THE "EDDIE AND THE CRUISERS" SOUNDTRACK STEPS UP THE PACE WITH THE BRAND-NEW SINGLE FROM JOHN CAFFERTY AND THE BEAVER BROWN BAND— "ON THE DARK SIDE"—NOW HOT ON MTV. GO WITH THEM, ON SCOTTI BROTHERS RECORDS



#### RCA/COLUMBIA TO DISTRIBUTE

# September Bow For A&M Video

LOS ANGELES-RCA/Columbia Pictures Home Video will distribute all product released on the A&M Video label in the U.S. and Canada. A&M Records is also negotiating with RCA/Columbia International to extend the deal worldwide, except for A&M's U.K. office, which handles its own video distribution.

Styx's "Caught In The Act" is set to be the first release under the deal in September. It will be followed by a tape of the Police's "Synchronicity" tour in October, a .38 Special concert video in November and an unscheduled Joan Armatrading tape which combines concert footage with some documentary elements.

The Styx and .38 Special videos are set to carry a suggested list price of \$29.95, according to Laura Reitman, director of A&M Video. The Police tape will list for \$39.95. Reitman says A&M also plans to experiment with shorter-length videos listing for \$19.95.

The Styx tape was first sold through a flyer inserted in the group's "Caught In The Act" live album, released last April. Reitman calls that direct marketing campaign a success, even though the album wasn't.

"We did about 5% of the albums that sold," she says. "If the album had gone platinum and we were still able to sustain that 5%, we would have sold 50,000 units. As it was we sold about 4,000 units, which makes it the top-selling direct-mail videocassette." in direct marketing, though she adds that the primary thrust will be through retail outlets.

"We have this vehicle to reach people," she notes, "and it would be almost negligent not to take advantage of it. But we have to be very careful and sensitive about that, be cause retailers are trying to build their business, and we don't want to cut into their market."

Reitman says RCA/Columbia Pictures Home Video will handle distribution and solicitation of A&M Video product, but A&M Video will oversee marketing and advertising, and will determine its own pricing, schedule and product acquisition.

'It's exactly analagous to how A&M Records runs," she offers. "Our records go through RCA, and now our videos will too. And since RCA Records has entered the video distribution field, they'll be one of the RCA-Columbia distributors.

Reitman is assisted in A&M Video by Z. Zimmerman, and draws on the support staffs of A&M Records. Reitman worked at RCA Videodisc before moving over to A&M in June,

A&M Video plans to release at least 15 programs over the next two years, according to Reitman, ranging from live concerts and conceptual pieces to compilations of promo clips. She says those compilations may include both A&M and outside

Reitman stresses that A&M Records and A&M Video will aim to notes that the Armatrading "docu-concert," being produced by A&M U.K., will be released simultaneously with her next album. That's not the case, however, with the Styx, Police or .38 Special videos.

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The Styx tape opens with a 10minute clip directed by Brian Gibson. The clip is followed by concert footage from the group's "Kilroy

The Police tape, set to be a joint re-lease through A&M/IRS, was shot at a concert in New Orleans. The "conceptual concert" piece was directed by Godley & Creme.

.38 Special's video was filmed at Nassau Coliseum. It was directed by Jim Yukich, who has also supervised videos by David Bowie and Genesis.



COVER GIRL—Rita Coolidge prepares to talk about her new A&M single "Something Said Love" on the USA Cable Network's "Cover Story" program. Seated with her is the show's creator and director, Rift Fournier.

# Midwest Merchandiser Basks In 'Purple Rain'

By MOIRA McCORMICK

MINNEAPOLIS-A local merchandising company here has turned purple into gold, as Prince's "Purple Rain" film and soundtrack album continue to top their respective charts.

Nice Man Merchandising, the fiveyear-old firm which has exclusively handled Prince's merchandising since 1979, has "tripled volume" since the mid-July debut of Prince's hit film, according to Nice Man vice president Tony Ratchford.

"Orders haven't been gigantic," says Ratchford, "but there's been a tremendous amount of interest" in "Purple Rain"-related T-shirts, buttons and posters. Prince merchandise is expected to account for between 30% and 40% of Nice Man's gross sales this year, boosted by Prince's upcoming tour, he adds.

According to the Nice Man vice president, production has been able to keep up with the increased demand, but the company's computer hasn't fared as well with invoicing. "We're looking at a new computer," confirms Ratchford. In addition, several new phone lines have been in-

stalled in the past two weeks to accommodate "Purple Rain" inquiries.

Prince's success notwithstanding. Ratchford says he expects Nice Man's volume to swell even more in the upcoming months, when the Thompson Twins, A Flock Of Seagulls and R.E.M. are on tour. "The Thompson Twins are doing 80 dates, which should account for a big part of our gross."

Nice Man handles merchandising for all of those artists, as well as Toto, Men At Work, the Fixx, John Cougar Mellencamp and Echo & the Bunnymen. "Men At Work had been our biggest account until this point," says Nice Man president Larry Johnson. "But Prince and the Thompson Twins will surpass them."

Johnson, a Spencer, Iowa native who'd previously worked in Midwest concert promotion, started his merchandising business with a fledgling Toto in the late '70s. Prince was Nice Man's second major acquisition.

"We silk-screened everything by hand the first year, and we grossed about \$100,000," he recalls. Since that time, he adds, that figure has increased over 60-fold.

Nice Man's production has of

course increased in sophistication as well. T-shirt manufacturing is done both by Minneapolis-based T-Shirt Inc. and the Classic Co. of Ft. Wayne, Ind. Johnson says the Classic Co. handles most mass-merchandise and retail orders, while T-Shirt Inc. processes tour merchandise.

T-Shirt Inc. and Nice Man "grew up together," according to Johnson, and occupy adjacent warehouses in the same industrial park. T-Shirt Inc.'s presses can print 500 shirts an hour in up to eight colors, says Johnson. Buttons and posters, he adds, are manufactured by a separate firm, Rico Graphics.

Nice Man employs about a dozen people in its warehouse and management combined, as well as "120 field sales reps around the country," says Johnson.

Fifteen different sales companies in all are involved in Nice Man's merchandising, according to Johnson, including West Coast-based Paradise Creations, which he says "reps us in 90% of the record chains around the country"; and two telemarketing companies, New Yorkbased Artemis and Roellco of Minneapolis, which handle mail orders.

# **Disney Launches Holiday Music Video Promotion**

By TONY SEIDEMAN

YORK-Walt Disney Home Video is moving to music in an attempt to duplicate its smash hit 'Limited Gold Edition" summer promotion (Billboard, Aug. 18) this winter, putting its DTV pop musicbacked cartoons on sale for a Christmas promotion.

The seven title-effort, bannered "Wrapped And Ready To Give" just as Disney's 1983 promotional package was, will feature three DTV music titles: the featurette "Mickey's Christmas Carol," "A Walt Disney Christmas Gift" and "Winnie The Pooh And Friends."

All of the programs save "Mickey's Christmas Carol" will be priced at \$29.95. "Carol" will retail for \$39.95. As in all Disney promotions, the programs will be available at their low prices for a restricted period of time, and some will go off sale once the promotion is over.

Walt Disney Home Video director of marketing Richard Fried claims that the advertising and merchandising efforts that will surround the title will be among the heaviest in the history of the home video industry.

Last year's "Wrapped" marked the first time any home video company had used network television to advertise its product. This year Disney will be sharply increasing the scope of its broadcast spots, with a series of 30-second commercials airing on such shows as "Dynasty," "Magnum P.I.," "Cagney And Lacey," "Hill Street Blues," "Remington Steele," "The Today Show," "Good Morning America" and "Saturday Night Live," starting Dec. 3. Cable networks, including MTV, will also be

An extended pre-book period of

six weeks is being used by Disney to help insure the greatest number of pre-orders possible from retailers and distributors. As another assist to preorders, Disney has created a special pre-book kit containing a 60-minute promotional videocassette, large sixcolor posters, a 20-page line-art booklet, bumper stickers, buttons and other materials.

Although Fried won't give a cost figure on the pre-book kit, its individual elements will probably add up to a cost of at least \$30. Disney will be sending 20,000 of the kits to retailers.

The DTV cassettes will mix wellknown Disney animated footage with the songs of such acts as the Su-premes, the Doobie Brothers, Lena Horne and Elvis Presley. Each will carry between 13 and 16 songs and run for about 46 minutes.

Each cassette will cover one musical category. Releases will be titled "Pop & Rock," "Golden Oldies" and "Rock, Rhythm & Blues."

Disney's 1983 "Wrapped And Ready To Give" promotion sold about 180,000 units. As with the 1983 effort, this year's promotion is designed to sell to consumers rather than to fuel retailers' rental stocks.

Co-op funds will be available to retailers on a 100% compensation basis through programs adminstrated by their distributors.

Including the titles in its new promotion, Disney Home Video now has 65 programs in its catalog. Most of the company's library of animation has never been on the home video marketplace, says Fried.

Such potentially profitable inventory will eventually be exploited, Fried says, though he declines to detail where, when, or how.

#### RARE SPRINGSTEEN APPEARANCE?

# This Week's Music' Set To Roll

By STEVEN DUPLER

NEW YORK—"This Week's Music," the first-run syndicated daily video/dance music show co-produced by The Entertainment Television Co. and Viacom Enterprises set to make its national premiere Sept. 24, will boast "a couple of big sur-prises within its first couple of weeks," according to Martin Bandier, a partner with Charlie Koppelman in The Entertainment Co.

Not the least of those surprises, says Bandier, will likely be a guest appearance by Bruce Springsteen. If so, it would mark the first time Springsteen has performed live on a television show.

According to Bandier, "This Week's Music" is currently cleared in 80% of the country, in all of the top 30 markets including Los Angeles and New York. The production was initially scheduled to emanate from Philadelphia, but has been recently changed to Modern Telecommunicaproduction facility in New York.

"We felt we had a better opportunity to book the type of talent we want on the show in New York," says Bandier. "It's the media center of the world. Every major act passes more money to do it here, it's almost automatic that the acts we want will come on the show."

The format will take the shape of both a half-hour daily program and a weekly one-hour show, placed in both after-school and late-evening time slots, with singer/songwriter Livingston Taylor acting as host. Taped before a live studio audience, the shows will feature performance appearances by such top-selling artists as Cyndi Lauper, Howard Jones, Scandal and others, as well as video clips played in a daily rotation similar to top 40 radio programming. The videos will be projected onto a 100foot screen, which will also serve as a backdrop for the studio audience and professional dancers who appear on the show.

'This will be the only music show on television with a real interaction between live performers and a live audience," claims Bandier. He adds that approximately 100 high school students have been selected from New York-area auditions to make up the studio audience.

Bandier predicts his show will have no problem getting around the MTV/record label clip exclusivity contracts, which would seem to limit

"This Week's Music's" ability to procure first-run clips.

"Exclusivity won't affect us," he says. "For one thing, we're dealing primarily with live talent. And as far as our videos go, we see the show as a hits format—not a show for breaking hits.

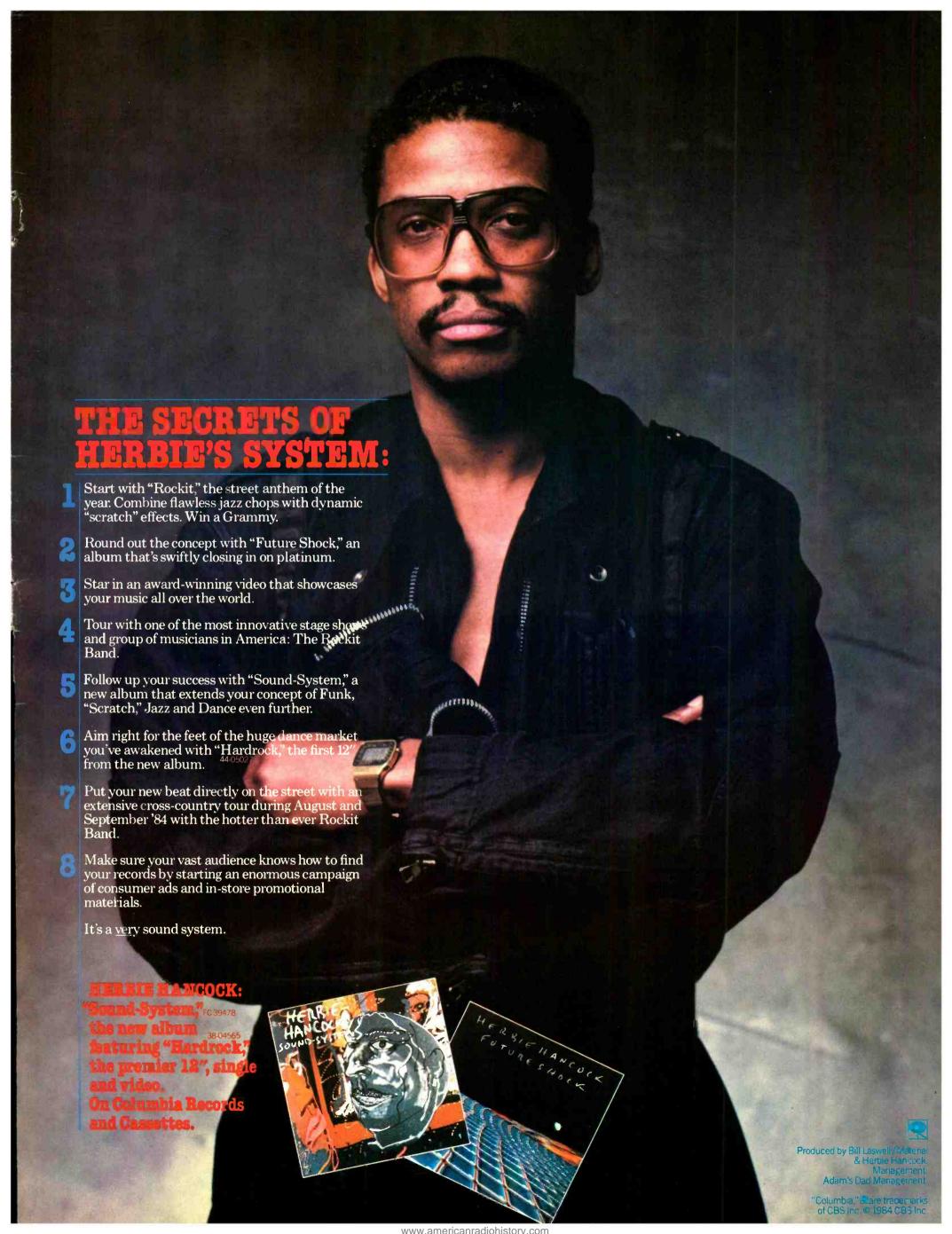
If a record breaks immediately as a strong hit, and the video clip for the song falls under the exclusivity windows provided for MTV, Bandier says his solution to air the song would simply be to "make our own videos.

"Let's say MTV has an exclusivity on a particular song, and we'd like to play it," he says. "We'll just create an ambient video on our large screen and do it that way."

Bandier also notes that the possibiltiy of FM radio simulcasts for "The Week's Music" is a real one, and although nothing firm is planned yet, he points out that the show is being shot in stereo, so "you could say

we're gearing up for that.

"This is a show geared toward selling records," he adds. "Our rotation, type of audience, time slots—all that combined with the videos and live artist appearances will sell a lot of records.'





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# SHIPSHAPE U.K. FORMAT Hits, Oldies On Laser 558

LONDON—Laser 558, the American-owned, ship-based radio station broadcasting off the East Coast of England (Billboard, Aug.4), promotes itself on the air as "all-hit radio" and "all-Europe radio."

So what exactly does that mean? On the basis of programming aired during the first week of August, the station's playlist seems long and liberally laced with oldies alongside contemporary hits. Among current re-leases played were A Flock Of Seagulls' "The More You Live," Frankie Goes to Hollywood's "Relax," Cyndi Lauper's "Time After Time," the Thompson Twins' "Sister Of Mercy" and Billy Idol's "Eyes Without A

Also, Lionel Richie's "Stuck On You," Ollie & Jerry's "Breakin'," Tina Turner's "What's Love Got To Do With It," Prince's "When Doves Cry" and the Jacksons' "State Of Shock."

Oldies aired included plenty of Motown (the Temptations, Four Tops, Stevie Wonder, Marvin Gaye) and other '60s stars (Dylan, Sly, Wilson Pickett). More recent names: Chic, K.C. & the Sunshine Band, Elton John, John Lennon, Dr. Hook.

Given this, a more accurate description of the format might be "all Anglo-American hit radio." But in terms of contemporary hits, that's as much a reflection of the dominance of American and British-orginated repertoire on European charts at present.

No European-language releases were heard during the survey week.

## 300,000 Expected At **Dutch Audio/Video Fair**

AMSTERDAM-The 23rd Firato audio/video fair, the largest such event in Europe after the Berlin Funkausstellung, will begin here Aug. 31 and run through Sept. 9 in the RAI exhibition complex. It is expected to attract some 300,000 visitors

The center of interest at the 1984 event will clearly be 8mm video, with Kodak and a number of other companies planning detailed demonstrations. However, Philips will only show a prototype of its VKR-8500; the Dutch multinational contem-

#### **Rock Cutback Due** On Finnish Radio

HELSINKI-In a surprise policy switch, the Finnish state network Yleisradio is slashing its rock coverage by 25% as of mid-September. It will be replaced by MOR material, deemed more "ear-catching," and

The decision has been dubbed "shocking" and "shortsighted"by many record company executives. The station started experimenting with rock in 1979, subsequently in creasing the music's airtime and building a big new teenage audience.

plates no 8mm launch before 1985.

Philips has, nevertheless, hired one of the six available exhibition halls, giving it 4,000 of the total 24,000 square meters of exhibition space at the biennial event.

More than 160 companies representing 400 trademarks and 20 countries will display their products, including 23 computer firms, reflection of the enormous growth of that market. In 1982, only two such companies participated.

Also included, for the second time, is a 33-stand exhibition of sheet music and instruments under the banner "Music Active." But this section is smaller than it was in 1982, owing to the recent bankruptcy of Dutch electronic organ firm Eminent and the subsequent withdrawal of other similar companies due to lack of competition.

Other ancillary events include the well-established "Broadcast Wonderland," involving almost all Dutch broadcasting organizations and featuring live transmission from the exhibition center of a large number of television and radio programs featuring domestic and international

# German Market Still Slumping; Sales Drop Again In First Half

By WOLFGANG SPAHR

HAMBURG-The West German record market remains locked in a deepening recession. The latest figures show a continuing decline in all major sales categories during the first six months of 1984.

Singles volume is more than 13% down, while full-price pop albums dropped 11% and budget albums 25%. Pop cassettes show a fall of almost 10%, while television-merchandized LPs, worst hit of all, registered a sales drop of over 30% over the previous half year, prompting Polystar to announce it is cutting back drastically on releases.

The only positive results for the first half were a 120% increase in maxi-single sales and expansion of the Compact Disc sector. CD software sales topped the one million unit mark for the six-month period.

Despite the gloomy overall trend, several individual companies report increased orders, notably Deutsche Grammophon, Teldec, Metronome and WEA. DG managing director Dieter Ohms says his company's turnover is 9% up, although the in-dustry as a whole has registered a 10% fall, with album and cassette volumes steady and CD sales "growing fast.'

With Nino De Angelo, DG's na tional pop department came up with the most successful newcomer of the year. He has so far sold a reported 700,000 units of the single "Jenseits Von Eden," and won two gold disks for album and cassette sales. Also established by DG this year were Bavarian rock band Haindling, "Cats" star Angelika Milster and solo performer Tommy Steiner.

DG's international division has scored heavily through the slump with Barclay James Harvest and Robin Gibb. The division has also signed a license deal with U.K. label Magnet, earned a gold album for Saga with "Head Or Tales," sold more than 400,000 units of Raff's 'Self-Control" and seen the "Breakin'" soundtrack album through to hit status.

Classical sales are as depressed in Germany as those for other product, as much as 20% down on previous years. DG, though, remains market leader with the Archiv Produktion and yellow labels, and Ohms says the

50-title Signature series is particularly successful. "It offered top quality productions of world-famous artists like Michelangeli and Kleiber at what you might call paperback prices for the first time," he says.

Teldec managing director Gerhard Schultze reveals a 4% sales increase for the first half of this year, mainly from domestic and international repertoire and club sales. But he acknowledges that turnover targets in other areas, including special products, video games and distributed repertoire, were not reached. Links with such foreign labels as Stiff, Jive, Sugarhill, Gig and Delphine helped maintain buoyancy, he says, and import and export services, with rises of 12% and 27% respectively, were 'particularly successful."

Teldec's 16% upturn in classical turnover also bucked the prevailing downward trend. The company's Di-

rect Metal Mastering technology has been taken up under license by some 26 West German and foreign companies. The group's pressing plant has worked at full capacity thus far this year. And the corporate catalog of 145 CD titles will be "greatly enlarged" by year's end, Schultze says.

In the general aura of gloom, Tel-dec has scored strongly with Peter Maffay, Frank Duval, TMF, Richard Clayderman, Conny & Jean, Falco, Patto, Blancmange, Tracey Ullman and Chris Rea.

Equally prominent in the buoyant sector of the German industry is WEA, with turnover up 26% in the first seven months of this year, following on the 1983 upturn of 13%. British newcomers Howard Jones and Nik Kershaw each chalked up three simultaneous chart entries.

WEA national repertoire successes (Continued on page 67)

## **BPI Antipiracy Unit Stages Coordinated Cassette Raids**

LONDON- Following its biggest U.K. operation yet, the British Phonographic Industry's antipiracy unit needed several vans to remove confiscated cassette tapes, alleged to be counterfeit, with a street value of nearly \$20 million.

There had been coordinated raids on premises in four counties near London in which investigators, armed with Anton Piller "searchand-seize" documents, took away massive quantities of recorded and blank tapes, print work and documents.

Goods confiscated included duplicators, half a million inlay cards and labels, lists of available stock covering some 140 currently available pop titles, and 20 "made in America" U.S. releases, including "The Official Music Of The XXIIIrd Olympiad"

The raids started July 30 in Surrey. The investigators then moved in on a printing works in Hampshire, removing "substantial quantities" of labels and allegedly illicit tapes. Then followed two raids on premises in Middlesex and one in Berkshire, the latter yielding for confiscation eight high-speed duplicators.

Most of the defendants have given undertakings required by the BPI injunction not to be involved with the manufacture, distribution and sale of counterfeit audiocassettes. Under a Mareva Injunction, obtained by BPI with the Anton Piller order, a substantial part of the assets of one defendant have been frozen until trial or further order.

# **Italy's Ducale Acquires French Arion Label**

By VITTORIO CASTELLI

MILAN-Italian record company Ducale has acquired the French label Arion, after years as its licensee for this market. The pact, which follows 14 months of negotiation, is proceeding despite the opposition, on culturthe grounds, of French

One third of the agreed-upon price has been paid as the so-called "blocking minority," and an irrevocable sales promise agreement has been signed for the remaining share. The transaction is expected to be complete within one year.

For the time being, Arion's French board of directors will remain in charge of the label, but significant distribution changes have already taken place. The previous deal with CBS France has been cancelled and existing stock re-purchased by Arion for assignment to Ducale's French distributor Auvidis. Under a recently concluded deal, Ducale will in turn

be responsible for Auvidis's exclusive representation in Italy, as of Sept. 1.

Production has also been transferred. All product had been manufactured in France and exported from there. Pressing will now move to Ducale's Brebbia factory, where the company has in recent years been building up its manufacturing operations for both disks and tapes.

Computerized duplication lines have given Ducale a capacity of 4,000 C-O cassettes an hour. Recent third party deals have included production of Baby Records' personalized cassettes, incorporating the Baby trademark printed on the tape leader and pressed onto the cassette shell and box.

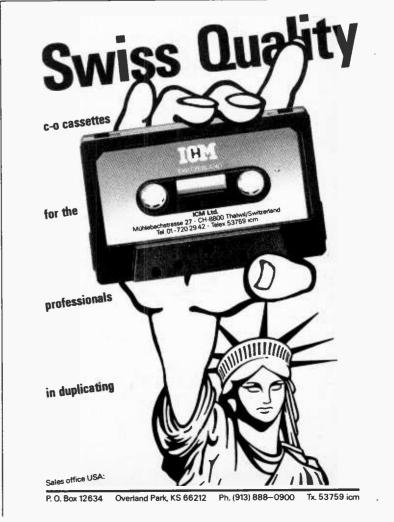
vcale president Davide Matalon, the . ion acquisition represents "a turning int." Having expanded its manufacture g activities, the company is now reverting to an emphasis on the improvement of its catalogs and their exploitation through a network of European alliances

"What we're trying to do is to put together a chain of related but independent companies in various countries, each dealing with the others' la-Matalon says. He notes that this is the only way specialist labels handled by Ducale, such as Palo Alto, Bainbridge and Pausa, can be profitably managed.

Links in this multinational indie network currently include Ducale, Arion, Musikvertrieb in Switzerland, Indisc (the new branch of Inelco) in the Benelux territories and Teldec in West Germany.

European concert tours for artists signed to the label are also a possibility, according to Matalon, through the collaboration of promoters in the different countries involved.

"It may be hard to start because we're currently out of the concert circuit," he admits, "but I started in the '50s as a promoter, so I'm not too worried about the difficulties to be overcome.'



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# Commentary

# **Sharing Music With A Friend**

We print a recent exchange of letters between Stanley M. Gortikov, president of the Recording Industry Assn. of America, and William H. Honan, culture editor of The New York Times, be cause they probe contradictory conceptions on the legality of home audio taping. An earlier letter by Gortikov to The New York Times (Commentary, Aug. 11) was critical of an article by Times columnist Hans Fantel which provided practical advice on how best to dub from Compact Disc.

Dear Mr. Gortikov:

May I say that I appreciate your concern about the danger of copyright violations in the use of the new recording equipment, and I do believe that Mr. Fantel should have been even more explicit than he was about possible illegal uses of the techniques he was describing. Nevertheless, I think you go too far when you write that he gave a "blueprint for stealing." Let me try to sort the matter out.

#### 'Courts have ruled copying for personal use is legal'

In the first place, as you well know, electronic copying has raised both legal and ethical issues ever since modern tape recording equipment came onto the market. The courts have consistently ruled that copying for personal use is legal but that unauthorized copying for commercial purposes was a violation of

Mr. Fantel sought to underscore that fact when he stated at the outset of his article that he would not deal with "those aspects of duplicating copyrighted material which are matters of law or conscience." He went on to say that he was writing for those who planned to use their recording equipment legally "to make a cassette copy from your CD to play in the car, or perhaps to share the music with a friend." In fairness, I honestly believe that that was a pretty good warning for Mr. Fantel to voice.
On reflection, however, I wish he had been even more explicit

about possible illegal uses of recorders—to leave absolutely no doubt in the reader's mind as to what he was not recommending. But that is a matter of emphasis, and one we will correct in the future; it is not a case of providing readers with "a 'how-to' manual for evading purchasing and bypassing copyright protection" as you say in your letter.

In other words, while I do not believe that any article telling how to drive a car must remind readers not to use cars as getaway vehicles in bank robberies, because that's so obvious, I do believe that the situation is presently vague enough in the use of recording equipment so that it is advisable for us to make a greater point of reminding readers about what uses of this equipment are illegal. We will strive to underscore these facts in the

For that reason I thank you for your letter, although I hope you understand that I cannot accept all of your characterizations of Mr. Fantel's article.

William H. Honan

Dear Mr. Honan:

Thank you for responding to my letter of July 30 in which I protested Hans Fantel's CD copying article. Please be aware that one of your basic facts is wrong. You state that "the courts have consistently ruled that copying for personal use is legal..." Not true! Yes, the Supreme Court did rule in the "Betamax" case that video taping in the home for personal use was not a copyright infringement, but it explicitly did not embrace audio taping in its decision.

Further, the Court's video taping decision focused narrowly on timeshifting taping (which does not prevail with audio) and the failure of the plaintiffs in the early stages of video recording to demonstrate "economic harm." Conversely, the audio sound recording industry has proved massive economic harm year after

And Mr. Fantel's gratuitous encouragement of tape copying "to share the music with a friend" is hardly "personal use." That very definitely remains a "blueprint for stealing." I'm sure you would endorse that conviction if you created a work, copyrighted it, depended on its sale for your livelihood . . . and then saw your income potential eroded by indiscriminate copying fostered by a major New York daily.

#### 'Not true! Betamax did not embrace audio'

Certainly the spirit of your own letter and Mr. Fantel's article is at odds with The New York Times' own editorial of March 30, 1984. Even your newspaper acknowledged that "the technology that gives consumers such pleasure is eroding the income of the producers . . ." Further, The Times confirmed in this editorial that "home audio recordings surely damage the industry, particularly in its classical music branch."

Yet, Mr. Fantel comes along—despite these realities underscored by his employer—and very explicitly encourages the practice with his "how-to manual for evading purchasing.

I underscore again a theme of my letter in hoping that The New York Times would support for other copyright creators, rights owners, and risk-takers the same copyright protection it diligently and properly reserves for itself. Further, I urge that you print my original letter with the same prominence accorded Mr. Fantel's article. Thus, my industry's perspectives on the damage of home taping could balance Mr. Fantel's recipe for expanding home taping.

> Respectfully. Stanley M. Gortikov

# Letters To The Editor

#### Variety Pays Off

All of us at WDST were happy and proud to receive Billboard's station of the year award (small market, variety) for the third time. In this age of strict formats, consultants and narrowcasting, it's a pleasure to be program director at a station that presents the full spectrum of music with talk, news and other specialty programming.

But how, one might ask, can a variety format be successful commercially in this age of specialization? It's simply a matter of having very knowl edgeable music programmers and putting the right programs on at the right time.

Our weekday drive times and midday contain a blend of all types of today's top music—rock, jazz, country, blues, folk, even reggae. We also play longer tracks and the special extended versions of songs. We have a daily two-hour jazz show. Jazz is too good not to be played regularly. On weekends we play classical music. All our programs have frequent interviews with guests, including top musicians and newsmakers.

Thanks again for the award. I would like to encourage all program directors to expand their music horizons. There is a lot of great music their listeners are missing.

Program Director, WDST Woodstock, N.Y.

#### **Neither Pretender Nor Contender**

I fail to understand Mike Cibulas' reasons for being pissed off (Letters, Aug. 4). The photograph of Michael Jackson wearing a crown he refers to does not have a caption proclaiming him "King of Rock'n'roll" (or king of anything else). The article on that same page in the Billboard (July 21) does not make such a reference.

I cannot speak for Michael Jackson's reason for posing in that costume, but I doubt that he has the ego to think of himself as the "King." Has Mr. Ci-bulas forgotten that Elvis himself said he didn't want to be thought of as the King, that there was

only one king? (Elvis was referring to the Lord.)
As for Elvis' phenomenal chart statistics, has Mr. Cibulas considered what the statistics were for Elvis in 1960, when he was 25 years old? What will Michael's statistics be in the year 2,000, when he reaches the age of 42? Comparing Michael to Elvis isn't really fair to either of them.

I do not believe Michael is trying to compete

with Elvis, the Beatles, or even Lionel Richie. He is neither a pretender nor a contender, but a star who has made it on his own merit, just as Elvis did vears ago.

San Diego

#### Still 'The King'

With reference to Mike Cibulas' letter (Aug. 4) on Michael Jackson vs. Elvis Presley, all I can say is "Atta boy Mike!" What a letter. Not only can this guy write, he knows his stuff, too.

I admit I'm a little biased where Elvis Presley is concerned, but I honestly feel Cibulas relayed the sentiments of a lot us of us. Give Michael Jackson his due; he's definitely a superstar. But it's still nice to know that "The King," though gone, is not forgotten, and that he still wears the crown even seven years after his death. Barb Douglas

#### A Promising Future

I was happy to see John Sippel's article about Sam Harris (July 14). Only a week earlier I had written requesting more information about this Star Search talent winner. He has a very promising future, and I look forward to the time when he takes his act on the road into my area so that I will be able to enjoy his live performances.

T. Brandt Steubenville, Ohio

#### **Helping New Artists**

This is in response to Joseph Cooper's commentary (July 14) on new artists being "blacklisted" on radio. As a nighttime DJ, I try to have a new music hour after midnight. Our station would be more than happy to play music from new artists, but apparently the record companies feel our market is too small. So before Cooper points his finger at radio stations, he should look at himself and his fellow record companies. Are they doing enough to help new artists? Scott Pearson, KMIT Mitchell, S.D.

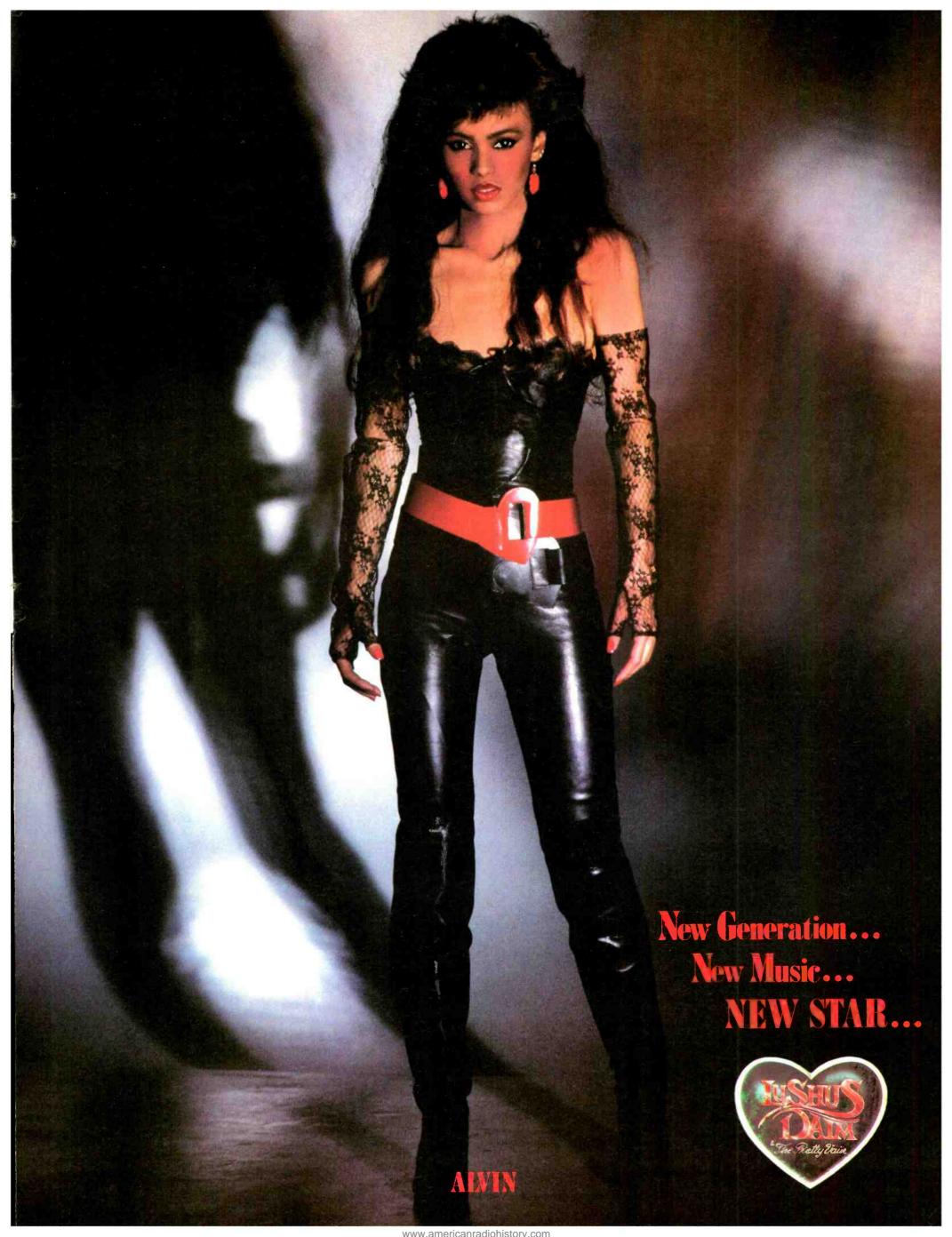
#### Satanic Tolerance

The letter in your Aug. 4 issue regarding the ad for Dio's new album represents the emergence of a frightening attitude in America today. If, as the letter suggests, we disallow Dio's "Satanic" advertisement, we must also disallow all ads for gospel.

Music is an effective way of expressing deeply felt emotions and religious convictions. Some of these may be good and others bad, but in a free country we cannot allow any of them to be suppressed. As for Mr. Dio's Satanic involvement, I urge letter writers Malley and Sackman to buy a copy of Kerry Livgren's first solo gospel album, "Seeds Of Change." Ronnie James Dio sings lead vocals on two of the album's best cuts.

J. Todd Settle

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RADIO BEAT—Pretenders drummer Martin Chambers drops by WYSP Philadelphia to pose a question to air personality Anita during her "Ask Anita" segment.

# Owner Takes Charge At Z-90 San Diego AOR's Program, Sales Rights Reclaimed

By THOMAS K. ARNOLD

SAN DIEGO—On Sunday night, Aug. 12, the year-long attempt by AOR station XHZ-FM (Z-90) to unseat longtime rock radio leader KGB-FM came to an abrupt end when its Mexican owner took back the programming and sales rights he had been leasing to an American operator.

After 15 minutes of dead airtime, the station went back on the air shortly after midnight as Noventa FM 90, playing a haphazard mix of hard rock, top 40 and disco selected by owner Victor Diaz and his two teenage sons, "who know more about

that type of music than I do," Diaz

says.

The sudden change came as a capper in an ongoing fight between station owner Diaz and San Diego Radio Co. Inc., to which Z-90 was leased.

"With a great deal of sadness and frustration, the relationship is ended," says general manager Bruce Walton, who also oversees another embattled San Diego radio station, West Coast Media's KIFM, recently ordered by the FCC to surrender its license. (San Diego Radio Co. was put together by key West Coast Media executives to lease the programming rights on Z-90.)
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"I terminated 13 Z-90 staffers this week, and that's bad enough, but we were basing our company's future on the success of the radio station, and it appears now that it can no longer be," Walton says.

As a result of Diaz's decision to boot out the Americans, Walton says, his company has filed an \$11 million breach of contract lawsuit against the Mexican broadcaster, who also owns radio stations XLTN (Radio Latina) and XHKY. Both those stations feature Spanish-language programming and, like Z-90, operate out of Baja California.

"We had a series of contracts with him (Diaz) that would give us control of the radio station for 35 years," Walton says. "Obviously, his interpretation of the contract was such that he felt justified in coming in and taking over, but we disagree."

Diaz, who lives in LaJolla, says one of the key reasons why he took back the station was its poor showing in recent Arbitron books (the station scored a 1.2 and 1.6 in the two most recent rating periods, compared to rival KGB's 7.6 and 7.9). Another, he says, was San Diego radio's insistence on referring to the station on the air as emanating from San Diego

rather than Baja California, Mexico, which doesn't rest well with the SCT, the Mexican government's equivalent of the FCC.

"We had many other disagreements too," Diaz says. "We want to do a professional job, and we will, as soon as we find people who can do it." And then there's the infamous "mole people" incident, which Diaz says was the spark which prompted his Aug. 12 action.

On his June 8 morning show, Z-90 disk jockey Bill Hergonson, who is also the station's program director, read a Copley News-owned Wireless Flash news item jokingly reporting that a German anthropologist reported that he had discovered a tribe of mole people living in the sewers of Mexico City.

Three feet high and with slippery albino skin, Hergonson read on the air, the mole people were speculated by the anthropologist "to have lived in the underground Mexican tunnels for thousands of years. Meanwhile, other anthropologists speculate that too much tequila was consumed prior to the Mexican mole people sighting."

That item went by, apparently unnoticed, but when Hergonson repeated parts of the report two weeks later, Diaz received a complaint from Mexican authorities who were outraged over a second hand report they had received about the broadcast. They had heard that it accused the government of Mexico of being so bad that the people's poverty has forced them to live in the sewer.

Hergonson says he promptly dashed off a letter of apology, along with a Spanish translation of the actual broadcast, but that didn't seem to placate the Mexican authorities, who demanded of Diaz that from then on, everything said on the air by Z-90 jocks would have to be translat-

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# Vox Jox

# Gary D. To Be The Talk Of WERE

By ROLLYE BORNSTEIN

Longtime Gary D. fans will remember his early prominence on Cleveland's WERE. Back then the format was outrageous talk. Well, WERE is still talking, and D. is still outrageous, and soon the two will reunite. The show, still looking for an exact time slot on the news/talker—which carries ABC's Talkradio and will soon be Cleveland's primary CBS Radio affiliate—is said to be more than ranting and raving. D. will get into the issues quite a bit, according to WERE's management.

Meanwhile, across town at WDMT, they're looking for a PD/morning man combination, as PD Jeffrey B. Kelly and morning man L.C. (Len Cannon) exit. Kelly jumps across town to Booth Broadcasting, doing 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. on WLTF (replacing Bobby Thomas, who moves to full-time production); while L.C. becomes a news reporter at Toledo's ABC affiliate, TV 24 (WDHO). Helping in the FM 108 search for Kelly's replacement is Kelly—Don Kelly, that is, the station's new consultant, now that Barry Mayo has ended his agreement in order to devote his full attention to his VP/GM gig at WRKS New York.

Exiting the North Coast is WGAR/WKSW Cleveland operations manager Jay Clark. Clark, who prior to his stint at the AC turned country AM powerhouse programmed WABC New York, WPRO-AM-FM Providence and WTIC-AM-FM Hartford, is ready for the Greater Media challenge and thus has accepted the operations manager's post at the company's L.A. outlet, KHTZ. Word is that his first order of business will be selecting a PD, and there's no word on whether he'll be involved with KRLA once that is acquired.

It's obvious Randy Kabrich has come to Charlotte. Already the radio war is heating up, as Larry Sprinkle, morning personality on WROQ, which he consults, picked up a tasty tidbit in the local paper about the possible sale of Capitol's WLVV, licensed to Statesville. The item claimed the outlet was up for grabs for \$5 mil. (Rumors around town have a few well-known broadcasters interested.) Believing that Capitol's Jim Goodmon could use some "help" in determining WLVV's proper direction, Sprinkle first critiqued the current sound as "bor-ing" and then solicited comments from "interested" listeners ... Meanwhile, up at

Capitol's Raleigh flagship, GSM Martin Seligson is the latest on the exodus trail. He follows the group head, VP/GM and news director out the door, all in unrelated depatures.

Format 41 comes to South Florida Joe Amaturo's Joy 107 (WWJF-FM, which has seen everything from disco to easy listening) will now carry the satellite-fed AC fare from Transtar
... KKFX "The Fox" Seattle's Charles J. Broadus becomes VP/GM of BENI's WPDQ-AM Jacksonville, Fla. while Seattle's Carole S. Moore joins the urban outlet as GSM Leaving the land of Cable (Warner Amex in Cincy) is veteran broadcaster John Piccirillo, who moves north to Detroit as VP/GM of Bob Liggett's WCLS (WABX's new AC incarnation). He replaces Grant Santimore, who resigned for health reasons . . . If you've been confusing WCLS with Baton Rogue's WLCS, you won't any longer. The top 40 outlet switched to nostalgia and picked up the new calls WXAM in the transition.

Not only is Richard Balsbaugh's Pyramid Broadcasting growing by leaps and bounds, but so is his consultancy. Last week he and programmer Sunny Joe White announced the signing of New York's WKTU. This week it's Hartford, as Sunrich (that's what they call their company) signs

Back in Seattle, local sales vet Bill Jensen leaves his LSM post at KIRO to join Bingham's newest property licensed to Bremerton, KHIT, as GM... Exiting the GM post at Bismarck's consistent No. 1 outlet, KFYR (which dropped to a mere 29.4), is Tom Barr... Moving up at Taft is Shawn Portman, who exits the WDVE Pittsburgh LSM post to become GSM at co-owned WSUN Tampa.

Since Cap Cities announced it vouldn't be picking up any of the KLAC Los Angeles contracts once it acquires the Metromedia outlet, we wonder who'll be picking up Deane Day. Looks like an excellent personality is at large . . . Speaking of excellent personalities, jazz impresario Felix Grant, who survived 30 years on WMAL (the trooper even stuck it out when they put him in the "Might Mo Drive-in" remote van doing top 40 requests and dedications as the kids munched away), will be exiting the station at the end of the month. If you have any need for one of the most knowledgeable, personable jazz hosts ever to grace the business, now is the time to make your move.

Looking for work? If you want your big break in Music City U.S.A., give Gallatin's WWKX (KX 104) a call. Local legend Coyote McCloud finally got his big break with his rendition of "Where's The Beef?" and now plans to pursue recording fulltime. Mike St. John is the man to hit up for that one. If that doesn't work out, you might try Ron Kempff's WZKS, where Jim Zippo and Debbie Summers are exiting their morning slot as well.

Over in Greensboro, former Nashville personality Don Geronimo (not the same one—this one is Tom Underwood, who jocked at WKOS Murfreesboro when Tom Armshaw owned it) moves to Armshaw's WRQK doing mornings with former morning half Willie ("The Willie & Wes Show"—Wes being Wes Jones, a former WRQK programmer who remains in that department) Edwards. Edwards had been doing afternoons until the recent switch, which also saw the arrival of a new PD, Tom Collins from neighboring Winston-Salem's WKZL, where WMJY Long Branch, N.J.'s Steve Christian becomes PD.

Nice going for Russ Brown, Don O'Shea and the gang at Roanoke's WXLK. Their latest Arbitron has them up from a 26.0 to a 32.0. (The closest competitor is country-formatted WSLC at a 15.9.) Not only that, but the 12.4 they managed in Lynchburg makes them the top contemporary hit outlet there.

Finally, an all-oldies outlet in Portland. Actually, former all-news KYXI is going to be bit more current than it has been with its present news and nostalgia format when KSGO emerges in September. Programmed locally with emphasis on the '60s, the outlet will now be sold in combo with its FM AOR counterpart KGON. That leaves "Music Of Your Life" KYTE as the only such station in town.

Jack Taddeo's replacement has been found for Chicago's WLAK. Marc McCoy leaves Phoenix's Lite (KKLT) to join the Viacom "Love Songs" outlet ... Likewise for Rusty Walker's replacement at Kansas City's KFKF. WLLR Davenport's Ray Massie joins the Sconnix country outlet ... Upped to operations manager and program director respectively at Honolulu's KGU are Chester Chong and Dan van Eeno.

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# 'Sunny 97' Now 'Y-97' As WNSY Goes Top 40

NEWPORT NEWS, Va. — Research consistently shows that even under the best circumstances, call letter or slogan retention is nowhere near the top of a listener's priorities. Countless hours and dollars are spent on perfecting the image that will single a station out from the crowd. For several years, adult contemporary WLTY-FM in Norfolk has built a successful identity around its "Y-96"

Among Y-96's direct competitors for the past year has been the former WGH-FM. WNSY, known on the air as "Sunny 97," shared similar goals and audience as both FM outlets strived to be AC dominant. Even with its recent drop in the spring Arbitron book, Y-96 was the clear leader.

Consequently, "Sunny 97" switched to a top 40 approach, while its AM counterpart, WNSY-AM, retained its oldies-based programming. (Both outlets where bought by Dayton-based Commcor, the broadcast division of the medical corporation Grandcor, last year.)

WNSY-FM's relationship with Y-96 should seemingly have been distanced by the move. However, with the new approach came a new identity campaign. "Sunny 97" became "Y-97."

"Y-97."

According to newly appointed president/GM Paul Katabian, who replaces the exiting Don Kidwell

(Kidwell has returned to Dayton as VP/GM of WHIO-AM-FM), the move was well thought out. "It was a conscious decision. We studied the question fully, considering Y-96's position," says Katabian, a former publishing executive who came to Norfolk more than a decade ago and began his radio career with WGH in 1981 as regional sales manager. "Some of the reasons for the switch should remain internal, but the fact that WLTY was using Y-96 didn't change our feelings." On whether Y-96's position enhanced those feelings, Katabian would not comment.

WLTY PD Dale Parsons says the move will not influence his future plans. "From a format standpoint they no longer compete with us," Parsons says. "We've invested a lot of money in the logò and we have no plans to stop using it now. Actually, we have so much awareness going for Y-96 that if they (Y-97) want to promote the 'Y,' we can only win."

The move to top 40 for Y-97 took place on Aug. 5, with the only staff change being "our 7 p.m. to midnight personality," says Katabian. Larry Hollowell has been replaced by former K-94 (WMYK) personality Marc Carmody now that WMYK has gone urban. Jeff Moreau remains PD but is now aided by San Antoniobased consultant Gary Gurns, as the station enters into direct competition with "Hot Hits!" WNVZ.

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#### RALEIGH OUTLET'S NEW PD

# Marcus Takes Over At WQDR

RALEIGH — "After my brother found out what the offer was, he said, 'You belong in radio, and I belong in the fish camp'," says Charlie Marcus, the newly appointed program director of WQDR here, who recently resigned his programming post at Oklahoma City's KXXY to join his brother in the ownership of a motel and fishing camp vacation spot in Flordia.

"I didn't intend to return to radio, at least not this soon," says Marcus. "But when Durham Life contacted me and told me they were going from AOR to country, and how much they were planning to invest in the format, I became very interested."

If history is any indication, the position will clearly be a challenge. Traditionally, the country format has fared poorly in the market.

Several stations on the outskirts of town have tried unsuccessfully to garner market shares. Metro outlets such as Durham's WTIK and

Title, Artist, Label

Warner Bros.

WDCG also made valiant attempts, but only recently, with former top 40 legend WKIX, has a country station emerged as a factor. In addition to WKIX, WPCM—to Burlington, 50 miles east on I-85, is also currently planning to penetrate the market, in both the ratings and sales arenas.

What makes Charlie Marcus think that WQDR can make a difference? "It's not anything I'm going to do," he says, "so much as what the music will do. Country music itself has changed since most of those other stations were in the format. I'm going to let today's country product win this one.

this one.

"Another thing is, nobody has had the signal and promotion budget we will have," says the veteran PD, who has seen success not only in Oklahoma City but also in Jacksonville, where he spent 12 years programming WVOJ, WMBR and WIVY, and New Orleans, where he programmed WNOE-FM. "Our sales

people are on the street. The new format debuts in September, and we've already been signing up advertisers. Not small accounts, either; Coke, McDonald's, Pepsi.

"Laurel Smith is strong as station manager. So is Tom Campbell, the VP/GM over both WQDR and WPTF."

The on-air lineup includes WKIX midday man Jay Butler in mornings, followed by Marcus from 10 a.m. to noon. Music director Robert E. Lewis (Lou Roberts from KXXY) handles noon to 4, with KXXY afternoon man Jim West holding down that shift at WQDR and serving as assistant PD.

"We're keeping the call letters," explains Marcus, "because they have a positive image in the community. I've already been out doing some 'research' among the town. I hang out exceptionally well. And if the comments I'm hearing about the switch are any indication, we're not going to have any problems."

ROLLYE BORNSTEIN

# Most Added Records

The week's five most added singles at Billboard's reporting stations in each of four formats

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2	"Bop 'Til You Drop," Rick Springfield, RCA	59	94
3	"Some Guys Have All The Luck," Rod Stewart, Warner Bros.	56	56
4	"I Just Called To Say I Love You," Stevie Wonder, Motown	44	101
5	"Torture," Jacksons, Epic	42	141

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1	"I Just Called To Say I Love You," Stevie Wonder, Motown	49	49
2	"The Medicine Song," Stephanie Mills, Casablanca	33	38
3	"Torture," Jacksons, Epic	32	36
4	"In The Name Of Love," Ralph MacDonald with Bill Withers, Polydor	26	34
5	"Get Off (You Fascinate Me)," Patrice Rushen, Elektra	23	47
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1	"City Of New Orleans," Willie Nelson, Columbia	46	114
2	"Pins And Needles," Whites, MCA/ Curb	46	46
3	"She Sure Got Away With My Heart," John Anderson, Warner Bros.	35	. 87
4	"Fool's Gold," Lee Greenwood, MCA	34	71
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## Raleigh's WRDU Readies Takeoff

RALEIGH—As WRDU nears its September debut date, Voyager Communications president Carl Venters is putting the final touches on the adult rock station's first promotion. Playing up the call letters' tie-in with the Raliegh/Durham Airport designation (RDU), Venters has designed a logo which uses the same herringbone arrow seen on signs directing traffic to that location and has come up with a "boarding pass" contest.

"We've planned eight club parties between now and the first of September. We'll be passing out cards that look like boarding passes inviting people to come aboard WRDU. The perforated portion will be good for Delta dream vacations," Venters explains.

explains.
"Today the tower is at the 90-foot level," he continues. "We expect it will be topped off at the end of next week, in time for our Labor Day debut. We'll kick off the (adult rock) station with 106 continuous hours of rock'n'roll music.

"It's all coming together," he continues, "sales, traffic, most of our airstaff. We expect to finalize a PD and morning man this week." Venters has alread lured three former WQDR personalities to the new approach set up by Dwight Douglas. Joining WRDU are afternoon personality Tom Guild, who will remain in that shift; morning man Bob Walton, who will serve as music director and pull a yet-to-be-determined airshift; and overnighter Bob Robinson.

# WMC's Acree Moves To PD Post At WGKX

MEMPHIS—After a decade with Scripps-Howard's WMC-AM here, PD Les Acree has resigned the post to accept the operations manager position at crosstown Kix 106 (WGKX). He replaces Dana Harmon, who moves into a marketing and promotion position at the First-com station.

As it currently stands, WMC remains the dominant country outlet in town, which it has been since its conversion to the format in 1973, when Acree joined the outlet as the music director. Leaving that post briefly in 1976 in order to program Nashville's WKDA, Acree returned as PD a year later when Bob Young accepted a position in Houston.

Through the years, WMC has faced competition in the form of WMQM-AM and KWAM-FM, followed by WMPS-AM, WZXR-FM and WLVS-FM, always emerging victorious as one after another gave up the approach in favor of other programming, running the gamut from news/talk to easy listening.

What is it about Acree and WMC's newest competitor WGKX, which at a 6.7 trails WMC-AM's 9.2 (similar Arbitron cume numbers have WGKX just .2 behind WMC-AM's 15.8), that makes the move attractive? The chance to program a Class C FM is a factor, admits Acree, "but more than that, it's a chance to go with a growing company. First-

com has actively been acquiring properties throughout the Southwest, and the opportunities for growth are unlimited."

The fact that Acree's close associate and boss Dean Osmundson recently retired after a long stint as general manager of the Scripps-Howard properties in order to run one of the two Iowa outlets he personally owns added to good timing. WGKX VP/GM Craig Scott, a longtime friend of Acree, also credits the move to timing.

"We've been a hybrid of the 'Continuous Country' approach," explains Scott. "But all along we've had a master plan which includes evolving to the next phase, which is a more foreground approach, personalities, information and dimensions that have not existed up to this point. When you begin to think of broadening in that way, you have to employ someone who is able to manage those dimensions.

"Les is a native of the area. His country experience predates even his days at WMC (Acree was formerly associated with WMQM), and he obviously knows the market."

WMC-FM GM Don Meyers, who

WMC-FM GM Don Meyers, who took over the general managership of the AM as well when Osmundson retired, has not as yet selected a replacement for Acree, who begins his new assignment next week.

ROLLYE BORNSTEIN

# **Arbitron's Parent Firm To Buy Burke Marketing**

By MOIRA McCORMICK

CHICAGO—Control Data Corp., parent company of Arbitron Ratings, has made steps towards purchasing the Cincinnati-based research firm Burke Marketing.

A letter of intent dated Aug. I and signed by both parties states that "Control Data would make a substantial investment in Burke Marketing, upwards of \$10 million, and in return would receive a 30% to 40% minority interest in the company, with an option to purchase Burke after five years," says Arbitron spokesperson Alison Conte.

Arbitron was rated fourth among market research firms in total revenue for 1983 (\$94.2 million), and Burke was rated fifth (\$60.1 million), but the combined revenue would put them second only to research giant A.C. Neilsen (\$463.6 million), according to Conte. Currently ranked second and third are IMS International worth \$137.5 million, and SAMI (Selling Areas Marketing Inc.)

at \$99.5 million.

Conte says that Burke's research emphasis in in product marketing, and that "they're very good with custom studies, organized for individual clients, whereas Arbitron is more oriented towards synidcated research. The two companies have a lot to offer in the way of complementary strengths."

Arbitron's and Burke's first project, according to Conte, is the development of the "people meter" and the "product meter," the combined results of which reveal the demographics of particular tv viewers as well as their buying habits. The project is "still in the testing stages," she says.

At this point, says Conte, the Arbitron-Burke merger is "not specifically related to the radio business," but "the combined capabilities of both companies increase the possibility" that their work will benefit radio at a future point.

# Owner Takes Charge At Z-90

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ed, on the air and immediately after the English originals. Hergonson told Diaz he could not honor such a request but instead offered to provide Spanish transcripts of everything said on the air to the proper authorities.

Since then, the authorities have not responded. But Hergonson says that Diaz, who several years earlier had found all three of his stations forced off the air for three months by the powerful Mexican union in a labor dispute, felt there was less chance of any further trouble if he himself were in control.

General manager Walton, howev-

er, says he feels Diaz's major complaint was that he wasn't making enough money under the leasing arrangement, and the "mole people" incident was an excuse to break the contract more than anything else.

"Almost immediately after the signing of the contract last year, Victor Diaz began demanding more money," says Walton. "Then about four months ago we excercised an option to take over one of his other stations, Radio Latina, and he refused to honor our action. At that point he continued to accept our monthly payments, but he filed a lawsuit against us to try to have the entire contract voided.

"Before that case could even be heard, he sent us a letter last week informing us that he was going to take over the programming. The next day, his wife walked into the studio with a box of singles and told our announcers to insert these records—mainly American top 40 hits that didn't fit in at all with our programming—every 15 minutes.

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••KEY ADD-ONS—the two key records added at the stations listed as deter-

•ADD-ONS—All records added at the stations listed as determined by station

#### Northeast Region

#### TOP ADD ONS

ROD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck (Warner Bros.)
RICK SPRINGFIELD-Bop 'Til You Drop (RCA)
MADONNA-Lucky Star (Sire)
THOMPSON TWINS-You Take Me Up (Arista)

- WFLY—Albany
  (Peter Clark—P.D.)

  MADONNA-Lucky Star

  THOMPSIN TWINS—You Take Me Up

  DONNA SUMMER—There Goes My Baby

  A FLOCK OF SEAGULLS—The More You Live, The
- NOD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck

#### WGUY-Bangor

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  [Jim Randall—P.D.]

   MADDNNA—Lucky Star

  JODELYN BROWN—Somebody Else's Guy

  STEVIE WONDER—I Just Called To Say I Love You

  ROD STEWART—Some Guys Have All The Luck

  SHEENA EASTOM—Strut

  BILLY IDOL—Flesh For Fantasy

  RICK SPRINGFIELD—Bop Til You Dog

  QUIET RIOT—Mann, Weer All Crazee Now

  ALFONSO RIBEND—Dance Baby

  COMBINATION—Girls Live You

  MEIL DIAMOND—Turn Around

  NAKED EYES—(What) In The Name Of Love

#### WIGY-Bath

- (Scott Robbins-P.O.)

  ROD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck
  BILLY 100-Hesh for Fanlasy

  JOHN CAFFERTY AND THE BEAVER BROWN
  BAND-On The Dark Side

  SHEENA EASTON-Strut

- COMBINATION—Girts Like You
   THOMPSIN TWINS—You Take Me Up

#### WHTT-Boston

- (Rick Peters-P.D.)
   LINDSEY BUCKINGHAM—Go Insane
   JULIO IGLESIAS AND DIANA ROSS—All Of You
- THE FIXX-Are We Ourselves
  LAURA BRANIGAN-The Lucky One

#### WXKS-Boston

- WXKS—BOSTOII

  | Senny Jac White-P.D.|

  \*\*THOMPSIN TWINS-YOU Take Me Up

  \*\*RICK SPRINGFIELD-Bop Til You Drop

  \*\*JOHN CAFFERTY AND THE BEAVER BROWN

  BAND-On The Dark Side

  \*\*MADDUNA-Lucky Star

  \*\*ROD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck

  \*\*BILLY 10QL-Flesh For Fanlasy

  \*\*THE STOMPERS-One Heart For Sale
- WBEN-FM-Buffalo
- (Bob Wood-P.D.)

   THE FIXX—Are We Ourselves

   STEVIE WONDER—I Just Called To Say I Love You
   RICK SPRINGFIELD—Bop Til You Drop
   NAKED EYES—(What) In The Name Of Love

#### WNYS-Buffalo

- (BIII Ted-P.D.)

  ROD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck
  BILLY IDOL-Flesh For Fantasy
  MADONNA-Lucky Star

#### WERZ-Exeter

- VVETX.—CXELET

  (Jack D'Brien-P.D.)

  BILLY IDOL-Flesh For Fantasy

  ROMEO YOID-A Girl in Trouble

  ROD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck

  RICK SPRINGFIELD-Bop 'Til You Drop

  SHEENA EASTON-Strut

  STEVIE WONDER-J Just Called To Say I Love You

  ALFONSO RIBEIRO-Dance Baby

#### WTIC-FM-Hartford

- (Mike West-P.O.)

  OONMA SUMMER-There Goes My Baby

  STEVIE WONDER-I Just Called To Say I Love You

  THOMPSIN TWINS-You Take Me Up

  THE FIXX-Are We Ourselves

- WFEA-Manchester

- WFEA—Manchester
  (Rick Ryder-P.O.)
  JACKSONS-Torture
  ROD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck
  NEIL DIAMOND-Turn Around
  JOYEE KENNEDY & JEFFREY OSBORNE-The Last
  Time I Made Love
  ALFONSO RIBEIRO-Dance Baby
  SMEEMA EASTON-Strut
  STEVIE WONDER-I Just Called To Say I Love You
  BILLY SATELLITE-Satisty Me
  THE STOMPERS-One Heart For Sale

#### KC-101 (WKCI)-New Haven

- (Stef Rybak-P.O.)

   MADONNA-Lucky Star

   JOYCE KENNEDY & JEFFREY OSBORNE-The Last
- Time | Made Love
   NEIL DIAMOND—Turn Around

- WSPK—Poughkeepsie
  (Chris Leide—P.O.)

   ROD STEWART—Some Gurys Have All The Luck
   RICK SPRINGFIELD—Bop 'Til You Drop

   BILLY OCEAM—Caribbean Queen (No More Love On The Run)
- JOYCE KENNEDY & JEFFREY OSBORNE-The Last
- BILLY SATELLITE—Satisfy Me

#### WPRO-FM-Providence

- (Tom Cuddy-P.D.)

  LINDSEY BUCKINGHAM—Go Insane

  STEVIE WONDER—I Just Called To Say I Love You

  RICK SPRINGFIELD—Boy Til You Drop

  BILLY OCEAN—Caribbean Queen (No More Love On The

## NEIL DIAMOND-Turn Around VAN STEPHENSON-What The Big Girls Do

- WMJQ-Rochester
- Jay Stevens-P.D.)

   PRINCE AND THE REVOLUTION—Let's Go Crazy
   BILLY JOEL—Leave A Tender Moment Alone
   RICK SPRINGFIELD—Bop Til You Drop
   TIMA TURKER—What's Love Got To Do With It
   TME FIXX—Are We Ourselves

#### WPXY-FM-Rochester

- (Tom Mitchell-P.D.)

  BILLY IDOL-Flesh For Fanlasy

  MADONNA-Lucky Star

  RDD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck

  THOMPSIN TWINS-You Take Me Up

  BILLY SATELLITE-Satisly Me

#### WRCK-Utica

- WYKCK—UTICA
  (Jim Bist-2-D.)

  ROD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck

  Lefterson Starship—Laying it On The Line
  BILLY 100L—Resh for Fantasy

  ROMEO VOID—A Girl In Trouble
  JOHN CAFFERTY AND THE BEAVER BROWN
  BAND—On The Dark Side

  THOMPSIN TWINS—You Take Me Up

  HELIX—Rock You

### Mid-Atlantic Region

#### TOP ADD ONS

MADONNA-Lucky Star (Sire)
BILLY OCEAN-Caribbean Queen (No More Love
On The Run (Jive/Arista)

ROD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck (Warner Bros.) JACKSONS-Torture (Epic)

#### WFRG-Altoona

- (Tony Booth—P.D.)

  ◆ JOYCE KENNEDY & JEFFREY OSBORNE—The Last
- Time | Made Love

  A FLOCK OF SEAGULLS-The More You Live, The
- More You Love

  RICK SPRINGFIELD—Bop 'Til You Drop

  BILLY IDOL—Flesh For Fantasy

  SHEENA EASTON—Strut

- WJLK-FM-Asbury Park
- (Dennis D'Mara-P.D.)

  O JOHN CAFFERTY AND THE BEAVER BROWN
  BAND-On The Dark Side

  MADONNA-Lucky Star

  ROD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck
  THOMPSIN TWINS-You Take Me Up
  COYOTE SISTERS-Straight From The Heart (Into Your

#### THE STOMPERS—One Heart For Sale

- B-104 (WBSB)—Baltimore
  [Steve Kingston—P.D.]

   MADONNA—Lucky Star

   THE FIXX—Are We Ourselves

   BILLY OCEAN—Caribbean Queen (No More Love On The

#### WMAR-FM-Baltimore

- (Ralph Wimmer-P.D.)

  BILLY OCEAN-Caribbean Queen (No More Love On The

- NUN)

  MADONNA-Lucky Star

  NAKED EYES—(What) in The Name Of Love

  RICK SPRINGFIELD—Bop 'Til You Drop

- WOMP-FM-Bellaire
- WUMP-H-M—BEHAITE
  (Dwayne Bonds—P.O.)
  DONNA SUMMER-There Goes My Baby
  BILLY 100L-Flesh for Fankasy
  ROD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck
  MADONNA-Lucky Star
  SHEENA EASTOM—Strut
  THOMPSIN TWINS—You Take Me Up

- WVSR-Charleston (Chris Bailey—P.D.)

  •• ROD STEWART—Some Guys Have All The Luck

  •• BILLY IOOL—Flesh For Fantasy

  • BILLY OCEAN—Caribbean Queen (No More Love On The

- BILLY SATELLITE-Satisfy Me COMMUTER—Commuter
   NAKED EYES—(What) In The Name Of Love

#### WZYO-Frederick

- (Kemosabi Joe-P.D.)

  MADONNA-Lucky Star

  ROD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck
  BILLY JDEL-Leave A Tender Moment Alone

- WKEE-FM-Huntington
- (Steve Hayes-P.D.)
   RICK SPRINGFIELD-Bop 'Til You Drop

#### MADONNA-Lucky Star BONNIE TYLER-Here She Come

WBLI—Long Island

(Bill Terry—P.D.)

• MADDWNA—Lucky Star

• RICK SPRINGFIELD—Bop Til You Drop

• ROD STEWART—Some Guys Have All The Luck
• THE FIXX—Are We Ourselves

#### WPLJ-New York

- (Larry Berger-P.D.)

  COREY HART-Sunglasses At Night

  VAN STEPHENSON-Modern Day Delilah
- Z-100 (WHTZ)-New York
- (Scott Shannon-P.D.)

  JULIO IGLESIAS AND DIAMA ROSS-All Of You

  COREY HART-Sunglasses At Night
- COREY HART-Sunglasses At
   SHEILA E.-The Glamorous Life
   MADONNA-Lucky Star

### TOP ADD ONS -NATIONAL

ROD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck (Warner Bros.)
RICK SPRINGFIELD-Bop 'Til You Drop (RCA) MADONNA-Lucky Star (Sire)

- WKHI-Ocean City
- (Jack Gillen-P.D.)

  THE FIXX-Are We Ourselves
  RICK SPRINGFIELD-Bop 'Til You Drop
- MADONNA-Lucky Star
   STEPHEN STILLS-Stranger
   HERB ALPERT AND THE TIJUANA BRASS-Bullish

#### WCAU-FM-Philadelphia

- (Scott Walker-P.O.)

  ◆ ROD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck

  ◆ BILLY IDOL—Flesh For Fantasy

  ◆ BILLY OCEAN—Caribbean Queen (No More Love On The
- Run)
  JOYCE KENNEDY & JEFFREY OSBORNE-The Last
- Time I Made Love
  JOHN CAFFERTY AND THE BEAVER BROWN
  BAND—On The Dark Side
  SHEEMA EASTON—Strut
  STEPPHEN STILLS—Stranger
  A FLOCK OF SEAGULLS—The More You Live, The

- WUSL-Philadelphia
- (Jeff Wyaft-P.D.)
  STEVIE WONDER-I Just Called To Say I Love You
  JACKSONS-Torture
  KURTIS BLOW-8 Million Stories
  HERBIE HANGGOK-Hardrock
  JANET JACKSON-Don'l Stand Another Chance
  STEPHANIE MILLS-The Medicine Song

#### B-94 (WBZZ)-Pittsburgh

- (Guy Zapoleon-P.D.)

  MADONNA-Lucky Star

  JACKSONS-Torture

  CHICAGO-Hard Habit To Break
- WHTX-Pittsburgh
- (Todd Chase-P.D.)

  SHEILA E.-The Glamorous Life

  LAURA BRANIGAM-The Lucky One

  BILLY OCEAN-Caribbean Queen (No More Love On The
- DONNA SUMMER-There Goes My Baby **WPST**-Trenton

# (Tom Taylor-P.D.) ◆ RICK SPRINGFIELD-Bop 'Til You Drop ◆ THE FIXX-Are We Ourselves ◆ THOMPSIN TWINS-You Take Me Up

- Q-107 (WRQX)-Washington
- (Alan Burns-P.D.)

  BILLY JOEL-Leave A Tender Moment Alone
  CMICAGO-Hard Habit To Break
  TWISTED SISTER-We're Not Gonna Take It
  MADONNA-Lucky Star

- WASH-Washington D.C.
- (Bill Tanner-P.D.)

   EDDY GRANT-Romancing The Stone
   CYNDI LAUPER-She Bop

# WAVA--Washington D.C. (Randy Kabrich-P.D.) JACKSONS-Torture

- WILK-Wilkes Barre
- (Frank Warren-P.D.)

   MADONNA-Lucky Star

   COMMUTER-Commuter
- COMMUTER—Commuter
  STEPHANIE MILLS—The Medicine Song
  SOUTHSIDE JOHNNY AND THE ASBURY JUKES—

- WKRZ-FM-Wilkes-Barre
- (Jim Rising-P.D.)

  HUEY LEWIS AND THE MEWS-If This Is It

  JOYCE KENNEDY & JEFFREY OSBORNE-The Last

  Time I Made Love

  ALFONSO RIBEIRO-Dance Baby

  JOHN CAFFERTY AND THE BEAVER BROWN

  BANO-On The Dark Side

  ROD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck

  MADONNA-Lucky Star
- MADONNA-Lucky Star
  A FLOCK OF SEAGULLS-The More You Live, The
  More You Love
  RUBBER RODEO-Any Where With You
  DEPECHE MODE-People Are People

- Q-106 (WQXA)—York (Mark McKenzie-P.D.)
- (Mark McKenzie-P.D.)

  LINDSEY BUCKINGHAM-Go Insane

  THE FIXX—Are We Ourselves

  THE FIXY—The Wonder-I Just Called To Say I Love You

  JACKSOMS—Torture

  DONNA SUMMER-There Goes My Baby

- (Mark Richards—P.O.)

  RICK SPRINGFIELD—Bop Til You Drop

  JOHN CAFFERTY AND THE BEAVER BROWN

  BAND—On The Dark Side

  SHEENA EASTON—Strut

  MADOWNA—Lucky Star MADONNA-Lucky Star
   SPANDAU BALLET-Only When You Leave
   RUBBER RODEO-Any Where With You

#### Southeast Region TOP ADD ONS

RICK SPRINGFIELD-Bop 'Til You Drop (RCA) ROD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck (Warner Bros.) RPINCE SPRINGSTEEN\_Cover Me (Columbia)

BILLY IDOL-Flesh For Fantasy (Chrysalis)

WANS-FM-Anderson/Greenville

- - (Bill McCown-P.D.)
    JULIO IGLESIAS AND DIANA ROSS-All Of You
- JULIO IGLESIA) AND DIARA NOSSANI
  MADONNA-Lucky Star
   STEPHEN STILLS-Stranger
   BILLY 100L-Flesh For Fantasy
   THE POINTER SISTERS—I'M SO Excited
   SHEENA EASTON—Strut
   ROD STEWART—Some Guys Have All The Luck

- WISE-Asheville
- (John Stevens-P.D.)

  BILLY OCEAN-Caribbean Queen (No More Love On
- The Run)

  SHEENA EASTON-Strut

  BILLY IDOL-Flesh For Fantasy
  JUICE NEWTON-Can't Wait All Night

  MADDNNA-Lucky Star

  DONNA SUMMER-There Goes My Baby

#### 94-Q (WQXI-FM)-Atlanta

- (Jim Morrison-D.D.)

  ROD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck

  JOHN CAFFERTY AND THE BEAVER BROWN
  BAND-On The Dark Side
- Z-93 (WZGC)-Atlanta
- Chris Thomas—P.O.)

  ROD STEWART—Some Guys Have All The Luck

  RICK SPRINGFIELD—Bop Till You Drop

  SHEENA EASTON—Strut

  BILLY OGEAN—Caribbean Queen (No More Love On The Run)

  JOHN CAFFERTY AND THE BEAVER BROWN
  BAND-On The Dark Side

#### WBBQ-FM-Augusta

- (Harley Drew-P.D.)

  THE POINTER SISTERS-I'm So Excited

  BILLY OCEAN-Caribbean Queen (No More Love On The
- WSSX-Charleston (Brian Philips-P.D.)

  BILLY IDOL-Flesh For Fantasy

  ROD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck

#### RICK JAMES-17 JOYCE KENNEDY & JEFFREY OSBORNE-The Last Time | Made Love • BONNIE TYLER—Here She Comes

- WBCY-Charlotte (80b Kaghan-P.D.)

  ◆ SHEEMA EASTON-Strut

  ◆ RICK SPRINGFIELD-Bop 'Til You Drop

  ◆ NAKED EYES-(What) In The Name Of Love
- WNOK-FM-Columbia

#### (Peter Wolfe-P.D.) • RICK SPRINGFIELO-Bop 'Til You Drop • BILLY IDOL-Flesh For Fantasy • ROD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck I-100 (WNFI)-Daytona Beach

(Randy Van Halen-P.D.)

SCANDAL—The Warrior

DONNA SUMMER—There Goes My Baby

LINDSEY BUCKINGHAM—Go Insane

STEVIE WONDER—I Just Called To Say I Love You

LAURA BRANIGAN—The Lucky One

#### G-105 (WDCG)-Durham/Raleigh

- (Rick Freeman-P.D.)

  BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN-Cover Me

  RICK SPRINGFIELD-Bop 'Til You Drop

  ROD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck
- WFLB-Fayetteville
- (Larry Canon-P.D.)

   MEIL DIAMOND-Turn Around

   JACKSONS-Torture

   HERB ALPERT AND THE TIJUANA BRASS-Bullish

   THE FORCE MD'S-Let Me Love You
- WFOX-Gainesville

# (Dennis Winstow-P.D.) SMEEMA EASTOM-Strut MADDONNA-Lucky Star RICK JAMES-17 ROD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck JOYCE KENNEDY & JEFFREY OSBORNE-The Last Time I Mayer Love

- WRQK-Greensboro
- WYRUK—Greensboro

  (Pam Conrad—P.D.)

   THE CARS—Drive

   SCANDAL—The Warrior

   SLADE—My, Oh My

   PETER WOLF—Lights Out

   NIGHT RANGER—When You Close Your Eyes

   SAMMY HAGAR—Two Sides Of Love

   CHRIS DE BURGH—High On Emotion

   DONNAS SUMMER—There Goes My Baby

   LINDSEY BUCKINGHAM—Go Insange

   BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN—Cover Me

- WOKI-Knoxville
- (Gary Addins—P.D.)

  JACKSONS—Torture

  BILLY 1001—Flesh For Fantasy

  SMEENA EASTON—Strut

  JOHN CAFFERTY AND THE BEAVER BROWN

  BAND—On the Dark Side

  STEPHEN STILLS—Stranger

  JYOFC KENNEDY & JEFFREY OSBORNE—The Last
  Time I Made Love

#### • JEFF LYNNE-Video • RUBBER RODEO—Any Where With You • THOMPSIN TWINS-You Take Me Up I-95 (WINZ-FM)-Miami

(Keith Listey-P.D.)

(Keith Listey-P.D.)

NAKED EYES-(What) In The Name Of Love

UNCLE JAM'S ARMY-Egypt, Egypt

THE FIXX-Are We Ourselves

BILLY SQUIER-Rock Me Tonight

BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN-Cover Me

DIANA ROSS-Swept Away Y-100 (WHYI)-Miami/Ft.

Lauderdale

- (Rebert W. Walker-P.D.)

  •• STEVIE WONDER-I Just Called To Say I Love You

- SCANDAL-The Warrior
   JACK WAGNER-All I Need
   BILLY OCEAN-Caribbean Queen (No More Love On The

- Run)

   CHICAGO—Hard Habit To Break

   BILLY 100L—Flesh For Fantasy

   BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN—Cover Me

   SAMMY HAGAR—Two Sides Of Love

WKZQ-FM-Myrtle Beach (Chris Williams-P.D.)

JEFFERSON STARSHIP-Laying It On The Line
BILLY IDOL-Flesh For Fantasy
SHEENA EASTON-Strut

WNVZ-Norfolk (Jeff Mergan-P.D.)

THE CARS-Drive

LAURA BRANIGAM-The Lucky One
EURYTHMICS-Right By Your Side
BANANARAMA-Cruel Summer

- WBJW-Orlando
- (Gary Mitchell-P.D.)

   EURYTHMICS-Right By Your Side
   JERMAINE JACKSON-Dynamite
   TWISTED SISTER-We're Not Gonna Take It
   CHICAGO-Hard Habit To Brade
   THE FIXX-Are We Ourselves

#### WRV0-Richmond (Bob Lewis-P.D.) BANANARAMA-Cruel Summer DONNA SUMMER-There Goes My Baby

- WXLK-Roanoke (Russ Brown-P.D..)

  BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN-Cover
- WAEV-Savannah (J.D. North-P.D.)

  O JOHN CAFFERTY AND THE BEAVER BROWN
- JOHN CAFFERTY AND THE BEAVER BROWN BAND-On The Dark Side
   ELVIS COSTELLO AND THE ATTRACTIONS—THE ORLY Flame In Town
   VAM STEPHENSOM—What The Big Girls Do
   ROD STEWART—Some Guys Have All The Luck
   JUICE NEWTON—Can't Wait All Night
   NAKEE SYES—(What) In The Name Of Love
   COMMUTER—Commuter

#### WZAT-Savannah

MADONNA-Lucky Star

#### Q-105 (WRBQ)-Tampa (Mason Dixon-P.D.) • MADDNNA-Lucky Star • RICK SPRINGFIELD-Bop 'Til You Drop

North Central Region ■● TOP ADD ONS ■

- WKDD-Akron
- (Nick Anthony-P.D.)

  Rick SPRINGFIELD-Bop Till You Drop

  BILLY 100L-Flesh For Fantasy

  ROD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck

  NEIL DIAMOND-Turn Around

  THOMPSIN TWINS-You Take Me Up
- WBWB-Bloomington
- ### B--DIOOTHINGTON

  (Bob Leosard-P.O.)

   JACKSONS-Torture

   STEVIE WONDER-I Just Called To Say I Love You

  \*\*\*THE FIXX-Are We Ourselves

  MAKED EYES-(What) In The Name Of Love

  \*\*\*TWISTED SISTER-We're Not Gonna Take It

  \*\*\*THE POINTER SISTERS-I'M So Excited

  \*\*RICK SPRINGFIELD-Bop 'Til You Drop

  \*\*\*A FLOCK OF SEAGULLS-The More You Live, The
  More You Love More You Love
  FIGHT-I ain't Playing

# Tony Waitekus-P.D.) MADONNA-Lucky Star NAN STEPHENSON-What The Big Girls Do JEFFERSON STARSHIP-Laying It On The Line RICK SPRINGFIELD-Bop Till You Drop STEVIE WONDER-I Just Called To Say I Love You HOWARD JONES-Pearl In A Shell

B-96 (WBBM-FM)-Chicago

WGCI-FM-Chicago

## (Gram Armstreng-P.D.) • JACKSONS-Torture • JOCELYN BROWN-I Wish You Would • STEVIE WONDER-I Just Called To Say I Love You • SADAD WATAMAGE & ROBERTA FLACK-If I'm Still

(Jim Fex-P.O.)
• CYNDI LAUPER-She Bop
• RICK JAMES-17

(Jeffrey B. Kelly-P.D.)

• UNGLE JAM'S ARMY-Egypt, Egypt

• STEPHANIE MILLS-The Medicine Song

• WATER FRONT HOME-Hulkamania

• DENISE WILLIAMS-Black Butterfly

- WGCL-Cleveland WGCL.—CIEVEIAND
  (Bob Travis—P.D.)

  ◆ THE FIXX—Are We Ourselves

  ◆ NAKEO ETES—What) in The Name Of Love
  CHERRELLE—Didn't Mean To Turn You On
  RICK SPRINGFIELD—Bop Til You Drop
  JOHN CAFFERTY AND THE BEAVER BROWN
  BAND—On The Dark Side

92-X (WXGT)-Columbus

- (Adam Cook-P.D.)

   JACKSONS-Torture

   CYNDI LAUPER-She Bop
  LINDSEY BUCKINGHAM-Go
- WNCI-Columbus
- (Harry Valentine—P.D.)

  COREY HART—Sunglasses At Might
  STEVIE WONDER—I Just Called To Say I Love You
- WCZY-Detroit

- WDR0-Detroit
- Gary Berkowitz-P.D.)

  REIL DIAMOND-Turn Around

  MADONNA-Lucky Star

  ALFONSO RIBEIRO-Dance Baby

  RICK SPRINGFIELD-Bop Til You Drop

  THOMPSIN TWING-You Take Me Up

  CHRIS DE BURGH-High On Emotion

  THE FIXX-Are We Ourselves
- (Gary Hoffman—P.D.)

  ◆ LINDSEY BUCKINGHAM—Go Insane

  ◆ RICK SPRINGFIELD—Bop 'Til You Drop

  ◆ DONNA SUMMER—There Goes My Baby
- BAND-On The Dark Side

  ROD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck

  VAN STEPHENSON-What The Big Girls Do

  SERGIO MENDES-Albis

  THE CARS-Drive
- WVIC-FM-Lansing

# (Dallas Cole—P.D.) RICK SPRINGFIELD—Bop Til You Orop BILLY IDDL—Flesh For Fantasy BILLY JOEL—Leave A Tender Moment Alor

# (Keith Edwards—P.D.) • JERMAINE JACKSON—Dynamite • JACKSONS—Torture • MADONNA—Lucky Star

WZOK-Rockford

# Jay Bonley-P.D.) MADDNMA-Lucky Star SHEENA EASTON-Strut THOMPSIN TWINS-You Take Me Up DRAGON-Rain

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# (Tony Gray-P.D.) JACKSONS-Torture CHRIS TAYLOR-Reckless STEPHANIE MILLS-The Medicine Song CHRIS DE BURGH-High On Emotion CHANS DE BURGH BURGH-HIGH ON EMOTION WHYT-Detroit

- WNAP-Indianapolis
- WZPL-Indianapolis (Gary Hoffman—P.D.)

  BILLY OCEAN—Caribbean Queen (No More Love On The
- (Bill Martin-P.D.)

   VAN STEPHENSON-What The Big Girls Do

   THE FIXX-Are We Gurselves

   MAKED EYES—(What) In The Name Of Love

   JACKSONS—Torture

   ROD STEWART—Some Guys Have All The Luck
- WZUU-FM-Milwaukee (Cat Michaels—P.D.)

  • MADONNA—Lucky Star

  • MIGHT RAMEGE—When You Close Your Eyes

  • JOHN CAFFERTY AND THE BEAVER BROWN
  BAND—On The Dark Side

# WRKR-FM-Racine

(Jeff Davis-P.O.)
CHICAGO—Hard Habit To Break
THE CARS-Orive
BRUGE SPRINGSTEEN-Cover Me
DONNA SUMMER-There Goes My Baby
CHAIS DE BURGH-High On Emotion
JERMAINE JACKSON-Dynamite
MIGHT RANGER-When You Close Your Eyes
BILLY SQUIER-Rock Me Tonight

WSPT-Stevens Point

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- (Ray Williams—P.D.)

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  THE FIXX—Are We Ourselves

  RICK SPRINGFIELD—Bop Til You Drop
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  THE CARS-Drive

  COREY HART-Sunglasses At Night

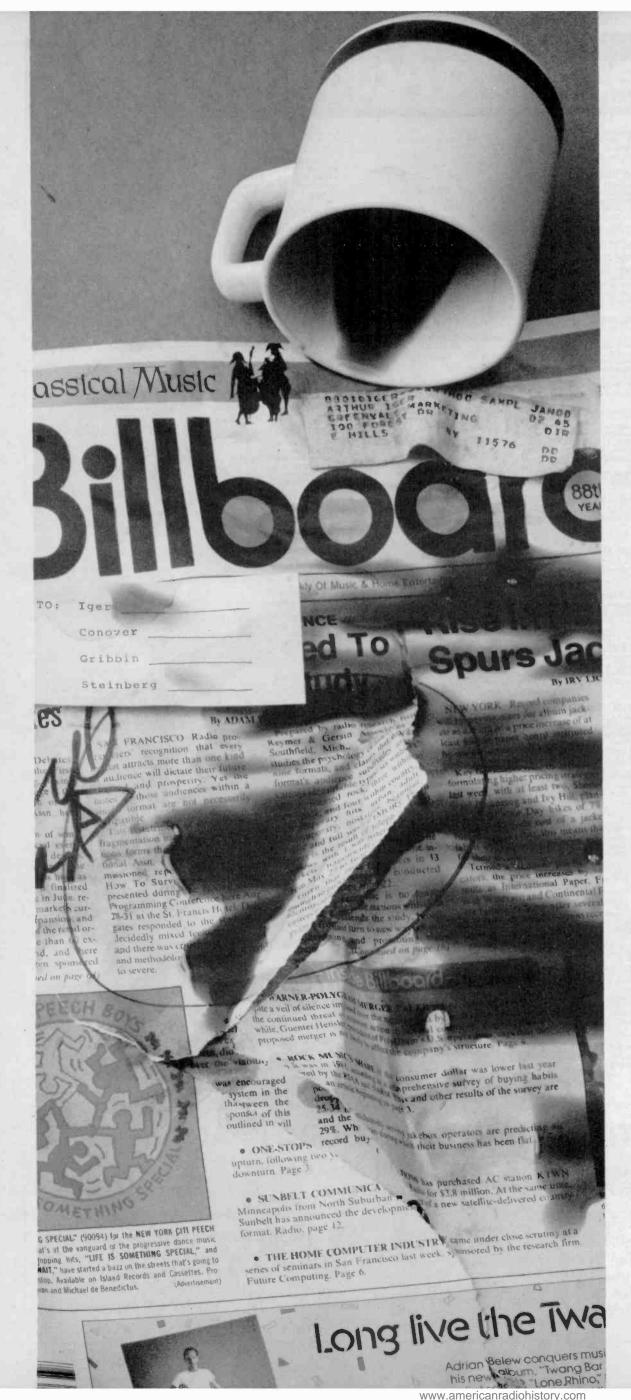
- WCIL-FM-Carbondale
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  (Buddy Scott-P.O.)
  SCANDAL-The Warrior
  LAURA BRANIGAM-The Lucky One
  BILLY 100L-Flesh For Fantasy
  JEFFERSON STARSHP-Laying It On The Line
  PRINCE-Purple Rain
- TEMPER-No Favors
   THE EARONS-Beat Sixteen Q-102 (WKRQ)-Cincinnati

- RICK SPRINGFIELD-Bop 'Til You Drop (RCA) WZEE-Madison VYLEE.—MACHSON
  (Johnshan Little-P.D.)
  MADONNA-Lucky Star
  CHICAGO-HARD HABD THE BEAVER BROWN
  BAND-On The Dark Side
  BILLY 100L—Flesh For Fantasy BILLY IDOL-Flesh For Fantasy (Chrysalis)
  MADONNA-Lucky Star (Sire)
  JOHN CAFFERTY AND THE BEAVER BROWN BAND-On The Dark Side (Scotti Bros.) WKTI-Milwaukee
  - KZ-93 (WKZW)-Peoria
  - (Pat Martin—P.D.)

    THE FIXX—Are We Ourselves

    MADDNNA—Lucky Star

- FM-108 (WDMT)-Cleveland



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#### Midwest Region

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SHEENA EASTON-Strut (EMI/America) MADONNA-Lucky Star (Sire) STEVIE WONDER-I Just Called To Say I Love You (Motown)

ROD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck (Warner Bros.)

KFYR-Bismark

(Dan Brannan P.D.) SNEENA EASTON—Strut STEVIE WONDER-I Just Called To Say I Love You

KIIK-Davenport

(Jim O'Hara-P.D.)

THE FIXX—Are We Ourselves
MADONNA—Lucky Star
STEVIE WONDER—I Just Called To Say I Love You
SHEENA EASTON—Strut

**KMGK-Des Moines** 

(AI Brock-P.D.)

BILLY OCEAN-Caribbean Queen (No More Love On The

Run)
• SHEENA EASTON—Strut

BILLY IDOL-Flesh For Fantasy

 ROD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck
 JOHN CAFFERTY AND THE BEAVER BROWN BAND-On The Dark Side

WEBC-Duluth

(Dick Johnson-P.O.)
• TEDDY PENDERGRASS AND WHITNEY HOUSTON-

Hold Me

■ STEVIE WONDER—I Just Called To Say I Love You • NEIL OIAMOND-Turn Around

KKXL-Grand Forks

(Don Nordine—P.O.)

• LAURA BRANIGAN—The Lucky One

• CHICAGO—Hard Habit To Break

• THE FIXX—Are We Ourselves

JACKSONS—Torture
 MADONNA—Lucky Star

KRNA-lowa City

(Bart Gaymsher-P.D.)

DONNA SUMMER-There Goes My Baby

THE FIXX-Are We Oursehes

NAKED EYES-(What) In The Name Of Love

STEVIE WONDER-I Just Called To Say I Love You

A FLOCK OF SEAGUILS-The More You Live, The

More You Love

BILLY IDOL—Flesh For Fantasy

ROD STEWART—Some Guys Have All The Luck

RICK SPRINGFIELD—Bop 'Til You Drop

Q-104 (KBEQ)-Kansas City

PAINCKAY-P.D.)

MADDNNA-Lucky Star

BILLY 1001—Flesh For Fantasy

BANANARAMA-Cruel Summer

LINDSEY BUCKINGHAM-Go Insane

**KDWB-FM-Minneapolis** 

(Dave Anthony-P.O.)

LINDSEY BUCKINGHAM—Go Insane
MAKEO EYSE—(What) In The Name Of Love

SHEENA EASTON—Strut

YAN STEPHENSON—What The Big Girls Do

STEYIE WONDER—I Just Called To Say I Love You

WLOL-Minneapolis

(Tac Hammer-P.O.)

LAURA BRANIGAN-The Lucky One
TWISTED SISTER-We're Not Gonna Take It

BANANARAMA-Cruel Summer
GRIRIS DE BURGH-High On Emotion
ODINNA SUMMER-There Goes My Baby
BILLY JDEL-Leave A Tender Moment Alone
BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN-Cover Me

KJ-103 (KJYO)-Oklahoma City

(Oan Wilson-P.D.)

BILLY IOOL-Flesh For Fantasy

BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN-Cover Me

STEVIE WONDER-I Just Called To Say I Love You

KQKQ-Omaha

(Jerry Dean-P.O.)

JACKSONS-Torture
SHEENA EASTON-Strut
ROD STEWARY

• ROD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck • VAN STEPHENSON-What The Big Girls Do

1948-1983

1948-1983

1946-1983

Top Ten Country Singles,

Top Country Singles Of The Year,

KKLS-FM-Rapid City

(Randy Sherwyn-P.D.)
• SHEILA E.—The Glamorous Life
• JACKSONS—Torture
• CYNDI LAUPER—She Bop

KKRC-Sioux Falls

(Dan KHey-P.O.)

LAURA BRANIGAN-The Lucky One
JACKSONS-Torture

DONNA SUMMER-There Goes My Baby

ROO STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck
 RICK SPRINGFIELD-Bop Til You Drop

KHTR-St. Louis

(Beb Seeth-P.D.)

CHICAGO-Hard Habit To Break

MADONIA-Lucky Star

THE FIXA-re We Ourselves

LINOSEY BUCKINGHAM-Go Insane

PEABO BRYSOM-If Ever You're In My Arms Again

V-100 (KDVV)-Topeka

(Tony Stewart-P.O.)

• A FLOCK OF SEAGULLS—The More You Live, The More You Love

• SHEENA EASTON—Strut

• ROD STEWART—Some Guys Have All The Luck

• MADONNA—Lucky Star

• JACKSONS—Torture

KAYI-Tulsa

(Johnny Rivers-P.D.)

STEVIE WONDER-I Just Called To Say I Love You

NEIL DIAMOND-Turn Around

KRAV-Tulsa

(Rick Allan West-P.O.)
• CHICAGO—Hard Habit To Break

KFMW-Waterloo

(Mark Petter—P.O.)

• MADONNA-Lucky Star

• SHEENA EASTON-Strut

• RICK SPRINGFIELD-Bop Til You Drop

• ROD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck

**KEYN-Wichita** 

(Ron Eric Taylor-P.O.)

MADONNA-Lucky Star

ROD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck

BILLY OCEAN-Caribbean Queen (No More Love On The

Run) • SHEENA EASTON-Strut

#### Southwest Region

■● TOP ADD ONS ■

RICK SPRINGFIELD-Bop 'Til You Drop (RCA) STEVIE WONDER-I Just Called To Say I Love

THE FIXX-Are We Ourselves (MCA) MADONNA-Lucky Star (Sire)

WKXX-Birmingham

(Kevin McCarthy-P.O.)

THE FIXX-Are We Ourselves

MADONNA-Lucky Star

BILLY OCEAN-Caribbean Queen (No More Love On The

• TWISTED SISTER-We're Not Gonna Take It

KITE-Corpus Christi

(Ron Chase—P.O.)

RICK SPRINGFIELD—Bop 'Til You Drop

NAKED EYES—(What) In The Name Of Love

JERMAINE JACKSON—Dynamite

KAFM-Dallas

(John Shemby-P.D.)

STEVIE WONDER-I Just Called To Say I Love You

ANDENNA-Lucky Star

LINDSEY BUCKINGHAM-Go Insane

THE FIXX—Are We Ourselves

KAMZ-El Paso

(Bob West-P.D.)

• NAKED EYES-(What) In The Name Of Love

• JOYCE KENNEDY & JEFFREY OSBORNE-The Last

RICK SPRINGFIELD-Bop 'Til You Drop

INA SUMMER-There Goes My Baby

KSET-FM-E! Paso

(Cat Simon-P.O.)

• MADONNA-Lucky Star JACK SONS-To

VAM STEPHENSON-What The Big Girls Do
 NAKED EYES-(What) In The Name Of Love
 THE S.O.S. BAND-Just The Way You Like It
 ART OF NOISE-Close To The Edit

KISR-Fort Smith

RISK—FORT STITLIN
(Rich Hayes—P.D.)

RICK SPRINGFIELD—Bop Tril You Drop

Donna Summer—There Goes My Baby

TWISTED SISTER—Were Not Gonna Take It

SHEILA E.—The Glamorous Life

NAKED EYES—(What) In The Name Of Love

ROD STEWART—Some Guys Have All The Luck

RALPH MC DONALD—In The Name Of Love

Q-104 (WQEN)-Gadsden

(Roger Gaither-P.O.)

• JACKSONS-Tortue

• ROO STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck
• MADONIA-Lucky Star
• NAKED EYES-(What) In The Name Of Love

KILE-Galveston

COAP PATES - P.O.)

JACKSONS-Torture

STEVIE WONDER- Just Called To Say I Love You
MADONNA-Lucky Star

BILLY 100L-Flesh For Fantasy

STEPHEN STILLS-Stranger

NEIL DIAMOND-Turn Around

SHEENA EASTON-Strut

ROD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck

93-FM (KKBQ-FM)-Houston

(John Lander—P.O.)

→ BILLY 100L—Fesh For Fantasy

→ STEVIE WONDER—I Just Called To Say I Love You

→ BILLY SATELLITE—Satisfy Me

→ FLOCK OF SEAGULLS—The More You Live, The

More You Love
- LAURA BRANIGAN-The Lucky One

• RICK SPRINGFIELD-Bop 'Til You Drop WTYX-Jackson

(Jim Chick—P.O.)
• LINDSEY BUCKINGHAM—Go Insane BILLY IDOL-Flesh For Fantasy
 DONNA SUMMER—There Goes My Baby

KKYK-Little Rock

(Ren White-P.O.)
• COREY HART-Sunglasses At Night

KBFM-McAllen/Brownsville (Russ Williams-P.O.)
• RICK SPRINGFIELD-Bop 'Til You Drop

THE FIXX—Are We Ourselves
 ROO STEWART—Some Guys Have All The Luck

FM-100 (WMC-FM)-Memphis

(Rabert John—P.D.)

SCANDAL—The Warrior

PRINGE AND THE REVOLUTION—Let's Go Crazy

BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN—Cover Me

STEVIE WONDER—I Just Called To Say I Love You

Q-101 (WJDQ-FM)-Meridian

(Tem Kelly-P.O.)

RICK SPRINGFIELD-Bop 'Til You Drop

ELVIS COSTELLO AND THE ATTRACTIONS-The Only Flame In Town
• A FLOCK OF SEAGULLS—The More You Live, The

WABB-FM-Mobile

(Lestie Fran P.O.)

BILLY IDOL-Flesh For Fantasy

STEVIE WONDER-I Just Called To Say I Love You

RICK SPRINGFIELD-Bop Til You Drop

WHHY-FM-Montgomery

(Mark St.John-P.D.)

- JACKSONS-Torture

RICK SPRINGFIELD-Bop 'Til You Drop

RICK SPRINGFIELD—OUT IN THE STATE OF THE FIXX—Are We Ourselves
 NAKED EVES—(What) In The Name Of Love
 A FLOCK OF SEAGULLS—The More You Live, The
 You Love

KX-104 (WWKX)-Nashville

(Michael St. John-P.D.)
STEVIE WONDER-I Just Called To Say I Love You
ROO STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck
QUIET RIOT-Mama, Weer All Crazee Now
RICK SPRINGFIELD-Bop Til You Drop
VAN STEPMENSOM-What The Big Girls Do

WTIX-New Orleans

\*\*\* (Bruce Kramer-P.D.)

\*\* STEVIE WONDER-I Just Called To Say I Love You

\*\*\* LAURA BRANIGAN-The Lucky One

\*\* TLURA BRANIGAN-The Lucky One

\*\* STEPPHEN STILLS-Stranger

\*\*\* RALPH MC DONALD-In The Name Of Love

\*\*JAMES INGRAM-She Love Me (The Best That I Can Be)

KITY-San Antonio (Kid Curry-P.O.)

• JOYCE KENNEDY & JEFFREY OSBORNE-The Last

Time I Made Love

• RICK SPRINGFIELD—Bop Til You Drop

• THE FIXX—Are We Ourselves

• ROD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck

• TWISTED SISTER—We're Not Gonna Take It

KTFM-San Antonio

(Bill Thorman P.D.)

BORNIE TYLER-Here She Comes

BILLY 100L-Flesh For Fantasy

THE S.O.S. BAND-Just The Way You Like It

SHEENA EASTON-Strut

RICK SPRINGFIELD-Bog Til You Drop

DONNA SUMMER-There Cose My Ball

THERE STA

THOMPSIN TWINS-You Take Me Up

Pacific Southwest Region

■● TOP ADD ONS ■

ROD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck (Warner Bros.) RICK SPRINGFIELD-Bop 'Til You Drop (RCA) STEVIE WONDER-I Just Called To Say I Love

You (Motown) NAKED EYES-(What) In The Name Of Love (EMI/America)

KKXX-Bakersfield

(Dave Kamper-P.O.)

NIGHT RANGER-When You Close Your Eyes

MADONA-Wick To U close for Eyes
 MADONA-Lucky Star
 ROO STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck
 QUIET RIOT-Mama, Weer All Crazee Now
 LAURA BRANIGAN-The Lucky One

KIMN-Denver (Doug Erickson-P.D.)

THE FIXX-Are We Ourselves

STEVIE WONDER-I Just Called To Say I Love You
RICK SPRINGFIELD-Bop Til You Drop

KOAQ-Denver

JJack Regam—P.O.)

MADONNA-Lucky Star

NELL OLAMOND—Turn Around

STEVIE WONDER—I Just Called To Say I Love You

ROO STEWART—Some Guys Have All The Luck

JUICE NEWTON—Cart Wait All Night

THE FIXX—Are We Ourselves

**KPKE-Denver** TIM FOX-P.O.)

TWISTED SISTER-We're Not Gonna Take It
SAMMY HAGAR-TWO Sides Of Love
MAKED EYES-(What) In The Name Of Love
CHRIS OB BURGH-High On Emotion
CHICAGO—Hard Habit To Break

KLUC-Las Vegas

(Bill Kelly-P.O.)

RICK SPRINGFIELD—Bop Til You Drop

BILLY 100L—Flesh For Fantasy

MADDNNA—Lucky Star

JEFF LYNNE—Video

THOMPSIN TWINS—You Take Me Up

KIIS-FM-Los Angeles

(Gerry DeFrancesce-P.O.)

LAURA BRANIGAN-The Lucky One
LINDSEY BUCKINGHAM-Go Insane
BILLY 1001-Besh for Fantasy
JOYCE KENNEDY & JEFFREY OSBORNE-The Last
Time I Made Love
THOMPSIN TWINS-You Take Me Up
ROMEO VOID-Girl In Trouble (Is A Temporary Thing)

KKHR-Los Angeles (Ed Scarborough P.O.)

BILLY 100L-Flesh For Fantasy

SPANDAU BALLET-Only When You Leave

BILLY SATELLITE-Satisfy Me KOPA-FM-Phoenix

(Reggie Blackweil-P.O.)

SPANDAU BALLET-Only When You Leave
THE PDINTER SISTERS—I'm So Excited

KZZP-FM-Phoenix

(Charlie Quinn—P.O.)

• LINDSEY BUCKINGHAM—Go Insane

• STEVIE WONDER—I Just Called To Say I Love You

THE FIXX-Are We Ourselves
 STEVIE WONDER-1 Just Called To Say 1 Love You

K96 (KFMY)-Provo (Scott Gentry-P.O.)

JACKSONS-Torture

OONNA SUMMER-There Goes My Baby • NAKED EYES-(What) In The Name Of Love

KDZA-Pueblo

Rip Avina—P.D.)

THE FIXX—Are We Ourselves

NAKED EYES—(What) In The Name Of Love

RICK SPRINGFIELD—Bop 'Til You Drop

A FLOCK OF SEAGULLS—The More You Live, The

■ ROD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck

KRSP-AM-Salt Lake City

(Steve Carlson-P.D.)

• MADONNA-Lucky Star

• Rick SPRINGFIELD-Bop Til You Drop

• QUIET RIOT-Mama, Weer All Crazee Now

• ROD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck

KS-103 (KSDO-FM)-San Diego

(Dave Parks-P.D.)

BILLY OCEAN-Caribbean Queen (No More Love On The

Run)

BILLY IDOL—Flesh For Fantasy

COREY HART—Sunglasses At Might

XTRA-AM-San Diego (Jim Richards-P.D.)

BILLY OCEAN-Caribbean Queen (No More Love On The

Run)
RUD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck
JOYGE KENNEDY & JEFFREY OSBORNE-The Last
Time I Made Love
NAKED EVES-(What) In The Name Of Love
RICK SPRINGFIELD-Bop Til You Drop

KSLY-FM-San Luis Obispo

(Jac Collins-P.O.)

JACKSONS-Torture

COMMUTER-Commuter

ROD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck

THOMPSIN TWINS-You Take Me Up

RICK SPRINGFIELD-Bop Til You Drop

MARDNMAL Judge Stew MADONNA-Lucky Star
 COMBINATION-Girls Like You

KIST-Santa Barbara

(Dick Williams P.D.)

BILLY ID 0L-Flesh For Fanlasy

THOMPS IN TWIMS—You Take Me Up

ROO STEWART—Some Guys Have All The Luck

MADDINNA—Lucky Star

SHEENA EASTOM—Strut

NEIL DIAMONO—Turn Around

13-KHYT-Tucson (Sherman Cahen-P.O.)

• JACKSONS-Torture

• STEVIE WONDER-I Just Called To Say I Love You

• NEIL DIAMOND-Turn Around

• ROO STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck

• SHEENA EASTON-Strut

• RICK SPRINGFIELD-Bop 'Til You Drop

• STEPHEN STILLS-Stranger

KRQQ-Tucson (Kelly Nerris-P.O.)

• VAN STEPHENSOM-What The Big Girls Do

• NAKED EYES—(What) In The Name Of Love

• STEPHEN STILLS—Stranger

• ROO STEWART—Some Guys Have All The Luck

Pacific Northwest Region

TOP ADD ONS JACKSONS-Torture (Epic) DONNA SUMMER-There Goes My Baby (Geffen) THE FIXX-Are We Ourselves (MCA)

TWISTED SISTER-We're Not Gonna Take It

**KYYA-Billings** 

(Jack Bell-P.D.)

THE FIXX—Are We Ourselves

VAN STEPHENSON—What The Big Girls Do
THE POINTER SISTERS—I'm So Excited **KBBK-Boise** 

(Bobby King-P.O.)

STEPHEN STILLS—Stranger

VAN STEPHENSON—What The Big Girls Do BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN—Cover M JACKSONS—Torture
 THE FIXX—Are We Durselves
 CHICAGO—Hard Habit To Break

(Chad Parrish—P.O.)

Replay Replay Reveal The Luck

MADONNA-Lucky Star

BILLY 1001—Resh For Fantasy

ROMEO VOID-Girl In Trouble (Is A Temporary Thing)

KCDQ-Bozeman

• SHEENA EASTON-Strut

KTRS-Casper

Playlist Top Add Ons

(Bill Cody—P.D.)

• STEVIE WONDER—I Just Called To Say I Love You

• BRUGE SPRINGSTEEN—Cover Me

• THE POINTER SISTERS—I'm So Excited

NAM STEPHENSON—What The Big Girls Do
NEIL DIAMOND—Turn Around
JOHN CAFFERTY AND THE BEAVER BROWN
BAND—On The Dark Side

KWSS-Gilroy (Bave Van Stene-P.O.)
RICK SPRINGFIELD-Bop 'Til You Drop
NAKED EYES-(What) In The Name Of Love
THE FIXX-Are We Ourselves
LAURA BRANIGAN-The Lucky One

KGHO-FM-Hoquaim (Steve Larsen-P.O.)

VAN STEPHENSON-What The Big Girls Do

THE POINTER SISTERS-I'M So Excited

JOHN CAFFERTY AND THE BEAVER BROWN
BAND-On The Dark Side

ROD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck

MADONNA-Lucky Star

STEVIE WONDER-I Just Called To Say I Love You

KOZE-FM-Lewiston

(Jay McCaH-P.D.)

• MADONNA-Lucky Star

• SHEENA EASTON-Strut

RALPH MC BONALD—In The Name Of Love
 NAKED EYES—(What) In The Name Of Love
 A FLOCK OF SEAGULLS—The More You Live, The

BILLY IDOL—Flesh For Fantasy

KHOP-Modesto [David Altyn Kraham-P.O.]

STEVIE WONDER-I Just Called To Say I Love You

BILLY OCEAN-Caribbean Queen (No More Love On The

Run)
ROD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck MADONNA-Lucky Star
 STEPHEN STILLS-Stranger
 THOMPSIN TWINS-You Take Me Up

**KOSO-Modesto** (Stan Maine—P.D.)

DONNA SUMMER—There Goes My Baby

VAN STEPHENSON—What The Big Girls Do

STEPHEN STILLS—Stranger

KMJK-Portland

(Jon Barry-P.D.)

JACKSONS-Torture

TWISTED SISTER-We're Not Gonna Take It

ODNNA SUMMER-There Goes My Baby

THE FIVE Are WE OUTPARAGE THE FIXX—Are We Ourselves
 STEVIE WONDER—I Just Called To Say I Love You

KSFM-Sacramento (Rick Giffette-P.O.)

• ROD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck

• THE S.O.S. BAND-Just The Way You Like It

• JOYCE KENNEDY & JEFFREY OSBORNE-The Last

Time I Made Love
• RICK SPRINGFIELD—Bop 'Til You Drop **KWOD-Sacramento** 

(Tem Chase-P.D.)
• ROD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck MADONNA-Lucky Star KSKD-FM-Salem

RSRU-FM-SAIEM

[Len E. Mitchell-P.O.]

JACKSONS-Torture

ROD STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck

THOMPSIN TWINS-You Take Me Up

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MADONNA-Lucky Star

BILLY OCEAN-Caribbean Queen (No More Love On The Run)

JOYCE KENNEDY & JEFFREY OSBORNE-The Last Time I Made Love

KITS-San Francisco (Beb Garrett-P.O.)

OAN HARTMAN-I Can Dream About You

The TIME-I-ce Cream Castles

CHICAGO-Hard Habit To Break

BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN-Cover Me

DONNA SUMMER-There Goes My Baby

KPLZ-FM-Seattle

ATLL-TIPE—DEALLIE
(Jeft King-P.D.)

JACKSONS-Torture

ROO STEWART-Some Guys Have All The Luck

ODNINA SUMMER-There Goes My Baby

RICK SPRINGFIELD-Bop Til You Drop

JEFFERSON STARSHIP-Laying It Dn The Line

KUBE-Seattle (Bob Case-P.O.)

JACKSONS-Torture

SPANDAU BALLET-Only When You Leave THE FIXX-Are We Ourselves
 TWISTED SISTER-We're Not Gonna Take It

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# Vox Jox

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While we were away a few weeks ago, Viacom did the expected. Taking over Washington's WEAM, they changed the AM nostalgia outlet to WMZO-AM. country-formatted thus making it a more compatible sell with WMZQ-FM and even stiffer competition for WPKX-AM-FM-speaking of which, did we mention Jason Kane's replacements? If not, make note that the new PD is former WCAO Baltimore utility man Mike O'Malley, while Paul Orsinger takes over the MD chores.

Jim Collins has appointed Greg Cassidy to the assistant PD post at Kansas City's ZZ-99. Cassidy, a former WHYT Detroit personality, will continue his 6 to 10 p.m. shift. Collins, as you know if you read Billboard's July 28 issue, was upped to PD at the Wodlinger station, which he joined as morning man in June after a three-year stint in the programming department of WNBC New York, However, if you read the Aug. 4 issue, the scenario read much differently. But before you cast aspersions on our worthy replacement, Thomas K. Arnold, we've got to admit we weren't much help, leaving him only a note which said "Good luck and don't call" as he was faced with putting this entire section together for two weeks.

Anyhow, somehow Thomas came up with the "facts" that contemporary-formatted ZZ-99 was an "information" station, and that Collins had been out of radio for some time. We're not going to get into the philosophical argument concerning the relationship between NBC and radio; suffice it to say we apologize.

While we're on that subject, apologies are also in order to both country stations in Detroit. The reporter who



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covered the country session at Billboard's convention (Aug. 4 issue) mistakenly had WWWW's Barry Mardit claiming WCXI's ratings were inflated because they carried Tigers baseball. That would be some feat, considering WJR has been carrying the ball club's play-by-play for years, and will probably continue to do so for the same length of time, as Mardit actually mentioned.

Staying in Detroit for a moment, all those stories you've heard about KIIS L.A.'s Jerry DeFrancesco getting involved with WCZY are true. as Flame Throwing Z-95 continues to take shape. Exiting the Gannett outlet are Dave Prince (who's done every shift from mornings to his last late evening slot) and news anchor Ann Porter, as former Z-104 (WNVZ Norfolk) PD Steve Kelly, who was most recently across town at WHYT, comes on board as assistant PD and afternoon personality. That moves Lou Roberts into middays. Filling Prince's former 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. slot is overnighter Ed Barrett, as part-timer Steve Brassill moves to overnights. Meanwhile, Dick Purtan continues merrily along doing mornings.

Across town at Wheels (Double-day's WLLZ), Jerry Lubin is back. The former Mitch Ryder road manager (that will prepare you for anything) has jocked at just about every AOR outlet in town and most recently worked at jazz-formatted WJZZ. In his new Wheels capacity, he'll serve as special projects director.

Over at competing WRIF, Jim Bernardin is upped to sales manager at the ABC FM outlet . . . And at W4 (WWWW), Lori Converse becomes marketing director for the Shamrock country outlet.

Looking for a great air gig with good bucks and decent people to work for in a wonderful town? Well, just how much do you like oldies? If you fill the bill, WFIL Philadelphia PD Jay Meyers would like to talk to you. And keeping with the station's nostalgic format (though the presentation is definitely "today"), Jay is doing a thing of the past: taking phone calls! You can reach him at (215) 482-7000.

Liz Kiley is back at L.A.'s KFI. The former air personality serves as music director on this go-'round, as Steve LaBeau is upped to assistant PD while continuing his afternoon drive airshift. And joining the station as 6 to 10 p.m. personality is KHFI Austin's Chris Kelley.

Congrats to KGEM/KJOT Boise GSM Jerry Moore, who moves up in the company, becoming GM of co-owned KGHL/KIDX Billings ... Steve Lapa, GSM of WDZL TV-39 in Miami, has been bitten by the radio bug, and so it is he assumes that post at Century's soon-to-be-contemporary KMEL San Francisco.

Speaking of sales, Blair's beloved Bob Galen didn't miss a beat in action. In case you haven't heard, he's been named senior VP of research for the RAB ... It's official; the contracts have been signed. Allen Colmes is the permanent choice for the WABC New York morning

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Here's an offer you cannot afford to pass up. Out of the sheer goodness of Bruce Clark's heart, and against our protest that he should charge you something, the Charleston, W. Va. broadcaster has started a free employment service and idea exchange for country stations. PDs and personalities. The only catch is that you've got to have a computer and a modem, but if that proves to be no problem, here's the number: (304) 776-6659.

If you do possess the aforementioned, by now you've discovered the bliss of "BBSing." We've whiled away many a late night dialing around to see what we'd come up with. (If you have absolutely no idea what we're talking about here, just skip to the next item.) Okay, computer fiends, here's the latest treasure. It's called "Mr. Wizard's Software Works," and it can be reached anytime day or night at (919) 353-0610. Believe it or not, it's in Jacksonville, N.C., where WXOR assistant PD Mark Lapidus is located.

The idea actually belongs to 'XQR chief engineer Skip White, who designed the bulletin board for use by broadcast engineers, computer enthusiasts and listeners. Sections for each are included on the menu. Lapidus was kind enough to send us a recent printout, and you'll be surprised to find out who's using the system. Among the engineering heavies is Joe Knapp, chief of Malrite's WLZZ/WZUU Milwaukee, who is virtually everywhere. Should you be in a dialing mood, Joe's got his own BBS, "Radio Free Milwaukee," which you can reach at (414) 784-

WNOP Newport, Ky. (Cincy metro) has found its morning personality at last, as part-timer Kristi Heitzman gets the nod as Leo Underhill's permanent replacement. Judging by her resume, she'll do Underhill proud ("Objective: to rock the boat and vacation on the beaches of Ludlow/ Bromley with Bob Braun and family."). She'll be joined by local comedian Roger Naylor on the jazz and comedy outlet, where local blues enthusiast Steve Tracy takes over the station's blues programming with the Saturday night offering "Backdoor

Up in Columbus, Joe Dawson returns home to do afternoon drive on Nationwide's WNCI. For the past several years he's been at Tampa's Magic 96, O-105 and Z-98 . . . Moving from Rockford's WROK to the morning slot across town at countryformatted WKKN is Andy Sanders. while KFAY/KKEG Fayetteville, Ark.'s Kim Stephens now does afternoons. Rounding out the lineup is PD/MD Curtis King in middays and Andy Robbins in the evening.

Promotions at Lynchburg's WWOD have MD Kenny Shelton adding PD to those business cards, as Mike Carroll moves from operations manager to station manager . . . And at Chattanooga's WDOD, FM midday jock Art Sanner takes on additional responsibilities as music director. Meanwhile, AM PD Rick Lane continues his afternoon slot but adds to his duties, becoming operations

Remember when we told you Ron Douglas had left Toledo's WTOD in search of fame, fortune or gainful employment in Las Vegas? Well, he's found the latter, doing afternoon drive at country-formatted KFMS there ... Want to do evenings at a country station in Panama City? Call WPAP's Kevin O'Neal at (904) 769-1408. Rick Miller's vacated that slot to move to afternoons.

Veteran country personality Lee Shannon, most recently KWKH Shreveport PD, returns to his former haunt, becoming MD at Jackson-ville's WQIK. He's replaced by Peter Stewart, who continues to program the FM side, KROK, as well ... WPLO MD Johnny Gray has again defected to the record industry, joining Warner Bros. He's replaced at the Atlanta country outlet by air personality Jerry Wallace.

KSDO San Diego fans of Dave Dawson, relax. The controversial midday talk show host has signed a new three-year pact to continue his diatribes, making him one of the city's highest paid performers ... Changes at Seattle's KUBE have evening personality Wendy Christopher adding music director to her duties, while part-timer Barry Beck's persistance has paid off. He's been tapped to fill the midday vacancy created by Tom Hutyler's exit to KVI.

Upped to MD at WGNA Albany, N.Y. is midday personality Walt Ad-. The new overnighter on Louisville's WRKA is former WCII Louisville personality Rick Ellis WLS Chicago evening personality Brant Miller's going to stick around awhile. His contract's just been renewed for five years around the Windy City has Bobby Skafish possibly going to the new oldies outlet (WJMK-FM). The veteran AOR performer is currently ensconced at The Loop (WLUP) there If you spent your childhood in

Chicago in the '50s and '60s, you undoubtedly grew up with local kiddie show host Frazier Thomas. Well, the former Bozo (among others) will soon be heard but not seen on WGN's latest venture, a telephone talk show for kids. Hope the delay unit's functioning.

What's KBEQ Kansas City GM Gary Rodriguez up to these days, you wonder? The flamboyant manager has been sitting around. In an attempt to raise beaucoup bucks for the March of Dimes, maybe break a world's record, Gary has warmed the seats of Arrowhead Stadium-all 78,064 of them, one at a time, row af-

Indianapolis production wizard Howard Schrott, who left the business to pursue a law career, is back. While he still maintains a law practice, he and partner Bob Beacham have purchased Greenville, N.C.'s WISP/WQDW (Q-97). 'ISP now runs Drake Chenault's gold format, while the FM is urban. GSM Jerry McKeown was upped to staiton manager when the transition occurred. and Schrott says the duo will be looking to acquire more properties. In the meantime, he tells us, former WNAP Indy personality Bruce Munson has also returned to radio, gracing the WENS Indianapolis/Shelbyville morning show with Ron Jordan.

# **YesterHits**

HITS FROM BILLBOARD 10 AND 20 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

#### POP SINGLES-10 Years Ago

- 1. (You're) Having My Baby, Paul Anka,
- 2. The Night Chicago Died, Paper Lace, Mercury
  3. Tell Me Something Good, Rufus, ABC
  4. Feel Like Makin' Love, Roberta Flack,
- Shot The Sheriff, Eric Clapton, RSO
- Waterloo, Abba, Atlantic Wildwood Weed, Jim Stafford, MGM
- I'm Leaving It All Up To You, Donny & Marie Osmond, MGM
- 9. Rock Me Gently, Andy Kim, Capitol
  10. Keep On Smilin', Wet Willie, Capricorn

#### POP SINGLES-20 Years Ago

- 1. Where Did Our Love Go, Supremes,
- 2. Everybody Loves Somebody, Dean
- 3. A Hard Day's Night, Beatles, Capitol
  4. Under The Boardwalk, Drifters, Atlantic
  5. The House Of The Rising Sun, Animals,
- 6. C'mon And Swim, Bobby Freeman,
- Naturnia

  Because, Dave Clark Five, Epic

  Walk—Don't Run '64, Ventures, Dolton

  Wishin' And Hopin', Dusty Springfield,
- 10. How Do You Do It, Gerry & the Pacemakers, Laurie

#### TOP LPs-10 Years Ago

- 461 Ocean Blvd., Eric Clapton, RSO
- Back Home Again, John Denver, RCA Caribou, Elton John, MCA Fulfillingness' First Finale, Stevie

- Wonder, Tamla
  Bachman-Turner Overdrive II, Mercury
  Bad Company, Swan Song
  On Stage, Loggins & Messina, Columbia
  Bridge Of Sighs, Robin Trower, Chrysalis
  Before The Flood, Bob Dylan/the Band,
  Asylum

- 10. Band On The Run, Paul McCartney &

#### TOP LPs-20 Years Ago

- 1. The Beatles—A Hard Day's Night, Soundtrack, United Artists
  2. Something New, Beatles, Capitol
  3. Getz/Gilberto, Verve
  4. All Summer Long, Beach Boys, Capitol
  5. Hello, Dolly!, Louis Armstrong, Kapp
  6. Funny Girl, Original Cast, Capitol
  7. Hello, Dolly!, Original Cast, RCA Victor
  8. The Pink Panther, Henry Mancini & His Orchestra, RCA Victor
  9. The Dave Clark Five Return!, Epic
  10. Cotton Candy, Al Hirt, RCA Victor

#### COUNTRY SINGLES-10 Years Ago 1. Old Man From The Mountain, Merle

- Haggard, Capitol
  The Grand Tour, George Jones, Epic
  The Want-To's, Freddie Hart, Capitol
- Dance With Me (Just One More Time), Johnny Rodriguez, Mercury
   As Soon As I Hang Up The Phone, Loretta Lynn & Conway Twitty, MCA
   Rub It In, Billy "Crash" Craddock, ABC
   Talkin' To The Wall, Lynn Anderson, Columbia

- Columbia
  You Can't Be A Beacon (If Your Light
  Don't Shine), Donna Fargo, Dot
  My Wife's House, Jerry Wallace, MCA
  Help Me/If You Talk in Your Sleep,
  Elvis Presley, RCA

#### SOUL SINGLES-10 Years Ago

- 1. Feel Like Making Love, Roberta Flack,
- 2. Hang On In There Baby, Johnny Bristol, MGM
- Tell Me Something, Rufus, ABC
- 4. City In The Sky, Staple Singers, Stax
  5. Kug Fu, Curlis Mayfield, Curtom
  6. Kalimba Story, Earth, Wind & Fire,

Columbia
7. My Thang, James Brown, Polydor
8. Then Came You, Dionne Warwick & the Spinners, Atlantic
9. Nothing From Nothing, Bill Preston, A&M
10. Can't Get Enough Of Your Love, Babe, Barry White, 20th Century

Julio Iglesias, Tengo necesidad de verte Para hacer retroseder la muralla de sombras en que vivo. Dulcinea

# WHAT' NAME? CHANGE DANCE

I was first introduced to disco in May 1974 at a multi-tiered discotheque in London, England. The concept of transforming a routine nightclub into a catalyst for breaking records was fascinating. As the disk jockey placed a record on the turntable, the entire room full of people rushed to the dance floor.

The power which unfolded on that dance floor was unlike anything I had ever seen. The dancing audience seemed to be an interweaving of all levels of society. It was a unisex, color-blind environment where each couple orbited in its own world, free from the tensions that dictate our everyday existence.

Furthermore, the dancers at center stage emerged as performers, entertaining an entranced audience of non-dancers. Theirs was an exhilarating and totally fascinating explosion of energy. It was also a sociological revolution obviously in its embryonic stage of development.

As director of Billboard's music charts, I immediately saw the potential of disco as a very important new source of product and artist exposure.

On returning to New York, I visited key discotheques where pioneering discotunes such as "Rock Your Baby," "Don't Rock the Boat," and "Never Can Say Goodbye" were an integral part of the disco revolution. Perhaps as a portent of things to come, the New York disco scene, even then, seemed more vibrant than its European counterpart.

Like the European experience, it was obvious that discotheques in America were in the process of converting thousands of people over to the concept of dancing, and dancing is what disco is all about.

More than six years have passed since my initial disco experience. In that time disco has grown to more than one-third of the product on Billboard's Hot 100 chart. We have also expanded the charts to reflect disco activity in 16 key markets. A separate Top 100 National Disco Chart has also been established.

Billboard's editorial coverage has been expanded to include every facet of the disco industry. Further playing an important role in the expansion of the disco concept have been Billboard's highly successful International Disco Forums and its TV Disco Party.

In 1976 the movie and sound track of "Saturday Night Fever" became the catalyst that alerted the world to the importance of disco. Multiple disco TV shows have further expanded the disco audience.

Originally rooted in the sounds of rhythm and blues, disco continues to have a very heavy r&b influence. However, disco music has further expanded its horizons to include the sounds of pop, rock, jazz, reggae, gospel, country and classical. Internationally known artists specializing in these formats have embraced disco in their record releases.

Today's disco scene encompasses more than 100,000 discotheques internationally. The radio dee jay/disco battle continues with radio lashing back at the word disco while continuing to program "dance music."

The recording industry has seen Top 40 radio come full circle since 1974, when that medium first began resisting disco. By 1976 radio was partially embracing disco. In 1977-78 it rushed into disco with many stations changing almost overnight to disco formats. Repetitive disco programming and a general lack of knowledge of disco music on the part of most radio personnel almost destroyed disco.

However, in spite of these setbacks disco (dance) music programming continues apace on Top 40 radio stations. While radio experts still seek the magic formula for radio, that format invariably ends up including disco music as a key ingredient. Notwithstanding radio's disco backlash, the world is still very much involved in dancing to disco rhythms.

Disco will continue to grow through its fusion with other music formats. Disco has become entrenched in the everyday lives of countless millions of people worldwide, and gains new recruits daily. Dancing will still be very much a part of the popular music scene. Today disco has tempered even the violence of rock into submission with the softer rock-disco sounds.

Music has always reflected the times. The emergence of disco and the renewed interest in dancing as a key form of entertainment for the masses simply reflect a worldwide desire for non-violence. The sociological revolution referred to earlier is still as real and vital today as it was six years ago.

#### **Bill Wardlow**

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# Sklar's Book Looks At Top 40's Heyday

Rocking America, by Rick Sklar. St. Martin's Press, New York. 220 pages, \$13.95.

If books are written to generate talk, then "Rocking America" has

more than done its job. Since Rick Sklar's first effort rolled off the presses this spring, its contents have become the hottest topic of conversation among radio folks. Heralded by

some, demeaned by others-one broadcaster called it the greatest work of fiction written this centuryit nevertheless is significant if for no other reason than the unrefutable

fact that Sklar did preside over WABC New York as program director when the station reached its greatest success in the '60s, influencing more teenage minds than any outlet in the country.

The book's contents span the three decades of top 40's heyday, spiced with anecdotes like WINS' "call from de Gaulle," and what Bob Dayton really said. The former was a prank WINS pulled on rival WMGM, which thought the general was speaking live from France, only to discover on the air that WINS had helped them out by providing a de Gaulle sound-alike who told New York over WMGM, "Everybody knows that the best radio station in New York in WINS." The latter, one of radio's more hilarious ad libs, came about when Dayton led in to a spot thusly:

'I'm feeling good today. Yeah, had a nice time last night. One of the most beautiful women I go out with and I ... well, we were in my spacious bachelor apartment. Everything was perfect. The wine was poured. The music was soft and low. The candles were lit. Very romantic. And I whispered sweet nothings in her ear. And do you know what she said? She snuggled up to me and she said . . ." (Cut to spot) "My name is Mrs. Edward Burke. I live in Astoria with my husband and three children in a community which we moved to in order to give our children a better life. We have a school there that's the pride of the city. My children are happy there. But now they want to bus my children to school outside our community. Don't my family and I have any rights? I'm voting for Barry Goldwater tomorrow." (Back to Dayton) "So the only thing I could say was . . . the preceding announcement was paid for by the Woman's National Republican Campaign Committee."

The only glaring error we found occurred on page 27 when Sklar claimed, "Minneapolis listeners actually had two stations to pick from when competitor Gerald Bartell went against Todd Storz's station WDGY with Top Forty on WOKY," leading us to believe that Sklar thought Milwaukee's WOKY had one powerful signal, or was following the theory that everything west of the Hudson and east of the Rockies is one place.

But fact or fiction, Sklar's book falls short only in his attempt to write in terms the non-radio reader can comprehend. Efforts were obviously make to this end, but the result proves somewhat tedious for the broadcaster to read, and often difficult for the layman to follow.

Minor problems notwithstanding. the book is one that should be read by anyone interested in radio.

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WKYD Andalusia
WRKK Birmingham

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WHAQ Rome
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WOCW Waycross
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WCKZ Austell

KKLB Pocatello KSRA Salmon KJCY Mountain Home KIGO St. Anthony

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WHON Richmore

KWMT Ft. Dodge KCFI Cedar Falls KXIC Iowa City KIOW Forest City KOUR Independen KOKX Keokuk WLLR Davenport KLEH Anamosa

KANSAS
KTPK Topeka
KYGB Great Bend
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WSJM St. Joseph
WNWN Coldwater
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KKCM St. Cloud
KQJS Wilmar
WYRQ Little Falls
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KKAQ Thief River Falls
KYCK Crookston
KKGJ Jackson
KFIL Preston
KMSR Sauk Centre
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KBMO Benson
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KTTS Springfield
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KJEL Lebanon
KRMS Osage Beach
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# Featured Programming

Jack Thayer gets the nod as president/executive director of the Radio Network Assn. The former NBC Radio president, who most recently served as VP/GM of WNEW New York, replaces Arthur L. Kriemelman, who left the RNA to become VP/director of sales for the RKO Radio Networks. The RNA, by the way, just released this good news tidit: Network radio billed more advertising in May, 1984 than any other single month in the history of the industry. The record-breaking figure was more than \$27.5 million.

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Jeff Leve has done it. With no direct experience, he's managed to not only produce (that's the easy part, believe us) but also clear and sell a 24-hour syndicated special. Running on a few hundred stations, "The British Invasion" is sponsored by Nexus hair and skin care products and Bristol Meyers. The show, strippable in several configurations, is slated to run from Thursday (23) through Sept. 3. If you'd like to know exactly how Jeff managed this incredible feat, you can reach him at NSBA (Nationally Syndicated Broadcasting Alliance) in Playa del Ray: (213) 306-8009.

Coming up from Weedeck is the 12-hour holiday special, "Christmas In The Country," hosted by veteran country personality Chris Lane. It's available on a cash basis, with each hour containing 12 commercial avails. If you order before Sept. 7, you'll also receive a 10% discount and 54 special "Christmas Vignettes" which can be sold separately. Don't delay, dial today: (213) 462-5922. Operators are standing by.

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Once again, Mutual Radio Network will present a stereo simulcast of the Country Music Assn. Awards ceremony live from the Grand Ole Opry. This year's event, televised by CBS, falls on Oct. 8. The format includes a 30-minute block (9 p.m. EST) profiling the artists nominated, hosted by Lee Arnold, followed by

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the actual program, hosted by Kenny Rogers (9:30-11 p.m.). Following the event, Mutual will feature a 60-minute wrapup entitled "Party With The Stars," also hosted by Arnold.

New from Mutual is the daily three-minute "Focus On Football" feature, slated to debut Sept. 3, hosted by Pat Summerall ... On the air since Aug. 6 is "Mutual Business Report," hosted by Jim Bohannon, who also hosts the daily "Business Beat" feature. The new 3½-minute show can be heard in morning drive ... Upped to associate producer of "The Larry King Show" is Judith Dennis-Thomas.

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ABC Radio's "Supergroups" offering, produced by DIR, has the Thompson Twins live from the Allentown Fairgrounds paired with a tape of the best of Culture Club live on Aug. 29. Two days later, the series presents Night Ranger and Tony Carey ... Congrats to ABC's Michael Jackson. The star receives a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame.

August denotes the 20th anniversary of the Beatles' first U.S. tour. Consequently, New York-based Radio International announces the premiere of previously unreleased interviews with the group from that event done by Larry Kane. These days Larry can be seen anchoring WCAUTV's news in Philly, but back in '64 as a newsman for Miami's WFUN he managed to join the Fab Four for 46 days of the tour. Exactly how you can get your hands on this virgin stuff will be explained by RI's Joe Trelin at (212) 696-2350.

Meanwhile, CBS's RadioRadio is offering a six-hour Labor Day feature entitled "The 20th Anniversary Beatles Radio Special." Hosted by WCBS-FM New York's Joe McCoy, the show includes 80 cuts as well as a great selection of interviews both with the group and with others involved. You'll even hear Merle Haggard and Murray the K... Upped to

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Below is a weekly calendar of upcoming network and syndicated music specials. Shows with multiple dates indicate local stations have option of broadcast time and dates.

Aug. 17-23, Randy Rhodes, Metalshop,

MJI Broadcasting, one hour. Aug. 20, Elton John, Rockline, Global Satellite Network, 90 minutes.

Aug. 20-25, Rupert Hine, Rock Over London, Radio International, one hour.

Aug. 20-25, Elliot Easton of the Cars, Guest DJ, P.F.M., one hour.

Aug. 20-26, ZZ Top, Off The Record Special, Westwood One, one hour.
Aug. 20-26, Steve Perry profile, Star Trak,

Westwood One, one hour.
Aug. 20-26, Hoyt Axton, Live From Gil-

ley's, Westwood One, one hour. Aug. 20-26, **Dennis Edwards**, Special Edi-

tion, Westwood One, one hour.

Aug. 20-26, Charlie Barnet, The Music

Makers, Narwood Productions, one hour. Aug. 20-26, Gary Morris, The Ralph Emery Show, The Musicworks, five hours.

Aug. 20-26, Earl Thomas Conley, Country Closeup, Narwood Productions, one hour.

Aug. 24-26, Loverboy, Superstars Rock Concert, Westwood One, 90 minutes. Aug. 24-26, More Auditions, Rock Chroni-

cles, Westwood One, one hour.

Aug. 24-26, Top 30 USA hosted by M.G.

Kelly, RadioRadio, CBS, three hours.

Aug. 24-26, Top 40 Satellite Survey hosted by Dan Ingram, RadioRadio, CBS, three

Aug. 24-26, The Animals, Dick Clark's Rock, Roll & Remember, United Stations, four hours.

Aug. 24-26, John Waite, Rick Dees' Weekly Top 40, United Stations, four hours.

Aug. 24-26, Keely Smith, The Great Sounds, United Stations, four hours.

Aug. 24-26, Sylvia, Weekly Country Music Countdown, United Stations, three hours.

Aug. 24-26, Charley Pride, Solid Gold Country, United Stations, three hours.
Aug. 24-26, Ray Stevens, Danny Kalb &

the Blues Project, Don & Deanna On Bleecker Street, Continuum Broadcasting Network, one hour. Aug. 24-25, Sergio Mendes, Rick Dees'

Weekly Top 40, United Stations, four hours. Aug. 24-26, Radio Songs, Dr. Demento, Westwood One, two hours.

Aug. 24-26, Sammy Hagar, Ronnie James Dio, Rock Album Countdown, Westwood One, two hours.

Aug. 24-26, Alicia Myers, Mtume, The Countdown, Westwood One, two hours.

Aug. 24-30, Kiss, Metalshop, MJI Broadcasting, one hour.

Aug. 25, Everly Brothers, Solid Gold Saturday Night, RKO Radioshows, five hours.

Aug. 25, David Frizzell, Shelley West, Silver Eagle, ABC Entertainment Network, 90 minutes.

Aug. 25, Ringo's Yellow Submarine, ABC FM Network, one hour.

Aug. 25-26, John Cougar Mellencamp, Hot Rocks, United Stations, one hour.

Aug. 25-26, **Del Shannon/The Association**, Supertracks, Creative Radio Network, three hours.

Aug. 25-26, Don Williams, Ronnie Milsap, Lee Greenwood, Barbara Mandrell, Alabama, Lee Arnold On A Country Road, Mutual Broadcasting, three hours.

Aug. 26, Journey profile, Rolling Stone's Continuous History of Rock & Roll, ABC Rock Radio Network, one hour.

Radio Network, one hour.

Aug. 26, American Country Countdown with Bob Kingsley, ABC Entertainment Network, three hours.

Aug. 26, American Top 40 with Casey Kasem, ABC Contemporary Network, four hours.

Aug. 26-Sept. 1, Gary Moore, Rock Over London, Radio International, one hour. Aug. 26-Sept. 1, Wang Chung, Guest DJ,

P.F.M., one hour.
Aug. 27, Cars, Rockline, Global Satellite
Network, 90 minutes

Aug. 27-Sept. 2, Christopher Cross In Concert, Star Trak Profiles, Westwood One, one hour.

Aug. 27-Sept. 2, Lee Greenwood, The Ralph Emery Show, The Musicworks, five hours.

Aug. 27-Sept. 2, Rush, Off The Record Special, Westwood One, one hour.

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Julio Iglesias & Diana Ross, Columbia 38-04507 (Elettra/Ewald Corp., ASCAP/Dyad/Braintree, BMI)
SAD SONGS (SAY SO MUCH)
Elton John, Geffen 7-29292 (Warner Bros.) (Intersong, ASCAP)
IF EVER YOU'RE IN MY ARMS AGAIN
Peabo Bryson, Elektra 7-69728 (Almo/Prince Street, ASCAP/Snow/Dyad, BMI) 4 8 3 12 2 5 5 15 HOLD ME
Teddy Pendergrass And Whitney Houston, Asylum 7-69720 (Elektra)
(Prince St./Almo, ASCAP/DeCreed/Music Corporation Of America, BMI) (Prince St./Almo, ASCAP/DeCreed/Music Corporation Of America, BMI I CAN DREAM ABOUT YOU Dan Hartman, MCA 52378 (Multi-Level, BMI) WHAT'S LOVE GOT TO DO WITH IT Tina Turner, Capitol 5334 (Chappell/Irving/Good Single, ASCAP/BMI) GHOSTBUSTERS — GHOSTBUSTERS — GHOSTBUSTERS — GHOSTBUSTERS — Turner, Capitol 5334 (Chappell/Irving/Good Single, ASCAP/BMI) GHOSTBUSTERS — GHOSTBUSTERS — GHOSTBUSTERS — GHOSTBUSTERS — Turner, Capitol Single, ASCAP/BMI) TURN AROUND TURN AROUND ASCAP/Carole Bayer Sager, BMI) TAKING IT ALL TOO HARD GENESIS, Atlantic 7-89656 (Pun/Warner Bros., ASCAP) IF THIS IS IT 13 8 10 10 6 9 12 10 11 Genesis, Atlantic 7-03000 (1997) (199 12 13 Huey Lewis And The trong, Support of the DRIVE The Cars, Elektra 7-69706 (Ric Ocasek/Lido, ASCAP) 17 13) Sergio Mendes, A&M 2639 (Snow, BMI/T. Mac, PRS/Bibo/Welk/Welbeck, ASCAP) 8 14 14 HARD HABIT TO BREAK
Chicago, Full Moon/Warner Bros. 7-29214 (MCA, ASCAP)
MISSING YOU
John Waite, EMI-America 8212 (Hudson
Bay/Paperwaite/Fullwater/Markmeem, ASCAP/BMI)
SOMETHING SAID LOVE
RIta Coolidge, A&M 2634 (Warner-Tamerlane/Writers House/Fifty Grand, RMI) 15 22 3 27 3 16 18 17 STRAIGHT FROM THE HEART (INTO YOUR LIFE)
Covote Sisters, Morocco 1742 (Motown) (Welk/It Rains/Middlefield, BMI) 18 19 6 SECOND CHANCE 19 14 SECOND GRAND
Paul Anka, Columbia 38-04407 (Squwenny, ASCAP)
I JUST CALLED TO SAY I LOVE YOU
Stevie Wonder, Motown 1745 (Jobete/Black Bull, ASCAP)
JUMP (FOR MY LOVE)
Pointer Sisters, Planet 13780 (RCA) (Welbeck/Stephen
Mitchell/Anidraks/Porchester, ASCAP)
ALMOST PARADISE...LOVE THEME FROM FOOTLOOSE
Mike Reno And Ann Wilson, Columbia 38-04418 (Ensign, BMI) Anka, Columbia 38-04407 (Squwanko/Foster Frees, BMI/Genevieve, 20 30 16 12 21 22 20 Mike Reno And Alm Wilson, Columbia SOMEBODY'S EYES Karla Bonoff, Columbia 38-04472 (Ensign, BMI) 23 26 KATIA BONDII, COIGINA S SEXY GIRL Glenn Frey, MCA 52413 (Night River/Red Cloud, ASCAP) 25 25 21 SIMPLE Johnny Mathis, Columbia 38-04468 (Blackwood, BMI/April, ASCAP) A CHANCE FOR HEAVEN A CHANCE FOR HEAVEN
Christopher Cross, Columbia 38-04492 (New Hidden Valley/Another Page, ASCAP/Carole Bayer Sager, BMI)
SHE LOVES ME (THE BEST THAT I CAN BE)
James Ingram, Owest 7-29235 (Warner Bros.) (WB/Nearytunes, ASCAP/Warner-Tamerlane/Nearysong, BMI)
YOU WERE MADE FOR ME
Irene Cara, Geffen/Network 7-29257 (Warner Bros.) (Carub/AlCor, ASCAP) 26 23 10 27 28 28 33 THEME FROM ST. ELSEWHERE
Dave Grusin, GRP 3005 (Minsey/Roaring Fork, BMI)
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THE LUCKY ONE
Laura Branigan, Atlantic 7-89636 (Roliram/Lorimar,BMI)
L.A. IS MY LADY
Frank Sinatra, QWest 7-29223 (Warner Bros.) (Frank
Sinatra/Threesome/YellowBrick Road, ASCAP) 39 34 37 35 Sinatra/Threesome/YellowBrick Road, ASCAP)
HEAVEN SENT YOU
Stanley Clarke, Epic 34-04485 (Pure Love,ASCAP/Lakeva,BMI)
ONLY WHEN YOU LEAVE
Spandau Ballet, Chrysalis 4-42792 (Reformation, ASCAP)
CITY OF NEW ORLEANS
Willie Nelson, Columbia 38-04568 (Buddah/Turnpike Tom, ASCAP)
RIGHT BY YOUR SIDE
Eurythmics, RCA 13695 (Blue Network, ASCAP)
IN THE NAME OF LOVE
Ralph MacDonald With Bill Withers, Polydor 881221-7 (PolyGram)
THERE GOES MY BABY 36 2 38 2 37 2 38 40 39 NEW ENTRY HEW ENTRY 40 Raiph MacDonald With Bill Witners, Polydor 881221-7 (Folydiaili) THERE GOES MY BABY Donna Summer, Geffen 7-29291 (Warner Bros.) (Unichappell/Jot, BMI) 41 HEW I A LITTLE LOVE Juice Newton, RCA 13823 (Cement Chicken, ASCAP) 42 29 43 41 18 BELIEVE IN ME EVE IN ME Fogelberg, Full Moon/Epic 34-04447 (Hickory Grove/April, ASCAP) Use the properties of the property of the prop 44 34 2 46 45 19 46 42 45 43 6 49 50 48 19 LET'S HEAR IT FOR THE BOY
Deniece Williams, Columbia 38-04417 (Ensign, BMI)

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# **Pro-Motions**

Station: Z-100 (WBIZ) Eau Claire, Wisc. (contemporary) Contact: Tom Allen.

promotion coordinator Concept: I Ate It For Weird Al

Execution: In conjunction with "Weird Al" Yankovic's appearance at the Northern Wisconsin State Fair, Z-100 conducted a contest, with listeners asked to enter a random drawing. The 10 contestants selected were challenged to eat everything in Weird Al's song "Eat It" in the shortest time possible.

Held at a local nightspot and client, The Trader & Trapper, the great eat-off, to which listeners were invited, paid off in prizes which greatly surpassed the feat. The first place eater was awarded round trip air transportation for two from Eau Claire to Chippewa Falls (that's 10 big miles, folks); a chauffeured trip to the fairgrounds, where they were treated to an elegant "Corn Dog Dinner"; an introduction to Weird Al, and the honor of introducing his afternoon performance

But wait, there's more: The truly memorable prize also included a ginsu knife (no lie, folks), the Popeil Pocket Fisherman, an introductory accordion lesson and a one-way bus ticket for one to anywhere in Wisconsin served by Greyhound Lines.

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Station: WLS-AM-FM Chicago (contemporary) Contact: Mowani Carter

Concept: Larry Lujack Memorial **Golf Classic** 

Execution: Lujack's relationship with golf is legendary. It's rumored he's a year-round golfer, playing in Chicago's snow with the use of fluorescent orange golf balls. Therefore it's no surprise that he hosted the "Second Annual Larry Lujack Memorial Golf Classic," sponsored by Kronenbourg Beer. (It's also ru-mored that it's best to drink when playing with Larry.)

Listeners were asked to write and tell Larry in 25 words or less why they felt they were good enough to play in his tournament. Twenty-five classic entries were selected, and the winners and their guests joined Larry for a day of golf at the Lincolnshire Country Club. In addition to the free beer, soft drinks and food served on the course, contests were scheduled at different holes on the course. Winners received a variety of prizes, including a trip for two to the Caribbean. Wrapping up the memorable event was a barbecue-style buffet dinner and an awards presentation hosted by Lujack.

Station: WRIF Detroit (AOR) Contact: Julie Finkel Concept: Nude Photo Scandal

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Execution: Ever since America got a shot at seeing all of Miss America, the topic has cropped up on morning shows across the country, and so it is that Detroit's WRIF staged a promotional event which created its own

Exclusive nude photos with WRIF morning crew personality Jim Johnson were printed in the Aug. 2 issue of Detroit's Metro Entertainment Scene. The photos were said to have been taken by Johnson's on-air partner, George "Dick The Bruiser" Baier, who claims Johnson signed a release. Bruiser further contends, "I think Johnson should be forced to resign. I'm not the one with my clothes off; I just took the pictures.

As you can guess, Johnson is equally clothed, the nudes being statues (near as we can tell) of two females in the buff (then again, the pictures are so poor, we may be looking

at inflatable plastic women). However, the station and newspaper played it up to the hilt. Seen on the cover of the weekly were the words, "Inside: Exclusive Nude Photos with Jim Johnson. \* \*

Station: WELI New Haven (AC) Contact: Stuart Saginor Concept: Grocery Grab

Execution: Reminiscent of the old tv game show, "Supermarket Sweep," WELI, in an attempt to build cume and lure a new client, came up with the "WELI/Pathmark Great Gro-cery Sweepstakes." Game cards were printed up with the rules on the reverse side and a caricature of the morning team on the front. Additionally, the name of one of the morning personalities (there are six) was print ed in bold (as were the call letters and other info).

A total of 200,000 cards were distributed in the contest's run, and each morning at 7:45, the name of one of the morning team was announced, as well as a designated caller. Listeners holding a card bearing that personality's name who were the correct callers won Pathmark grocery gift certificates.

At the end of the run, each daily winner was eligible for a drawing at which four grand prize finalists were selected. The four who responded to hearing their names on the morning show during the drawing participated in the supermarket sweep, broadcast live on WELI. Each had 96 seconds to gather groceries. The finalist whose cash register total was highest won the items collected.

ROLLYE BORNSTEIN

# **Featured Programming**

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director/marketing and promotion for CBS Radio Network is Suzanne Sack, while Ann Langtry is upped to manager/marketing and promotion. \* \* \*

Torbet signs WMNI/WRMZ Columbus, Ohio and KSMA/KSNI Santa Maria, Calif. ... Julio Rumbaut, the former VP/GM of Miami's WSUA and a one-time station manager of WQBA-AM-FM there, has been named the president of a newly created division of John Blair & Co., which is in the process of acquiring Channel 51 (WKID) there. Originally signed on in northern Broward county in the late '60s, the station reemerged as WKID on the grounds of Dania's Pirates World Amusement Park, programmed for "kids." Later, sold in blocks, the station was responsible for some of the more hilarious programming ever broadcast, including an all-night movie segment sponsored by a chain of adult

If you don't have a chance to listen to "The Music Of Your Life," then you may wish to read about it, and that's what thousands of people coast to coast have been doing. The fan magazine, mailed quarterly to listeners who sign up as "Music Of Your Life" card members through participating stations, is utilized by 560 of Al Ham's 160 client stations, who each get eight local pages for news and activities, in addition to the 16 national pages. Joint ventured by Ham and Long Island-based Belwin-Mills Publishing, it's a great promotional tool read by more than 400,000 listeners. For more info, contact Jay Leipzig at (516) 293-3411.

ROLLYE BORNSTEIN

# Billboard & Rock Albums & Top Tracks

Survey for Week Ending 8/25/84

		1	Rock Albums				Top Tracks
This	Last Week	Weeks On Chart	ARTIST—Title, Label	This	Last	Weeks On Chart	ARTIST—Title, Label
1	)1	25	THE CARS-Heartbeat City, Elektra  WEEKS AT #1 15	1	2	10	JOHN WAITE-Missing You, EMI-America WEEKS
2	2	10	SCANDAL-Warrior, Columbia	2	1	10	SCANDAL-The Warrior, Columbia
3	4	9	JOHN WAITE-No Brakes, EMI-America	3	3	13	BILLY SQUIER-Rock Me Tonite, Capitol
4	5	14	BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN—Born In The U.S.A., Columbia	5	7	5	THE CARS-Drive, Elektra HUEY LEWIS AND THE NEWS-If This Is It,
5	3	8	BILLY SQUIER-Signs Of Life, Capitol				Chrysalis
6	6	49	HUEY LEWIS AND THE NEWS—Sports, Chrysalis	6 7	5 6	7 10	SAMMY HAGAR-Two Sides Of Love, Geffen BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN-Cover Me, Columbia
7	7	4	SAMMY HAGAR-V.O.A., Geffen	8	8	8	NIGHT RANGER-When You Close Your Eyes,
8	8	18	RATT-Out Of The Cellar, Atlantic	9	10	4.1	MCA
9	9	43	NIGHT RANGER-Midnight Madness, MCA PETER WOLF-Lights Out, EMI/America	9	10	11	TWISTED SISTER—We're Not Gonna Take It, Atlantic
11	11	10	TWISTED SISTER-Stay Hungry, Atlantic	10	12	5	LINDSEY BUCKINGHAM-Go Insane, Elektra
12	10	16	JEFFERSON STARSHIP—Nuclear Furniture, Grunt	11 12	9	7	PETER WOLF-Lights Out, EMI-America THE FIXX-Are We Ourselves? MCA
13	19	3	LINDSEY BUCKINGHAM—Go Insane, Elektra	13	18	4	A FLOCK OF SEAGULLS—The More You Live.
14	22	3	STEPHEN STILLS-Right By You, Atlantic				The More You Love, Arista
15	13	3	HONEYMOON SUITE—Honeymoon Suite, Warner Bros.	14	16	11	DIO—The Last In Line, Warner Bros.  JEFFERSON STARSHIP—Laying It On The Line.
16	16	11	ELTON JOHN-Breaking Hearts, Geffen	13	111		Grunt
17	15	7	DIO-The Last In Line, Warner Bros.	16	25	5	HONEYMOON SUITE—New Girl Now, Warner Bros.
18	14	8	BOX OF FROGS-Box Of Frogs, Epic	17	15	9	BOX OF FROGS-Back Where I Started, Epic
19	17	7	GLENN FREY-The Allnighter, MCA	18	14	3	BILLY SQUIER-All Night Long, Capitol
20	18	8 2	QUIET RIOT-Condition Critical, Pasha THE FIXX-Phantoms, MCA	19	23	3	STEPHEN STILLS-Stranger, Atlantic
22	23	10	COREY HART-First Offense, EMI-America	20	13	18	RATT-Round And Round, Atlantic
23	24	15	WHITESNAKE-Slide It In, Geffen	21	24 22	3 5	SAMMY HAGAR-Can't Drive '55, Geffen ELTON JOHN-Restless, Geffen
24	48	3	A FLOCK OF SEAGULLS—The Story Of A Young Heart, Arista	23	21	10	COREY HART-Sunglasses At Night, EMI-
25	45	2	SOUNTRACK-Metropolis, Columbia		00	_	America
26	35	16	BILLY IDOL-Rebel Yell, Chrysalis	24	30	5	GLENN FREY-Smuggler's Blues, MCA PRINCE AND THE REVOLUTION-Let's Go
27	21	10	PRINCE-Purple Rain, Warner Bros.	23			Crazy, Warner Bros.
28	33	5	LOU REED-New Sensations, RCA CYNDI LAUPER-She's So Unusual, Portrait	26	37	2	KROKUS-Midnight Maniac, Arista
30	41	2	KROKUS-The Blitz, Arista	27	27 28	5 4	RATT-Back For More, Atlantic  QUIET RIOT-Sign Of The Times, Pasha
31	37	3	HELIX-Walking The Razor's Edge, Capitol	29	45	2	JON ANDERSON—Cage Of Freedom, Columbia
32	25	11	STEVIE RAY VAUGHAN-Couldn't Stand The Weather, Epic	30	29	5	STEVIE RAY VAUGHAN-Cold Shot, Epic
33	20	21	STEVE PERRY-Street Talk, Columbia	31	43	4	LOU REED-I Love You Suzanne, RCA
34	32	13	ROD STEWART-Camouflage, Warner Bros.	32	49 38	2	BILLY IDOL-Flesh For Fantasy, Chrysalis CYNDI LAUPER-She Bop, Portrait
35	43	3	ROMEO VOID-Instincts, Columbia	34	36	4	HELIX-Rock You, Capitol
36	31	5	FASTWAY-All Fired Up, Columbia R.E.MReckoning, I.R.S.	35	26	13	WHITESNAKE-Slow And Easy, Geffen
38	28	26	SCORPIONS—Love At First Sting, Mercury	36	31	14	BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN—Dancing In The Dark, Columbia
39	30	5	ADRENALIN-American Heart, Rocshire	37	33	3	Y&T-Don't Stop Running, RCA
40	42	8	ELVIS COSTELLO AND THE ATTRACTIONS— Goodbye Cruel World, Columbia	38	53	3	ROMEO VOID-A Girl In Trouble, Columbia
41	40	5	INXS-The Swing, Atco	39.	39	11	BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN-No Surrender, Columbia
42	29	11	CHRIS DEBURGH-Man On The Line, A&M	40	40	11	PRINCE—When Doves Cry, Warner Bros.
43	27	33	VAN HALEN-1984, Warner Bros.	41	NEW E	TRY	WHITESNAKE-Love Ain't No Stranger, Geffen
44	47 36	3	SPANDAU BALLET—Parade, Chrysalis BILLY SATELLITE—Billy Satellite, Capitol	42	56	2.	PETER WOLF-Crazy, EMI-America
46	38	5	LITA FORD—Dancin' On The Edge, Mercury	43	46 50	10	BILLY SATELLITE—Satisfy Me, Capitol ELVIS COSTELLO AND THE ATTRACTIONS—
47	50	10	TINA TURNER-Private Dancer, Capitol		50	) (I	The Only Flame in Town, Columbia
48	49	2	BANGLES-All Over The Place, Columbia	45	32	5	ADRENALIN-Faraway Eyes, Rocshire
49	46	3	SOUTHSIDE JOHNNY AND THE JUKES-In The Heat, Mirage	46 47	34	14	ROD STEWART-Infatuation, Atlantic STEVE PERRY-She's Mine, Columbia
50	44	16	SOUNDTRACK-Streets Of Fire, MCA	48	41	8	FASTWAY—Tell Me, Columbia
			Top Adds	49	48	4	SPANDAU BALLET-Only When You Leave,
1	WHI	TESNA	KKE-Slide It In, Geffen	50	58	2	Chrysalis CHEOUERED PAST—How Much Is Too Much?
2	BRU	CE CO	CKBURN-Lovers In A Dangerous Time, Gold				EMI-America
			(12 Inch)	51 52	NEW EN	9	JOHN WAITE-Tears, EMI/America
3	KAN	SAS-F	Perfect Lover, CBS Associated (12 Inch)	52	42		SCORPIONS-I'm Still Loving You, Mercury INXS-I Send A Message, Atlantic
4			FERTY AND THE BEAVER BROWN BAND-On	54	52	4	LITA FORD-Gotta Let Go, Mercury
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# Distribs Ask Chains For Space

#### Indies Sound Call For 'Depth' At New Music Seminar

By FRED GOODMAN

NEW YORK—Independent distributors took advantage of the recent New Music Seminar here to lobby for greater bin space with some of the country's largest retail chains.

A panel simply dubbed "Retail & Distribution," held Aug. 7 as part of the Seminar at the Hilton Hotel, matched indie distributors with retailers for a discussion dominated by the issue of chain acceptance for indie product.

"Large chains must carry more depth," declared Howard Rumack, president of the New York-based Sunshine Distributing. Noting that retailers have frequently broken records that don't fit the mold of radio, he observed, "Aggressive retailers forced radio to get on 'Rappers Delight.'"

Retailers said that while they have an earnest commitment to indie product, they have to make some hard choices in terms of space and dollars. The onus, they said, is on manufacturers and distributors to prove that they are serious.

"A lot of our appeal when we started was that we pushed young, developing artists," said Daryl Sherman of the Maryland-based Kemp Mill chain. "Today there are fewer indie labels around, and we're going to get the Bruce Springsteen fan plus those aficionados. What's different for us now is that we still take a lot of product early but try to determine who's serious about promotion."

On the distributor side, John Salstone of M.S. Distributing of Chicago agreed that "it's never been tougher out there" and that there are "no gimmies." But he hastened to add that there is another side to the issue.

"Prior to their consolidation of the last few years, branches had allowed 100% returns," Salstone said. "We still sell at 100% returns. Without the indies, the branches will cut everything. We want to allow competition and let retailers run their own business."

In response to a suggestion that national chains can lose their feel for regional records, Barrie Bergman, chairman of the North Carolinabased Record Bar chain, asserted that "a chain can grow infinitely and still react on a local basis," He added that store managers within the chain are frequently the ones who fuel Record Bar's interest in a new release.

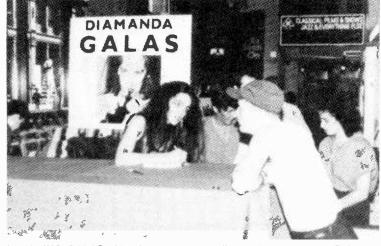
With distributors agreeing that they do need retail cooperation in order to break a record—Billy Emerson of Texas' Big State Distributing credited club and in-store exposure with moving 15,000 albums by Fantasy group Shock in his region—the panel also sought to find new ways to start records through retailers.

"We feel that we can start a record in our market," said Morris Levy, speaking as head of the New England Strawberries chain. Emphasizing the importance of in-store play, Levy noted that five of the chain's outlets employ in-store DJs.

With retailers urging distributors to concentrate on product they're serious about, distributors took the opportunity to pass that message on to

labels.
"You've got to have money to bring home a record," said Big State's Emerson. "I can't front the pressing on all these records. In the '50s and '60s, if you had an r&b record you took it to Stax or Motown, but now everybody wants to have a label.

"It takes money to have a record, and it takes more money to have a hit record," Emerson added. "It's a sin to lose a hit because you can't afford i. "



BREAKING GALAS—Metalanguage recording artist Diamanda Galas recently stopped by Tower Records in New York to sign copies of her most recent album, "Panoptikon." The vocalist offered to sign purchases in blood, but reportedly had no takers once customers found out it had to be their blood.

#### PACIFIC ARTS, WHEREHOUSE INVOLVED

# Winning Push For Olympic Video

By JACK McDONOUGH

SAN FRANCISCO — The Olympics sparked many promotions in the Los Angeles area. And one of the largest cross-promotions, involving 70 Wherehouse units, 92 Millers Outposts stores, radio station KHTZ and Pacific Arts Video Records, came off smoothly. In fact, Pacific Arts, based here, heralds the promotion as proof that record/tape chains are enlivening home video.

"While radio and retail cross-promotions have been common, this promotion marks the early stages of such aggressive merchandising activity in home video," says David Bean, president of Pacific Arts. Bean credits the marketing and promotion firm Livewire Entertainment with refining the campaign and holding all the elements together.

Pacific Arts Video Records and its

distributor MCA capitalized on Olympic fever with a multiple-gun campaign July 2-13 on behalf of "Dreams Of Gold," a 55-minute piece available in VHS and Beta that portrays American Olympic hopefuls competing in Colorado in qualifying events for the 1984 games.

The campaign, instigated by MCA's Barbara Berger, orchestrated manufacturer Levi's, clothing chain retailer Millers Outpost, Wherehouse and KHTZ in a sweepstakes-style contest. Contestants dropped forms into ballot boxes, located throughout the L.A. area, in hopes of winning the grand prize of a \$2,000 Olympic wardrobe from Levis, with 17 runners-up getting copies of "Dreams Of Gold."

In the campaign, Wherehouse stores provided ballot boxes and instore display of "Dreams Of Gold" graphics, while Millers Outposts also provided boxes and displayed video footage on in-store monitors. Wherehouse sold the tape during the 11 days at a discounted \$23.99.

KHTZ, as the hub of the promotional wheel, ran a heavy schedule of spots heralding the contest, with air personality Charlie Tuna picking the winner on his July 13 program. In a pleasant turn of serendipity, winner Karl Weingartner turned out to have been one the L.A..-area Olympic torchbearers earlier in the week.

"Dreams Of Gold," with an original score by Ken Nordine, is described by Bean as having "visual special effects set to stunning electronic music." It is one of a projected 35 catalog titles due by year's end, with Pacific Arts now in an expansion that saw the opening of a Los Angeles office last week. New offices in London and Sydney are ready to handle new distribution agreements in Great Britain and Australia.



# **How Buyers Learn About Records**

By MIKE SHALETT

How does a consumer find out about the records he buys? Knowing the answer to that particular question would go a long way toward making marketing dollars more efficient. And helping you to sell more product while using fewer dollars is one of the primary aims of this column.

In each survey our respondents are asked: "How do you find out about the records you buy?" They are offered seven different stimuli and are allowed to check more than one. The seven choices are: radio, MTV, television, newspaper, browsing in a record store, dance clubs and friends. They are also offered an "other" answer, where they may write in any other way that they find out about product.

Not surprisingly, consumers cite radio as the most popular way to find out about the records they purchase, with more than 75% saying radio stimulates their buying habits. Browsing and word-of-mouth are about even as a second method, both scoring roughly 50%. The least effective way of reaching record buyers is through newspapers. Only 7.4% of the respondents in our most recent survey said they found out about records that way.

We separated out all the individ-

"On Target" is a bi-weekly feature to help readers understand more about consumer buying habits and trends. The column is based on retail research conducted by the Street Pulse Group, a New York-based music industry marketing consultancy of which Mike Shalett is president.

For its primary retail survey technique, Street Pulse distributes packets containing questionnaires and product to 50 retail stores around the country. A packet is handed out randomly to a consumer immediately after he or she has paid for a purchase, and a \$2 coupon, good for the consumer's next purchase at the store, is the motivation for completing the questionnaire. The average survey incorporates over 700 respondents, a sample equal to those used by Gallup or Roper in their polls on political issues.

uals who had checked a particular stimulus and then compared the results from each. These proved to be very enlightening.

Males are more likely to be affected by newspapers, clubs and browsing than our average respondent. They accounted for 72% of the record buyers who mentioned print as a stimulus. Women are more apt to be reached through tv than our average.

Just as a reminder, our current consumer breakdown is 60 male/40 female.

In age breakdowns, very young record buyers are strongly affected by MTV and television in general. As the consumer begins to climb through his teens, the effect of radio climbs. The 16- to 18-year-old will browse through a record store, and will converse with friends about particular purchases. He will buy on the word of a peer.

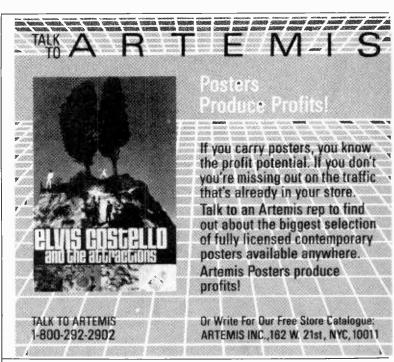
The percentage of record buyers who use newspaper as a stimulus increases with age. MTV also shows an increase. And, for the first time, dance clubs are proving to be an effective way to find out about product.

The 19- to 24-year-old record buyer is a strong radio follower. The MTV viewership is still strong, and dance clubs hit their peak with this age group. Word-of-mouth is also at its peak, as is browsing. As the buyer slides into the 25-30 demographic, most stimuli hold steady or decrease slightly; tv is not effective here, and radio follows its survey average.

New wave/new music is the musical favorite with those individuals who cite radio as a way of finding out about records. This is not surprising in light of the fact that new music has

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# New LP/Tape Releases

This listing of new LP/Tape releases is designed to enable retailers and radio programmers to be up-to-the minute on available new product. The following configuration abbreviations are used: LP—album; EP—extended play; CD—Compact Disc; CA—cassette; 8T—8-track cartridge; NA—price not available. Multiple records and/or tapes in a set appear within parentheses following the manufacturer number.

#### **POPULAR ARTISTS**

BALLEY, RAZZY Greatest Hits LP RCA AYL1-5111 \$5.98 CA AYK1-5111 \$5.98	
BLACKSHEEP Gathering LP Majidi Records L&F1001 (Ras) NA CA L&FC1001 NA	
BRADDOCK, BOBBY Hardpore Cornography EP RCA MHL1-8524 \$6.98 CA MHK1-8524 \$6.98	
BROOM, BOBBY Livin' for the Beat LP Arista AL8-8253 \$8.98 CA ALC8-8253 \$8.98	

DAKOTA Runaway LP MCA MCA-5502 NA CA MCAC-5502 NA
FALCONER, ROD Rules of Attraction LP MCA MCA39016 NA CA MCAC-39016 NA
FOXTON, BRUCE Touch Sensitive LP Arista AL8-8255 \$8.98 CA ALC8-8255 \$8.98
GARY O' Strange Behavior LP RCA AFL1-5304 \$8.98 CA AFK1-5304 \$8.98
HALL & OATES Big Bam Boom LP RCA AJL 1-5309 \$9.98 CA AJK1-5309 \$9.98
HALL, RANDY I Belong to You LP MCA MCA-5504 NA CA MCAC-5504 NA
KANTER, HILLARY  Crazy In Love EP RCA MHL1-8521 \$5.98 CA MHK1-8521 \$5.98
OKOSUNS, SONNY Which Way Nigeria LP Jive/Afrika JL8-8247.

(Arista). CA JLC8-8247	 \$8 \$8	98
RAISE THE DRAGON Deliverance		
EP I.R.S.	 \$5 \$5	98
ROBINSON, BAXTER Vanishing Point Two LP RCA NFL 1-8039		
LP RCA NFL1-8039 CA NFK1-8039	 \$6 \$6	98
ROSS, DIANA Swept Away LP RCA AFL1-5009	\$8.	98
CA AFK1-5009	 \$8.	98
Special Effects LP Megatone M-1007		NΑ
TORCH SONG Wish Thing		
LP I.R.S.		

VARIOUS ARTISTS           The Best of the 80'sSo Far           LP RCA AHL 1-5058         \$8.98           CA AHK1-5058         \$8.98
VARIOUS ARTISTS           Gabriela Soundtrack           LP RCA ABL 1 5 186         \$9.98           CA ABK 1 5 186         \$9.98
REVENGE OF THE NERDS SOUNDTRACK LP Scotti Brothers BFZ 39599 (CBS) no list CA BZT 39599
SAVAGE STREETS SOUNDTRACK LP MCA MCA 6134 \$8.98 CA MCAC 6134 \$8.98
TOP SECRET SOUNDTRACK LP Passport PB 3603 \$8.98 CA PBC 3603 \$8.98

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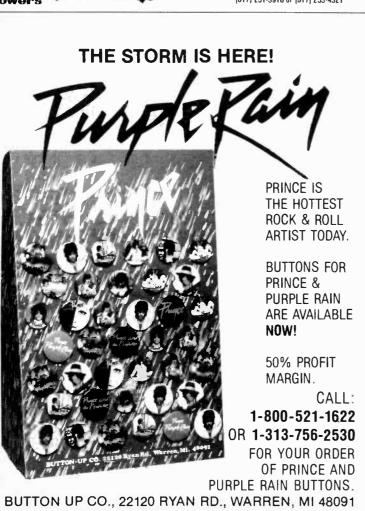
FRICKE, JANIE The First Word In Memory
LP Columbia FC 39338 (CBS)no list
CA FCT 39338no list

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2	3	55	THE WHO	1971	IIIOA	3.30	27	30	17	Arista ABM 8061 RUSH	1974	RCA	5.98
3	2	113	Who's Next MCA 37217 BILLY JOEL	1974	MCA	5.98	28	24	13	Rush Mercury SRM1-1011 MARVIN GAYE	1983	POL	5.98
			Piano Man Columbia PE 32544		CBS		20	24	13	Superstar Series Vol. XV Motown M5-115	1303	MCA	5.98
4	5	53	ELTON JOHN Elton John's Greatest Hits Vol.II	1977			29	33	81	SPYRO GYRA Morning Dance	1979	MO.	5.98
5	4	111	DAVID BOWIE	1972	MCA	5.98	30	31	57	Judas Priest Sin After Sin	1977	MCA	3.98
			The Rise And Fall Of Zigg Stardust RCA AYL1-3843	4	RCA	5.98	31	35	13	Columbia PC-34787 STEPPENWOLF	1973	CBS	
6	6	47	AEROSMITH Greatest Hits	1980			32	32	45	16 Greatest Hits MCA 37049  AEROSMITH	1975	MCA	5.98
7	8	61	STEELY DAN Aja	1977	CBS		J.	JZ.		Toys In The Attic	1373	CBS	
8	7	97	JOE JACKSON	1979	MCA	5.98	33	37	77	BOZ SCAGGS Hits Columbia PC-36841	1980	CBS	
9	10	43	Look Sharp! A&M 3187  RICK SPRINGFIELD	1982	RCA	5.98	34	27	17	MICHAEL JACKSON The Best Of	1975		
	10	40	Success Hasn't Spoiled Me Yet				35	29	109	Motown M5-194  DAN FOGELBERG	1974	MCA	5.98
10	12	95	RCA AYL1-4767  DON McLEAN  American Pie	1971	RCA	5.98	36	36	43	Souvenirs Epic PE 33137 JUDAS PRIEST	1983	CBS	
11	14	105	United Artists LN 10037 THE WHO	1978	CAP	5.98			45	The Sad Wing Of Destiny	1363	RCA	5.98
12	15	53	Who Are You MCA 37003 LYNYRD SKYNRD	1973	MCA	5.98	37	38	13	SCORPIONS Virgin Killer RCA AYL1-3659	1977	RCA	5.98
12	15	55	Pronounced Leh-Nerd Ski-Nerd	19/3			38	41	13	PSYCHEDELIC FURS Talk Talk Talk	1981	ROA	3.30
13	11	95	MCA 37211 THE PRETENDERS Extended Play	1981	MCA	5.98	39	34	109	Columbia PC-37339  DAN FOGELBERG	1977	CBS	
14	16	103	Sire SIR 3563 THE WHO	1970	WEA	5.98	40	11	5	Netherlands Epic PE 34185	1076	CBS	
			Live At Leeds MCA 37000		MCA	5.98	40	44	5	JEFF BECK Wired Epic	1976	CBS	
15	9	17	MARVIN GAYE Greatest Hits Motown M5-191	1976	MCA	5.98	41	42	9	ELVIS COSTELLO Get Happy Columbia PC-36347	1980	CBS	
16	18	41	JIMMY BUFFETT Changes In Latitudes, Changes In Attitudes	1977			42	45	9	JIMMY BUFFET Livin' & Dying In 3/4 Time	1974	CBS	
17	13	21	JACKSON 5	1971	MCA	5.98	43	NE W	INTRY	QUINCY JONES	1981	MCA	
10	20	21	Greatest Hits Motown 5201 RUSH		MCA	5.98		4.5		The Dude A&M SP 3248		RCA	5.98
18	20	21	Fly By Night Mercury SRM1-1023	1975	POL	5.98	44	49	5	THE GUESS WHO The Best Of RCA	1971	RCA	5.98
19	21	75	ELVIS COSTELLO This Year's Model Columbia PC 35331	1978	CBS		45	40	21	LYNYRD SKYNRD	1977	NUM	5.30
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22	22	55	Mercury SRM1-1046 STEELY DAN	1980	POL	5.98	47	39	79		1975		
			Gaucho MCA 37220		MCA	5.98	48	NE W	ENTAY	Motown 5283	1971	MCA	5.98
23	17	17	MARVIN GAYE Let's Get It On Motown M5-192	1973	MCA	5.98				What's Going On Motown M5-339	13/1	MCA	5.98
24	26	13	STEELY DAN Can't Buy A Thrill	1972	MCA	5.98	49	46	13	Aladdin Sane	1973		E 0.0
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# California-Bound Record Shop Realigning Operations

This is the first of a two-part report on The Record Shop, one of the country's oldest record/tape chains, which is moving its administrative office to the West Coast from Minneapolis this



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been the most popular music preference in our recent surveys. Nearly 30% of those buyers who cite radio as a stimulus say that new music is their favorite. Hard rock is mentioned by 26.4% and soft rock by

Slightly more than 40% of the new wavers mention MTV as an avenue of exposure to new records. Also interesting is the fact that although the total for newspapers is low overall, many of those who read newspapers in order to find out about product are fans of new music. This group will also discover new tunes in clubs.

Hard rockers respond very favorably to MTV. While there is no effect here from newspapers or dance clubs, word-of-mouth and browsing score well. Targeted merchandising would work well here.

If you're looking to stimulate the soft rock buyer, television may be the answer. These particular buyers do not browse as much or talk about records as frequently with their friends. They definitely do not read newspapers to find out about records; they do, however, watch MTV.

In our next column we'll continue with a look at MTV viewers and the marketing stimuli which affect their buying habits. We'll also take a look at configuration and frequency of purchase, as well as magazine and television habits as they stack up against the way consumers find out about records.

COMING IN SEPTEMBER . . .

SAN FRANCISCO-After being headquartered in Minnesota for nearly three decades, the 25-unit Record Shop is realigning operations in response to its westward expansion. Chain president Mary Ann Levitt, who sets up shop here this month in suburban Sausalito along with other key executives, says that the chain will continue expansion in the Midwest, too, with key staff remaining in new Minneapolis quarters.

'We're probably the only major chain with so few units so far flung," says Levitt, whose father and uncle opened the initial Record Shop outlet in 1956. "It has been a problem. Vendors know of the relatively few stores in their particular regions, but often don't connect to the idea of a total

Levitt also acknowledges that Record Shop has always been in the shadow of Musicland, the nation's largest chain, which headquartered in Minneapolis.

Moving here will be about seven people, including controller Ron Stott, the accounting staff and Levitt's husband, Mort Gerber, Levitt, who spent 14 years with RCA in New York, says Gerber works in all areas and is "non-titled."

The buying and advertising staff remains in Minneapolis, where buyer Jeff Loudon and advertising director Joyce Quist will work out of a new 2,000 square foot warehouse in Edina, a Minneapolis suburb. "It really doesn't matter where we're headquartered," Levitt expains, "because we are mainly drop shipped by vendors."

Accessories and personal electronics, two major new merchandise categories, are stocked in Minneapolis, along with some peak season prerecorded product, Levitt adds.

Totally mall-oriented from the beginning, when Norman Levitt and Alan Garner opened in Southdale, one of the first major malls in Minneapolis, Record Shop will continue that focus. Noting that malls are continuing to expand and renovate existing locations, Levitt says that it's be-

come increasingly common to find two and even three record/tape stores in a single mall, in contrast to earlier restrictions on the number of competing tenants (Billboard, Aug.

"Most have two now, and we've been in two malls with three stores," she notes. "One we pulled out of, but another has a Wherehouse and a Musicland and it hasn't hurt volume at all. If anything, it has boosted volume.

While Record Shop grew in piecemeal fashion from mall to mall, the chain is now starting to cluster its outlets. Of four units opened since last fall, three were in Minneapolis, making five there now, and the other became the chain's third Phoenix

Levitt asserts that Record Shop's continuing expansion is directed at mountain and Midwestern states, despite the move to the West Coast. It was throughout the Midwest that Garner, who shared furniture business experience with Levitt's father. first expanded, moving to Des Moines in 1959. Units in Iowa, Nebraska and Wisconsin followed until

developer Uncle Alan "The worked with in the very beginning decided to build in Las Vegas," Levitt says. After that, there were stores in Salt Lake City and such remote markets as Flagstaff, Ariz.

Levitt traces the modern expansion of the chain from 1978, when Record Shop's Water Tower unit was opened in Chicago. She joined as chain president in 1980, after a wide range of experience at RCA-"everything from using my English degree to write liner notes in the beginning to traffic scheduling and all kinds of administrative posts.

In terms of expanding beyond prerecorded product, the chain's basic 1,600 square foot configuration must

still be accommodated. Levitt says personal stereo has been the most promising new item, though a price ceiling has been recognized at \$69.95: 'Hardware is still impulse with us: we can't go much higher."

The chain may try home video, but got stung back in 1981 when we tried rental in the Water Tower, Levitt says. Record Shop did dip intc video games, she notes, "and got out just in time. We also looked at computer software and decided it wasn't

Specialty emphasis, however, continues to be promising, and Levitt says she is inspired by the idea that today a chain can consider a second unit in a given mall. She cites Spec's Music in Miami's Mall at 163rd St., where fellow NARM committee member and chain president Ann Leiff boasts two units with distinct specialties.

Next: Purchasing and advertising.

# Now Playing. Computer Mad-ness: 'Spy Vs. Spy'

By FAYE ZUCKERMAN

A weekly column focusing on hardware and software developments in the home computer industry.

September will see the release of "Spy Vs. Spy," a computer software package based on the comic strip from Mad magazine. Developing and distributing the package is First Star Software, a New York company which is partly owned by Warner Communications Inc.'s Warner Software unit.

According to First Star's Richard Spitalny, the software firm obtained the rights as a result of its association Warner. "This is the first collaboration between our design team and Warner's properties," he adds. The communications conglomerate owns the magazine and has published a series of "Spy Vs. Spy" book

Spitalny says the package contains humorous elements. "The two characters, the White Spy and the Black Spy, play tricks on each other and oppose each other in competitive, humorous and dangerous situations," he notes. "To maintain the combative and ironic flavor of the cartoon strip, the software employs animated graphics."

Designer Mike Riedel is readying Commodore and Apple versions of the game, which is expected to sell for about \$30. Atari and IBM versions will be made available before the end of the year.

"Spy Vs. Spy" was developed more than 20 years ago by Antonio Prohias, formerly a political cartoonist in Cuba. The comic strip has been recognized as a favorite among male college students, and the software is expected to go after a similar audience.

The two spies in the cartoon series never speak. This has allowed "Spy Vs. Spy" to transcend language barriers and gain acceptance on a worldwide basis.

First Star Software's affiliation. with Warner has allowed it to secure many licensing arrangements that would ordinarily not have been made available to the small computer software firm. Earlier this year, Warner and First Star negotiated a deal with Exidy Inc., a privately held coin-op

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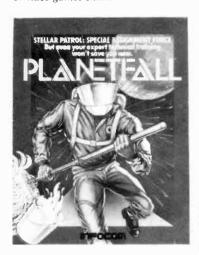


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# New On The Charts

A weekly feature spotlighting a new title on Billboard's computer software or video games chart.



#### PLANETFALL #20 Home Entertainment

Infocom's unique form of computer software, dubbed interactive fiction, is exemplified in this science fiction text adventure. The adventure commences through written commands between the user and the computer; at no time do graphics appear.

"That's why it's called interactive fiction," says a spokesman for the Massachusetts firm. "It's like interacting with a novel, taking control of each character's destiny. The user is left to visualize action."

According to Steve Meretzky, the author of "Planetfall," it's the player involvement and challenge that have brought this title success. He describes it as "a puzzle incorporating many of the rooms and objects found in other Infocom adventures."

In "Planetfall," the main character is an an Ensign Seventh Class who is marooned on what is believed to be a desolate planet. The only noticeable inhabitant is a robot named Floyd.

During game play, Floyd provides comic relief and an occasional hint to help the user get back on the right track. "Eventually," says Meretzky, "the user learns that the entire population of the planet is trapped in suspended animation. You (the user) must figure out how to awaken the inhabitants."

Infocom's products are said to contain a proprietary form of artificial intelligence that was developed by the company's founders. The 27-year-old Meretzky, an MIT graduate, was hired on at Infocom as a game tester a few years ago. He started designing "Planetfall" in September, 1982 and one year later saw the release of his game, described as a cross between "Suspended" and "Star Cross," two other titles from the firm.

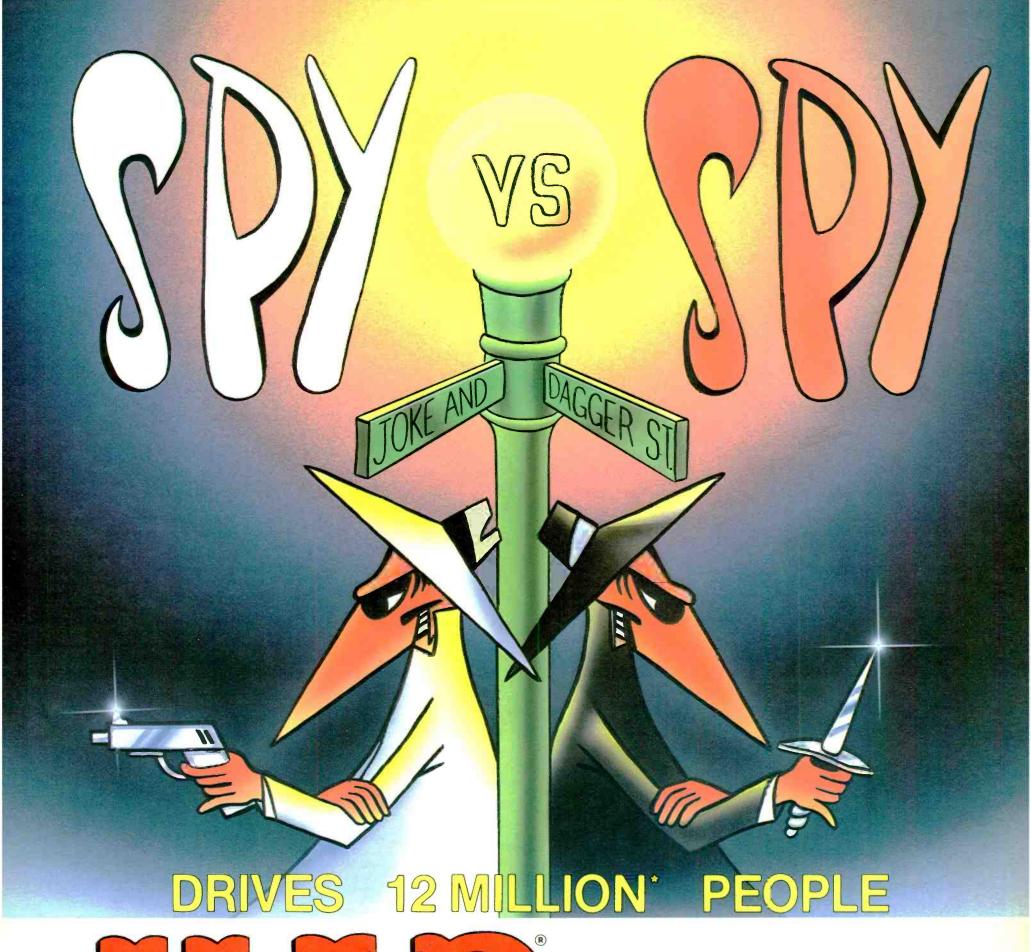
In two years, "Planetfall" has sold about 100,000 copies. It retails for \$40. Ages 14 to adult are the primary target audience for the game.

Part of the title's success rides on its innovative packaging, containing background reading and props pertaining to game action. Giardini/Russell, a Boston advertising firm, works with Infocom to put together its packaging.

Says Infocom's Marc Blank: "Sometimes the packaging takes longer to develop than the software. True, the packaging is an important marketing/sales tool, but we have made the information in the packages an integral part of the game. It sets the mood." FAYE ZUCKERMAN

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6	7	3	KOALA PAD TOUCH	Koala Technologies Corp.	Graphic generator for home computers		•	•	•	•			
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8	6	30	MATH BLASTER!	Davidson & Associates	Contains over 600 problems in addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, fractions and decimals for students age 6-12, with game at the end	•		•	•				
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# Now Playing

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arcade machine maker, under which Exidy will maufacture for and distribute to the coin-op industry First Star's "Boulder Dash," "Astro Chase," "Flip & Flop" and "Bristles."

Additionally, Micro Lab has entered into a \$1.3 million licensing agreement with First Star for distribution rights on "Boulder Dash" for Apple, Commodore and ColecoVision/Adam versions. It is believed to be the largest licensing agreement for the independent software publishers industry.

Cleaning products: A 17-year-old U.K. company, Automation Facilities Corp., has launched its first product in the U.S. pegged to the consumer market. The firm is known

in industrial circles for its computer

The new product, "Floppiclene," comes with aerosol cleaning solution, disk jacket, 20 cleaning disks and two anti-static screen wipes for monitors. The cleaning kit stands out, says a spokesman for the firm, because of its wet/dry" method. He explains that "Floppiclene" is one of the few care products that contains "no messy, wet-bottle applicators or dispensers,

For the \$100 million company to win acceptance in the U.S., the spokesman says, it plans to "play up" its industrial association. Floppiclene retails for \$34.95.

no presaturated container."

Accessories department: "It became evident to us that the effort required for continued marketing of going to distract us from our primary goal," says David S. Madent of Amiga Corp. Because of this, the Santa Clara, Calif. firm has sold the entire line to Pride Electronics of Salt Lake City for an unspecified amount.

And what is the company's "primary goal," as noted by Morse? It is to focus on the impending launch of the company's 16-bit computer, the Amiga. The computer is expected to be priced in the low thousands and compete with Apple, IBM, Commodore and Atari computer systems.

Morse notes: "While the Power-Stick line remains viable at retail and has made significant contributions to Amiga since its development and introduction, the conflicts in marketing and sales strategy were just too

# Video Music Programming

#### MTV Adds & Rotation

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Romeo Void, "A Girl In Trouble," Columbia
Rubber Rodeo, "The Hardest Thing," Mercury
Scritti Politi, "Wood Bees," Warner Bros.
Stephen Stills, "Stranger," Atlantic
Y&T, "Don't Stop Runnin'," A&M

#### HEAVY ROTATION (maximum 4 plays a day):

Bon Jovi, "She Don't Know Me," Mercury Lindsey Buckingham, "Go Insane," Elektra
John Cafferty & the Beaver Brown Band, "On The Dark Side," Scotti Bros.
Cars, "Drive," Elektra Cars, "Drive, Elektra
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Billy Squier, "Rock Me Tonight," Capitol
Rod Stewart, "Some Guys Have All The Luck," Warner Bros.
Tina Turner, "What's Love Got To Do With It," Capitol Twisted Sister, "We're Not Gonna Take It," Atlantic John Waite, "Missing You," EMI America Peter Wolf, "Lights Out," EMI America Yes, "It Can Happen," Atco

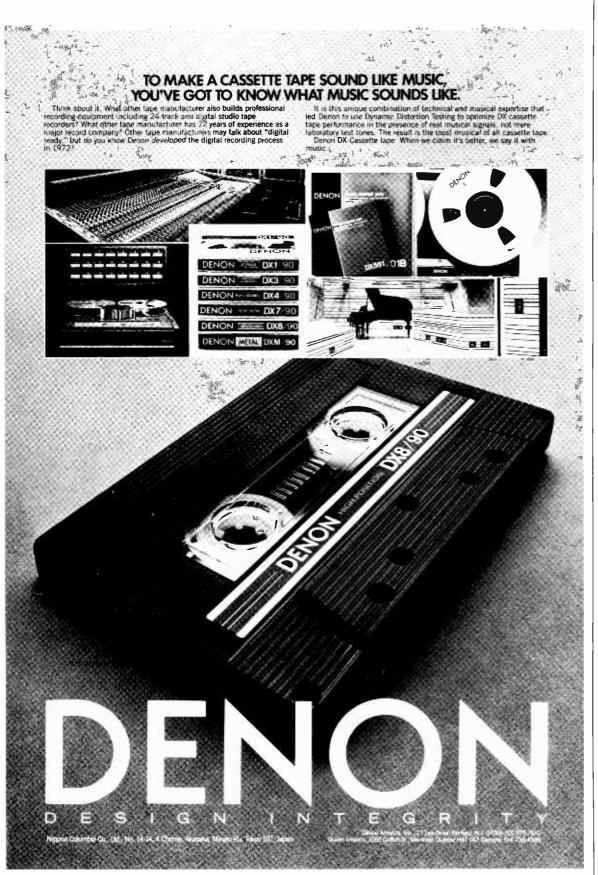
#### MEDIUM ROTATION (maximum 3 plays a day):

Bananarama, "Cruel Summer," London
Bangles, "Hero Takes A Fall," Columbia
Berlin, "Dancing In Berlin," Geffen
Box Of Frogs, "Back Where I Started," Epic
Bus Boys, "Cleaning Up The Town," Arista
Cars, "Hello Again," Elektra
Difford & Tilbrook, "Love's Crashing Waves," A&M
Ronnie Dio, "The Last In Line," Warner Bros.
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INXS, "I Send A Message," Atco
Ollie & Jerry, "There's No Stoppin' Us," Polydor Rail, "One-Two-Three-Four Rock," EMI America Ratt, "Back For More," Atlantic Lou Reed, "I Love You Suzanne," RCA Rush, "Body Electric," Mercury Rush, "Body Electric, Mercury
Billy Satellite, "Satisfy Me," Capitol
Frank Sinatra, "L.A. Is My Lady," Qwest/Warner Bros.
Spandau Ballet, "Only When You Leave," Chrysalis
Donna Summer, "There Goes My Baby," Geffen
Thompson Twins, "You Take Me Up," Arista

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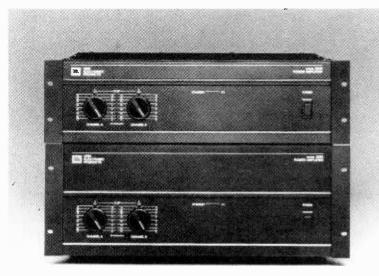
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Bruce Cockburn, "Lovers In A Dangerous Time," A&M
Rick Derringer, "I Play Guitar," Jem
Dragon, "Rain," Polydor
Echo & the Bunnymen, "Seven Seas," Sire
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# Studio Track

LOS ANGELES

Dave Mason is recording his first album in four years for the Dallas-based Marble label at The Complex. Mason and Ed Cherney are co-producing "Some Assembly Required," with assistance from Murray Dvorkin ... Sound Image reports the following projects: Producer/engineer Jackson Schwartz is working with Midwest rock group Saint for the Sound Image label, with assistant Steve Hug. Local act Legend is working with engineer Patrick von Weigandt. And producer/engineer Alex Dazanegras is cutting tracks for David Walter, with Hug assisting

Several artists are working at Skip Saylor. Gary Taylor is laying tracks for a single on his forthcoming A&M album. Skip Saylor is at the board, with Tom McCauley assisting. Producers Ron Rogers and Alex Moran are mixing metal group Rodan, with Saylor and McCauley

is the same slots. And Joe Garcia is cutting a single for Christa Records. Clifford Gynn and Howard Stewart are sharing production duties, with Saylor and McCauley sharing the

board. NASHVILLE

Michael Zager is producing several tracks for Australian artist Kamahl at House Of David. The forthcoming album will be available on Festival in Australia, Attic in Canada and C&R in Holland . . . At Sound Emporium, Patty Parker has just wrapped production on gospel artist Beth Owen's next release. She is currently working on two singles with country singer Dave Atwood there . . . Evergreen artist Narvel Felts is working on his next single at Disc Mastering Inc. Johnny Morris produced the single, which is being mastered by Randy Kling.

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# **Western Firms Looking To China**

Solid State Logic, Electro-Voice Tap Eastern Market

By STEVEN DUPLER

NEW YORK-As the People's Republic of China continues to ease trade restrictions and internal economic policies, some Western pro audio manufacturers are beginning to gain access to a virtually untapped potentially profitable marketplace.

One company, Solid State Logic Ltd., recently sold three of its highend recording consoles to China Records, the government-owned and operated label (Billboard, Aug. 11). That sale was followed up with a visit by Chinese audio engineers to Solid State Logic's U.K. headquarters, where they were instructed in the op-eration and maintenance procedures

Another manufacturer, Electro-Voice Inc., diverted two of its top officials to China while they were on a speaking tour of the Far East: Jim Long, director of marketing for pro sound reinforcement products, and Don Krajecki, director of export marketing.

Long presented day-long seminars while in China on two topics: speaker components and their applications in the U.S., and basic types of microphones. According to Long, over 350 Chinese performers, acousticians and sound professionals from all over the country attended the lectures. It was, he says, the largest audience on the Electro-Voice Asian tour, which included Taiwan, Singapore, Japan and

Long and Krajecki's visit to China was in part encouraged by the opening in April of an Electro-Voice service center in the Chinese city of Guangzhou (formerly Canton), which has a population of five million. The center, established in cooperation with the company's Hong Kong distributor and the Guangdong Provincial Performing Arts Co., sells

and services a full line of Electro-Voice pro sound gear.

"Even though pro sound activity is not new in the Far East, the actual use and application of pro sound equipment is not as prevalent as it is in the United States," says Long. "For this reason, the hands-on demonstrations and detailed examples of working installations were a popular part of our presentation."

Another Electro-Voice spokesman sees the purpose of the trip as heavily educational. "The Chinese have a vast interest in pro sound, but they are obviously not nearly as advanced technologically as we are. There is also not an enormous amount of prosound activity going on there at this point, but we are certain the market will continue to grow," he says.

In another development, Tandberg A.S., the Norwegian manufacturer of high-fidelity electonics and tape recorders, is cooperating with China to establish a factory in the city of Ningbo to produce Language Labs, single-user work stations which utilize audio equipment to aid students in learning foreign languages.

According to Tor Sivertsen, president of Tandberg of America, the Norwegian parent company has been supplying these facilities to China since 1979. Now, however, under terms of an agreement for which negotiations began in 1982 and were just completed, China will open the Ningbo factory with Tandberg supplying technical expertise and, in the beginning, partially-assembled units destined for final assembly in China.

Tandberg's first equipment shipment to China will come next month. A company spokesman estimates that 30,000 Language Labs will be produced by the Chinese facility in the first five years of operation.

Sivertsen says that a Tandberg China Service Center will also be opened along with the Ningbo factory to handle installations and aftersales servicing of the Language Labs.

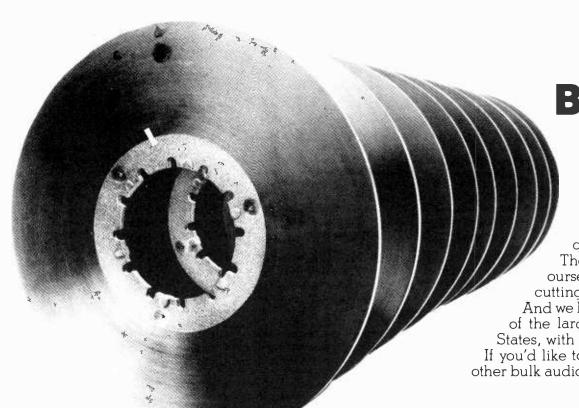
Will Tandberg's Chinese facility stay only with the production of the Language Labs? Sivertsen hopes not.

"The Chinese are primarily interested in the Language Labs at this time," he says. "We have so far sold 25 units to them, and with the opening of this factory, we obviously expect to sell many, many more. But Tandberg is involved with the production of professional reel to reel and cassette recorders, and our people communicating with the Chinese will attempt to move them more towards this market eventually, of

## **Restructuring At** Ampex Corp.'s **Audio/Video Arm**

NEW YORK—Ampex Corp.'s Audio-Video Systems (AVSD), in an effort to simplify operations for the benefit of its customers, has consolidated four of its aftermarket support functions into one organization headed by AVSD manager of market support Paul Kreuger. Now reporting directly to Kreuger are the managers of the technical support, training and teleproduction, worldwide spares and used equipment fuctions.

According to Mark Sanders, Ampex vice president and general manager of AVSD, the move is intended to strengthen AVSD's marketing and product support organizations. "We feel this grouping will be particularly beneficial to AVSD's customers, because the functions that support our products and systems after the sale are now unified in a single area of management responsibility." management responsibility," says



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# Pro Equipment & Services

# **Neil Young Purchases Digital System From Sony**

joined the select group of recording artists who are opting for digital recording systems in their personal recording studios with his purchase of two PCM-3324 multitrack recorders and the RM-3310 digital synchronizer/controller for his facility in Redwood City, Calif.

In selecting the Sony system, Young relied upon comparison testing conducted for him by Elliot Mazer, the producer/engineer responsithe first commercially released pop record using the PCM-3324, Young's "Everybody's "Everybody's Rockin'." Mazer, who is also a consultant on digital audio to the Center for Computer Research in Music &



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criteria in evaluating for Young the various digital units on the market were acoustical quality, ease of operation and reliability.

"We'd been renting the PCM-3324 for almost two years, and the experience had been great," Mazer says. "I told Neil to go ahead and buy the Sony multitracks and get rid of his analog equipment.

Mazer is enthusiastic in his praise for the Sony equipment: "I've already logged more than 300 hours on the Sony multitrack with just about every imaginable instrument. The sonic realism is truly extraordinary." Another consideration for investing in the equipment, Mazer says, is that Young does not have a full-time maintenance engineer at his studio, so it was "important to have a machine that is reliable."

Young and Mazer recently made use of the Sony digital multitrack and Sony VTRs at an on-location video shoot in Dayton, Ohio. Mazer produced the audio portion of the shoot, with Hal Ashby directing. According to Mazer, the use of the PCM-3324 made the post-production work considerably easier.

'The multitrack tapes were mixed using two PCM-3324s," says Mazer. "We then transferred to the twochannel PCM-F1 system for synchronization and final playback to the video master." The long-form video is scheduled for release to cable and home video in the fall.

STEVEN DUPLER

# Studio Track

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Several sessions are in progress at Philadelphia's Studio 4. George Thorogood is cutting a commercial for Buick. T. Lavitz of the Dregs is producing his own solo album with engineer **Phil Nicolo**. Contributing tracks to the project are Spryo Gyra's Chet Cattalo and Eli Konikof and Dave Larue of Stretch. Jerry Burton is mixing a record, with Phil and Joe Nicolo at the board. Vince Montana is cutting a record for the Philly Sound Works label, again with the Nicolos at the console. And Gary King is producing two new acts: Coleen Collins and

Across town, things are equally busy at Philly's Sigma Sound. Grover Washington Jr. is roducing his next album with engineer Peter Humphreys and assistant Barry Craig. Earlier in the month, Washington produced a single for Pieces Of A Dream. Laurence Goodman and Popart are producing Mikki's "Love Emergency" with engineer Gene Leone. Leone and Humphreys are also handling ses sions for Young Delegation. Tony Beck is producing the record for the Messiah label

In Glendale, Calif., Monterey Recording plays host to a number of artists. The Crusaders are producing Joe Sample's next MCA album with engineer Frank Clark and assistant Phil Brown, Motown's Dazz Band are overdubbing tracks with Clark and Brown. And Clare Fisher is wrapping work on a Trend release with producer Albert Marx and engi neer Arne Frager.

In Santa Cruz, Calif., Kicking Mule folkster Bob Brozman is recording the soundtrack for the Australian film "The Secret Land That Exploded" at Fane Productions. Fane Opperman is at the board. Northern Californians Eddie & the Tide are recording tracks for their first album with producer Bobby Corona and

engineers Richie Corsello and Dave Luke. Ronnie Barnes & Rush Hour are there working on a new album with engineer Vince Sanchez. And Omni's Paul Contos Group is wrapping an album with producer **Robbie Eckert** and engineer Sanchez.

At Cincinnati's 5th Floor Recording, Walter (Junie) Morrison is working on Ze record with engineer Gary Platt. Epic act the Elvis Brothers are laying album tracks with producer Adrian Belew of King Crimson Platt is at the board with help from Brad Kuenning. The Ohio Players just checked out after finishing an album for Air City, which Platt engineered. And Beau Ray Fleming is producing Robert Guillaume's album, also for Air City with Jim Krause at the board.

There's a near riot of activity at Berkeley's Fantasy Studios. Jeffery Osborne is finishing vocals for his latest A&M album. George Duke is producing, with engineer Tommy Vicari and assistant Dave Luke. Capitol act Frankie Beverly & Maze are cutting tracks for their next album, with Beverly producing and Leslie Ann Jones at the board. Labelmates the Tubes have an album underway with Todd Rundgren producing, Wally Buck engineering and Tom Size assisting. Beserkley Records group Hyts just finished its first album with producer Matthew Kaufman, engineer Richie Corsello and assistant Size. John Strauss has just wrapped production on the core for the film version of "Amadeus." Todd Boekelheide engineered, with help from Danny Kopelson. And Azymuth's sixth album for the Milestone label is being prepared for September release

Triumph is putting the final touches on its new album at Ontario's Metalworks. The group produced the project with Eddie Kramer and engineer Ed Stone. Bo Diddley dropped in to record a duet with local balladeer

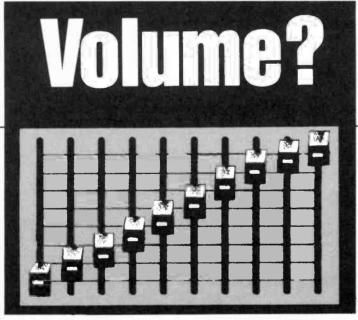
Patti Jannetta. Steve Thompson produced the single with engineer Fraser Hill. And Bernard Purdie is laying tracks for "Offside," an album project to raise money for Canada's national amateur hockey team. Bob Leth is producing, with Noel Golden at the board.

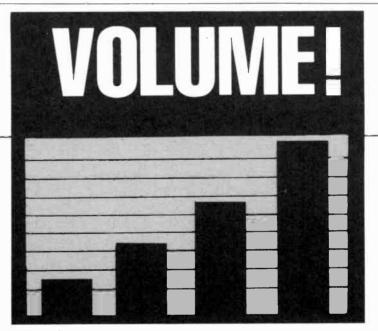
At San Francisco's Different Fur, Windham Hill pianist George Winston is recording an album based on the soundtrack for the Disney film "Country." Label head Will Ackerman is producing, with Howard Johnston engineering and Kim Foscato assiting. Labelmates Darol Anger and Barbara Higby joined Mike Marshall and Todd Philli to wrap their Live At The Montreux Jazz Festival" album The Weathergirls are lending a hand to Deb-

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KLIQUE TRACKS--Thomas Mo of the Commodores, left, calls for a break while producing Klique's next MCA album at 8-Mile Road studios in Los Angeles. Pictured from his left are Klique's Debra Suthers, Howard Huntsberry and Isaac Suthers.





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# New Company Stocking Supermarkets Via Kiosks

NEW YORK—A new firm has entered the grocery video business, and its presence promises to heat up the industry in the next few months.

Video Theater Inc. hopes to place video kiosks in anywhere from 1,000 to 3,000 of the nation's top supermarkets. The kiosks will hold 100 to 150 titles and between 300 and 400 videocassettes.

Video Theater executives say the grocery store locales, as well as the choice of stores, will guarantee high traffic and high rental volume. In one week this summer, the company had 19 of its kiosks operational. About 300,000 potential consumers passed the sales stations, resulting in 7,000 retail transactions and the rental of about 500 VCRs, according to the executives.

The company maintains that supermarkets will hand over their top staffers to the kiosk trade because of the high volume per square foot that the video kiosks produce. While good shelf activity in a regular grocery store section might produce \$8 a square foot, Video Theater officials say that their kiosks are raking in from \$30 to \$50 a square foot each week.

They dismiss their competition, both in the video specialty area and in the grocery video business. East Texas Periodicals' grocery store distribution program "doesn't provide the service that we do," one Video Theater executive claims.

Tapes will be rotated every eight to 12 weeks, with a company representative visiting the kiosk every five to seven days to make certain operations are up to snuff.

Friends in the video specialty business will be hard for Video Theater to find, given the tone of much of its literature. The company states: "Supermarkets are a known and comfortable environment for the consumer. The smaller, more esoteric and hard-

er to reach video specialty store, whose business may be as much as 30%-40% X-rated material, will not appeal to the mainstream American video consumer." Video Theater says it will carry no X-rated product.

Almost no study in the last two years has found X-rated material to account for more than 15% of an average video specialty store's activity. Video Theater's literature is also at odds with industry figures in two other areas.

The company claims that home video was a \$1 billion industry at retail in 1983, while even the most optimistic estimates for last year seldom go beyond \$750 million. And it projects a 20% VCR penetration level by the end of this year, while most surveys say a top of 17% would be outstanding if the current boom continues.

Video Theater currently has 24 kiosks in operation, and expects 48 to be in stores by the end of this year. East Texas Periodicals is serving about 300 grocery outlets at this time, while video manufacturers estimate that there are some 12,000 video specialty dealers nationwide.

The average video specialty outlet carries about 1,500 titles, and most now have libraries of 2,000 or more different programs. Video Theater executives say that their 100 to 150 title inventories will not prove a handicap because of the speed at which they rotate their inventory, and because they will be able to order product quickly from distributors when customers request it.

Construction and stocking costs included, each kiosk represents a \$30,000 investment, the company says. Among the supermarket chains said to have Video Theater kiosks are Safeway, the Florida-based Publix, the Rochester-area Wegmans, and the Fernandos chain in and around Boston.

TONY SEIDEMAN

# Fast Forward Sony Sprints Into Duplication

By KEN WINSLOW

This is the second of a special twopart Fast Forward on high-speed video duplication

Sony's Sprinter has picked from among the best features of past contact duplicating technology and assembled them in a configuration considered by Sony to be fully competitive with today's widely used real time slave VCR duplication techniques.

The Sprinter, currently only designed to handle Beta II with any combination of fixed and rotating heads for its mono and stereo audio, uses pancake spooling at its supply and takeup ends to handle both the separately recorded 2,000 oersted mirror master and the blank copy tape. The mirror master tape program capacity is five hours. The capacity of the copy tape, which can be any conventional high or regular grade, is 26 hours.

An AC dynamic transfer method is employed by using a separate drive tape, in the place of a capstan, to move both the C/C positioned master and copy tapes at 150 times the Beta II real time rate past a transfer head used to apply a high bias AC signal.

High pressure air, directed through the transfer head, is used to

hold the master and copy tapes tightly together at the transfer point, remove signal transfer aberrations and cushion both tapes from guide and other physical wear and damage.

At the end of the programming on the mirror master, both it and the copy tape stop, the master rewinds to start another pass, and the process resumes. When the copy tape supply has ended, it is removed in pancake form and placed on a separate automated cassette loader.

The Sprinter contact printer transfers all short- and long-wave video, audio, control track, cue track and other recorded program information. No fixed head, E/E recording is involved.

Sony Video Communications VP/GM Bob Mueller says that when the time for loading and rewinding is taken into account, the rated throughput or yield of a single Sprinter is equivalent to about 80 real-time working VCR recording slaves. A 120-minute movie can be copied in 90 seconds, he says.

In comparison of operations, each of the Sprinter-produced copies is described as a perfect replica of the original which in turn can be considered almost the laboratory equivalent

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# Ratings Come To Home Market MPAA, 14 Manufacturers Reach Agreement On Code

By TONY SEIDEMAN

NEW YORK — The Motion Picture Assn. of America's film ratings system is now an official part of the home video industry, as the result of an agreement between the MPAA and 14 major home video manufacturers.

According to the terms of the agreement, the ratings given to movies when they go into the theaters will from now on be placed on all home video versions that are put into release. For future home video releases, according to the MPAA, ratings will appear twice on each unit: once on the packaging that contains the disk or cassette, and once on the body of the disk or cassette itself.

The MPAA move is in large part a response to efforts by numerous states to require video stores to place ratings on videocassettes and disks (Billboard, May 26). According to Frank Barnako, president of the Video Software Dealers Assn. (VSDA), two states, Tennessee and Maryland, have so far passed such laws.

The ratings categories appearing on cassettes will be the well-known

G, PG, R and X, as well as the recently established PG-13. The 14 companies who have so far signed the agreement are: CBS/Fox Video, MCA Home Video, Paramount Home Video, RCA/Columbia Pictures Home Video, Warner Home Video, Vestron Video, Embassy Home Entertainment, Media Home Entertainment, Thorn EMI Home Video, Walt Disney Home Video, NTA Home Entertainment, Key Video and Independent United Distributors.

"Many parents come into a store and are concerned about the type of video they are renting," Barnako notes. The majority of video stores make this information readily available to consumers, he says, but "for those stores that are not taking time to help their customers, this will give customers more information."

Official attachment of the ratings system to the home video industry will mean virtually no changes for most video stores, Barnako claims. "For a responsible retailer there's no problem at all—it's the kind of thing dealers should be doing already," he says

The responsibility for the agreement rests upon the manufacturers, says Barnako. As a retailer, he maintains, "We're not going to have to do anything."

While manufacturers are positive about the agreement itself, they acknowledge that putting ratings on cassettes and disks is more for the benefit of the consumer than the retailer

If Embassy Home Entertainment attaches labels to its videocassettes and disks, the move will be made to help consumers, not storeowners, says director of marketing Robin Montgomery, reflecting the opinions of other home video manufacturers.

Informing consumers about the ratings of feature films that have been removed from their official packaging is the "retailer's responsibility," says Montgomery. Her duty, she adds, is only to see that the information is where consumers can use it.

"Are we supposed to be a watchdog on the retailer?" she asks. Not only is it wrong to ask video manufacturers to keep track of the rental activity of 14,000 video specialty

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3	2	10	SILKWOOD	ABC Motion Pictures Embassy Home Entertainment 1377	Meryl Streep Kurt Russell	1983	R	CED Laser	39.9 44.9
4	4	5	GORKY PARK	Orion Pictures Vestron 5053	William Hurt Lee Marvin	1983	R	CED Laser	29.9 39.9
5	11	11	SCARFACEA	Universal City Studios MCA Dist. Corp. 80047	Al Pacino	1983	R	CED Laser	34.5 39.5
6	3	6	CHRISTINE	RCA/Columbia Pictures Home Video 10141	Keith Gordon	1983	R	CED	29.
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12	8	13	REAR WINDOW •	Universal Classics MCA Dist. Corp. 80081	James Stewart Grace Kelly	1954	PG	CED Laser	19.9 29.9
13	10	19	SUDDEN IMPACT▲	Warner Brothers Pictures Warner Home Video 11341	Clint Eastwood Sondra Locke	1983	R	CED Laser	19.9 34.9
14	13	17	DEAD ZONE	Paramount Pictures RCA Video Disc 1646	Christopher Walken Martin Sheen	1983	R	CED Laser	29.9
15	12	6	UNDER FIRE	Vestron 5033	Gene Hackman Nick Nolte	1983	R	CED Laser	29.9 39.9
16	18	25	MR. MOM▲	Vestron 5025	Michael Keaton Teri Garr	1983	PG	CED Laser	29.1 34.1
17	15	4	TWO OF A KIND •	CBS-Fox Video 1339	John Travolta Olivia Newton-John	1983	PG	CED Laser	19.9 34.9
18	17	7	LIMITED GOLD EDITION CARTOON CLASSICS MICKEY	Walt Disney Home Video 198	Mickey Mouse	1984	NR	CED	19.9
19	16	2	A HARD DAYS NIGHT	Walter Shenson Maljack Productions, Inc. 1064	The Beatles	1964	G	CED Laser	19.9 34.9
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### Video



SHARP FOCUS—Staffers from Los Angeles' Razor Productions line up a shot for Johnny Rivers' comeback video "Heartbreak Love." Shown from left are producer/director John B. House, associate director Anita Clearfield, photography director Don Cirillo, assistant cameraman Don Devine and Rivers.

### Music Monitor

•Cable department: On Sept. 15, Showtime will debut the July 4 concert at the Washington Monument, which includes performances by the Beach Boys, Julio Iglesias and Ringo Starr. The highlight of the concert comes when the Beach Boys break into a rendition of "Back In The U.S.S.R." Also look for the O'Jays and Three Dog Night.

•A first for MTV: Ronnie Milsap's "She Loves My Car" is the first video by a Nashville-based label artist to get into rotation on MTV, according to Joe Galante, vice president of RCA Records Nashville. The song, written by Roy Freeland and Bill La-Bounty, is from Milsap's "One More Try"album. Flashy cars, high voltage action and cameos by a number of performers, including Herve Villechaize and Britt Eklund, are featured in the clip, directed by David Hogan and produced by Marty Gurfinkle.

•Chicago effects: Dual channel ADO was used for digital effects in Chicago's "Hard Habit To Break." The Post Group took charge of filmto-tape transfer and off-line and online editing for the Full Moon/ Warner Bros. act's clip. Francie Moore produced and Leslie Libman directed for Art Design Productions. The clip was shot on 16mm using an Aaton camera and HMI Par lights to give the piece a more dramatic look. Howard Sisko did the film transfer, and Peter Cohen edited the piece, with Larry Sherwood assisting.

On another video: Libman directed Geffen artist Sammy Hagar's new video for "Two Sides Of Love," with Moore again producing. The clip was shot on location in Los Angeles and San Francisco using a Panavision Louma Crane. Tony Mitchell was the director of photography, Sisko took charge of film transfer, and the editing was handled by Cohen.

•Tunes to laughs: Jay Dubin, known for his direction of such videos as Billy Joel's "Tell Her About It," has just finished directing HBO's
"The Joe Piscopo Special." Piscopo handled production of the show via J.P. Productions. Executive in charge of production was Vic Kapland. The show, which was shot on film, is scheduled to air in the fall. A mix of location and studio footage was used, with The Complex Stages providing the main indoor facilities.

• Music video debut: Johnny Rivers has just made his first video clip, "Heartbreak Love." Dual Grammy winner John B. House handled direction and production, while L.A.based Razor Productions acted as production house.

•International conversions: Windsor Total Video/N.Y. has made some video converts, reconfiguring U.S. footage so it could be broadcast overseas, and South American footage so it could be seen in the States. Converted to PAL-B for broadcast on French television were four hour-long programs on the 1983 US Festival. For CBS recording artists Las Jaivas, based in Chile, Windsor formatted an hour-long program which will be broadcast on U.S. Spanishlanguage network Galavision in the fall. Handling the editing for both projects was Windsor's Rich Cohen.



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### Raquel On Thorn EMI List

NEW YORK—Thorn EMI Home Video plans to release its first how-to cassette, Raquel Welch's "Raquel— Total Beauty & Fitness," in October.

The program will be priced at \$39.95. It will come out at the same time as a book by Welch on the same subject titled "Raquel Welch's Total Beauty & Fitness Program," published by Holt, Rinehart & Winston.

According to Thorn EMI Home Video president Nicholas Santrizos, "The book and the video will be cross-promoting each other through-out," with ads for each plugging the

On its own end, the company plans to push the cassette with T-shirts, life-size cutouts, posters, and other ingredients of a p-o-p barrage. Customized co-op funds will also be

Reflecting the high demand for potential sell-through product in the home video rights marketplace, Thorn EMI Home Video had to lay "in excess of \$500,000" for worldwide rights to the title, says

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### /ideo Reviews

KEN NORDINE—"Dreams Of Gold," Pacific Arts Video PAVR-549. Executive producer Steve Michelson. Stereo, 60 minutes. \$29.95.

In the field of novelty prerecorded videocassettes, this one should shine for the time being due to its timely subject matter: the Olympics. "Dreams Of Gold" was filmed at the National Sports Festival, where the American Olympic team competed.

Ken Nordine, using a megaphone-sounding voice, describes each event before its start. Then the American hopefuls show the talents determination and luster needed to go for the gold. Nordine composed the backing music, which is upbeat contemporary jazz.

Pacific Arts is billing the video, sanctioned by the U.S. Olympic Committee and produced by Levi Strauss & Co., as a collectors' item. A portion of the artists' and producers' royalties go to the Olympic Committee. It's a One Pass production

Nordine, known for creating the Levi;s Jeans commercials, tried to capture a rare look at the Olympics. But it seems he really designed a 60-minute commercial for an event which is already exploited and saddled with commercialism.

The video has a mundane side to it as well. Each Olympic sport is presented in the same manner: Nordine introduces it; then the event is depicted in slow motion.

But "Dreams Of Gold" also has some

strengths that make it stand out. The music is hard-edged, well composed and energetic. It is saturated with crisp, clear and vibrant colors and is sharply in focus.

Nordine provides compelling anecdotal information on each event. Take skeet shooting, for example. Here he tells us that the shot is made of lead or lead alloy, must be two millimeters in diameter and weigh an ounce and an eighth, equivalent to 25 dimes.

The music in this video is not available on any other format. Nordine's previous credits include the electronic verbal collage called "Word Jazz," which was featured on a series of four records. FAYE ZUCKERMAN

VARIOUS ARTISTS-"Money Hunt," Karl Home Video VHS 056. Executive producer Stuart Karl, directed by David Hemmings. Stereo, 40 minutes. \$29.95.

Imagine an inept, torpid Sam Spade character wallowing around in 90-degree weather sweating out an absurd, almost senseless case and you have caught the essence of "Money Hunt." As a stand-alone short feature, this video would be a flop. But it comes with a unique twist that turns Karl Home Video's original production into a compelling interactive comedy that fosters repeat viewing. The twist comes in the form of a \$100,000 cash prize, which can be obtained by identifying the whereabouts of the money and a telephone number to communicate one's findings.

Clues pertaining to the cash prize are woven

into the 40-minute comedic mystery, created by Greg Ross and Chris Pye and hosted by John Hillerman, the eccentric Higgins on to's "Magnum PI." It stars John Aston as the inept Cash Hunt, who is led through the mystery by a more capable waitress (Zane Buzby) and palm reader (Ruth Crawford).

The comedy relief in this video is primarily tongue-in-cheek, with the painfully gauche Hunt coming up with such unprofound observations as, "Two things were standing in my way: I didn't know who I was working for or what I was supposed to find out. Besides that, it seemed like a fairly routine case." When an envelope is slipped under his door, he observes, "I knew it wasn't the postman. He always rings twice."

But by the end of the 40 minutes, the viewer gets pulled into this Sam Spade spoof, wondering if certain subtle actions or comments are clues to the whereabouts of the \$100,000. Are the calendar dates that frequently flash by pegged to a telephone number? Does the blind jet pilot (Newell Alexander) know more than he lets on? What about the numbers written inside the fuse box?

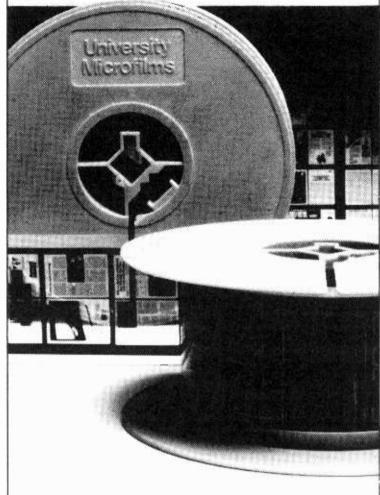
It's the lure of \$100,000 that makes the viewer shift from the rewind mode to playback. Perhaps one more perusal will yield the evidence needed to get the prize. Incidentally, Karl Home Video is requiring all contestants to show proof of purchase. The winner will be no-

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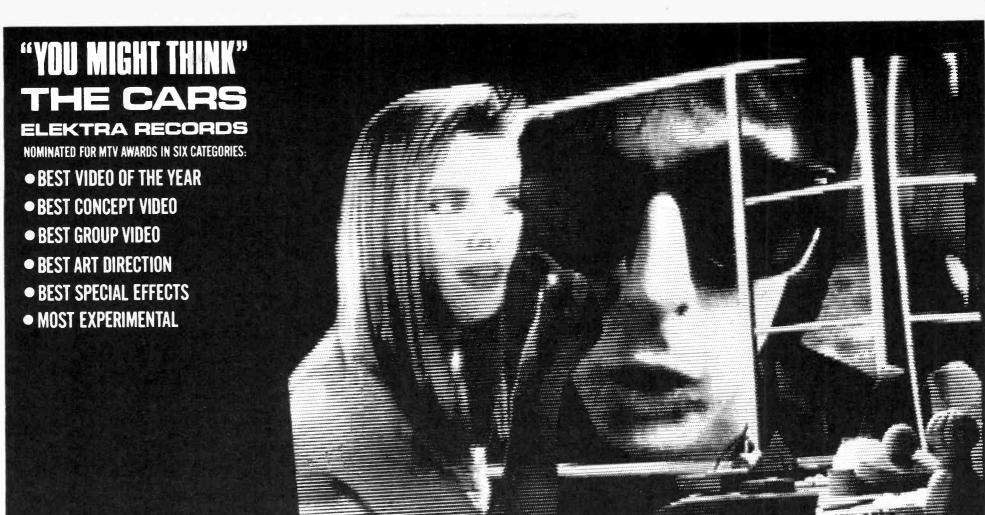
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### **RENTALS**

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This Week	Last Position	Weeks on Chart	search Department. Both Beta and Co	pyright Owner,	oy the Billboard Chart Re-	Year of Release	Rating	Format
1	7	3	THE BIG CHILL	RCA/Columbia Pictures Home Video 100211	William Hurt Glenn Close	1983	R	VHS Beta
2	1	10	TERMS OF ENDEARMENT	Paramount Pictures Paramount Home Video 1407	Shirley MacLaine Debra Winger	1983	PG	VHS Beta
3	3	5	BLAME IT ON RIO	Sherwood Productions Vestron 5040	Michael Caine Joseph Bologna	1984	R	VHS Beta
4	2	8	THE RIGHT STUFF ▲	The Ladd Company Warner Home Video 20014	Charles Frank Scott Glenn	1983	PG	VHS Beta
5	11	3	LASSITER A	Warner Brothers Pictures Warner Home Video 11372	Tom Selleck Jane Seymour	1984	R	VHS
6	4	12	SCARFACE ▲	Universal City Studios MCA Distributing Corp. 80047	Al Pacino	1983	R	VHS
7	6	7	EDUCATING RITA	RCA/Columbia Pictures Home Video 10189	Michael Caine Julie Walters	1983	PG	VHS Beta
8	5	11	SILKWOOD	ABC Motion Pictures, Embassy Home Entertainment 1377	Meryl Streep Kurt Russell	1983	R	VHS
9	9	4	TANK ▲	Universal City Studios MCA Dist. Corp. 80072	James Garner Shirley Jones	1983	PG	VILIC
10	8	6	CHILDREN OF THE CORN	New World Pictures, Embassy Home Entertainment 4039	Peter Horton Linda Hamilton	1984	R	VHS
11	13	4	VERTIGO	Universal Classics MCA Dist, Corp. 80082	James Stewart Kim Novak	1958	PG	VHS
12	16	14	GORKY PARK	Orion Pictures Vestron 5053	William Hurt Lee Marvin	1983	R	VHS
13	12	16	UNCOMMON VALOR	Paramount Pictures Paramount Home Video 1657	Gene Hackman Robert Stack	1983	R	VHS
14	HEW ENT	RV	UNFAITHFULLY YOURS	CBS-Fox Video 1340	Dudley Moore Natassa Kinski	1983	PG	VHS Beta
15	10	11	CHRISTINE	RCA/Columbia Pictures Home Video 10141	Keith Gordon	1983	R	VHS
16	18	19	SUDDEN IMPACT ▲ (ITA)	Warner Brothers Pictures Warner Home Video 11341	Clint Eastwood Sondra Locke	1983	R	VHS Beta
17	19	37	RAIDERS OF THE LOST ARK	Paramount Pictures Paramount Home Video 1376	Harrison Ford Karen Allen	1981	PG	VHS Beta
18	15	13	REAR WINDOW •	Universal Classics MCA Distributing Corp. 80081	James Stewart Grace Kelly	1954	PG	VHS Beta
19	22	26	MR. MOM ▲	Vestron 5025	Michael Keaton Teri Garr	1983	PG	VHS
20	14	10	ALL THE RIGHT MOVES	CBS-Fox Video 1299	Tom Cruise Lea Thompson	1983	R	VHS
21	21	6	TWO OF A KIND •	CBS-Fox Home Video 1339	John Travolta Olivia Newton-John	1983	PG	VHS
22	17	5	BROADWAY DANNY ROSE	Orion Pictures Vestron 5041	Woody Allen Mia Farrow	1984	PG	VHS
23	24	17	UNDER FIRE	Vestron 5033	Gene Hackman Nick Nolte	1983	R	VHS
24	34	2	REPO MAN	Universal City Sudios MCA Dist, Corp.80071	Harry Dean Stanton	1983	R	VHS
25	23	36	RISKY BUSINESS A	The Geffen Company Warner Home Video 11323	Tom Cruise Rebecca de Mornay	1983	R	VHS
26	NEW ENT	87	HARRY AND SON	Orion Pictures Vestron 5037	Paul Newman Robby Benson	1983	R	VHS
27	20	23	TRADING PLACES	Paramount Pictures Paramount Home Video 1551	Dan Ackroyd Eddie Murphy	1983	R	VHS Beta
28	29	29	TOOTSIE ▲ (ITA)	RCA/Columbia Pictures Home Video 10535	Dustin Hoffman Jessica Lange	1982	PG	VHS
29	NEW ENT	Re	ROMANTIC COMEDY	CBS-Fox Video 4733	Dudley Moore Mary Steenburgen	1983	PG	VHS Beta
30	28	19	DEAD ZONE	Paramount Pictures Paramount Home Video 1646	Christopher Walken Martin Sheen	1983	R	VHS Beta
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Video

### **CBS/Fox Arm Key Plans**Release Of Classic Films

NEW YORK—With heavy releases of classic films and retailer sweepstakes, CBS/Fox Video subsidiary Key Video is trying to boost its presence in the home marketplace.

Reflecting the extent of CBS/Fox's past licensing efforts, Key Video will be releasing famous feature films from the Warner Bros. and United Artists studios.

The 24 films, part of what Key is describing as the "24K-Gold Collection," will feature such stars as Humphrey Bogart, Paul Muni, John Wayne, Bette Davis, James Cagney and Gary Cooper. All of the features, 22 of which are black and white, will be priced at \$59.98, a factor that has drawn grumbles from both retailers and consumer publications.

Among the 24K-Gold titles will be "Dark Victory," "Watch On The Rhine," "I Am A Fugitive From A Chain Gang," "The Left Hand Of God" and "Golddiggers of 1933." Key is hoping that the tilm-buff ap-

peal of the features will guarantee a long shelf life.

To help get the titles on the shelves, Key will hold a contest at the Aug. 26-29 Video Software Dealers Assn. conference that will send a winner to the Bahamas one week a year for the next 21 years.

Entrants will have to fit three requirements: They must be members of the VSDA, they must be video retailers, and they must be registered as attendants of the VSDA confab.

Besides the once-a-year stay at the Bahamas Princess condominium, the prize will also include first-class round trip airfare and meals for its first year.

A key-shaped entry form will be included in VSDA registration packets. Key Video vice president and general manager Herb Fischer and VSDA president Frank Barnako will announce the winner on Aug. 29, the VSDA conference's last day.

### Fast Forward

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of an interchange tape, assuming that the required \$80,000 open reel mirror image recorder does its job properly. One mirror image recorder can service many Sprinters.

There is no individual machine head clogging or alignment variation to worry about when using the Sprinter. Mueller says that instead of quality control testing each cassette at three points as most duplicators now do, if a single cassette from a copy pancake passes the test, it can be reasonably presumed that all others will pass and need not be sampled.

Sony makes a strong economic argument for its Sprinter. After raw materials, the second highest cost to a duplicator is for capital equipment, Mueller says.

### Ratings Come To Home Market

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stores, Montgomery says, but the First Sale Doctrine presents a barrier which makes it impossible for manufacturers to have strict control over their product after the first time it is purchased by anyone—distributor or retailer.

Even so, chances are good that Embassy's cassettes will bear ratings in the future. "We're probably going to put the labels on there," says Montgomery. But, she adds, "It isn't so much a question of serving the needs of the rental marketplace as it so f serving the consumer. My job is not to make the retail rental market easier for him (the video speicalty store owner)."

The MPAA agreement in effect codifies a situation that already exists. Almost all manufacturers already put ratings on their releases when the releases have been rated. What the agreement has done is to make a sometimes happenstance action an automatic requirement.

Whether the move will have any effect in heading off legislative action won't be apparent until early next year at the earliest, when state legislatures start meeting without the pressures of an election year.

While the cost of a single Sprinter is \$125,000, compared to \$80,000 for 80 duplicator grade recording slaves, Mueller points out that in a typical 24-hour, seven-day operation, re-

cording slaves last from 18 to 24 months and during that time will need at least one head replacement at \$100 (\$70 parts) per machine.

"We are projecting a five-year, maybe seven-year, productive life for a Sprinter," says Mueller. "We are estimating a very low maintenance cost, maybe less than 10% of an equivalent 80 recording slaves."

As to the all-the-eggs-in-one-basket dependence question, Mueller says major duplicators will buy not one but many Sprinters. "Some are talking about more than 20 ... because of the constant need for real time duplicating which will parallel or back up a Sprinter."

As first conceived by Sony, each mirror master would hold a single program-length recording, which might be a two-hour movie or a 20-minute music video, and rewind after each pass.

"But if you start compiling recorded program segments on the mirror master up to its five-hour capacity—for example, repeat record a 20-minute music video 15 times—the process gets unbelievably efficient," says Mueller.

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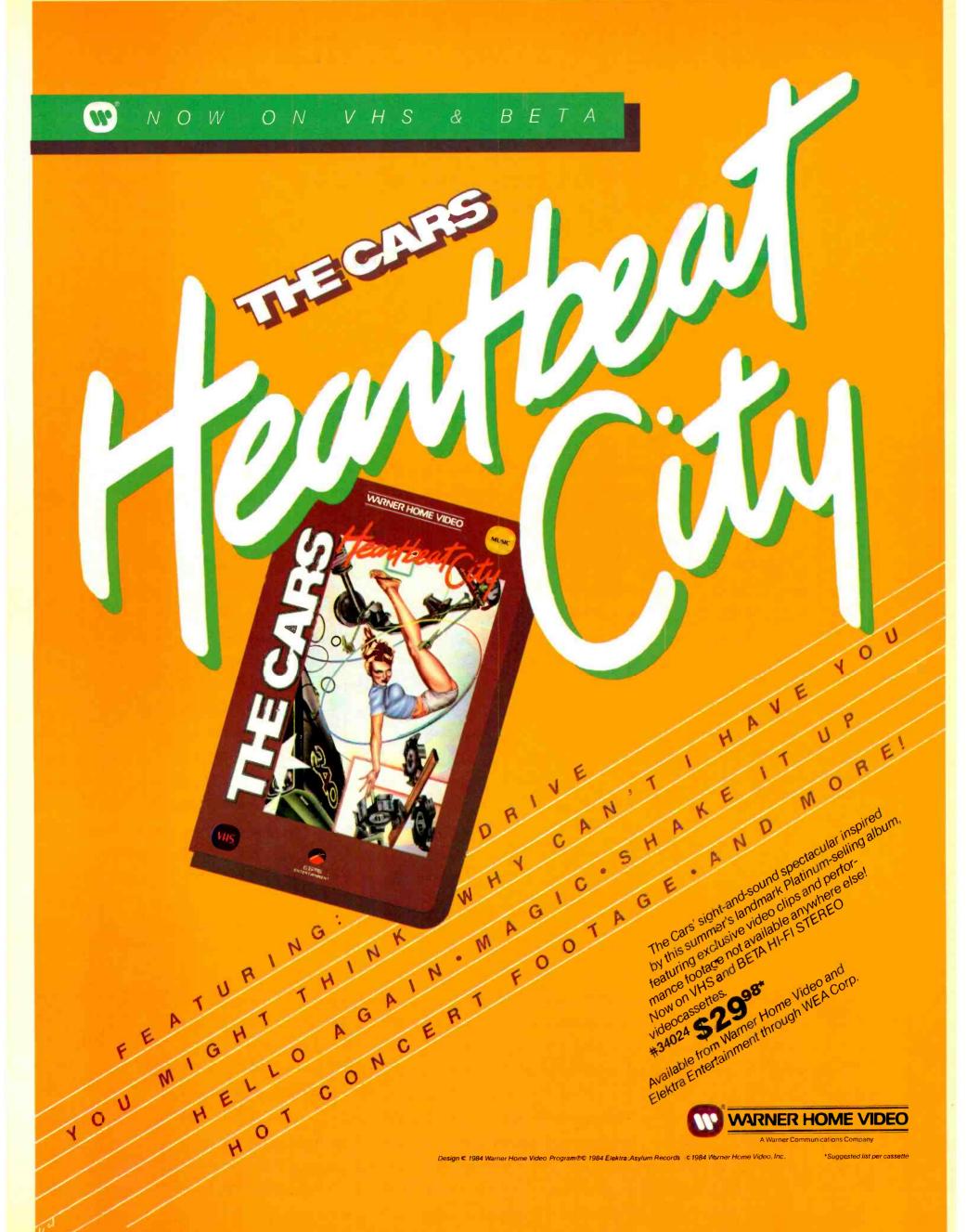
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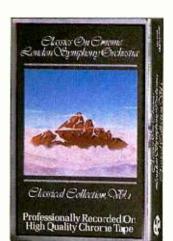
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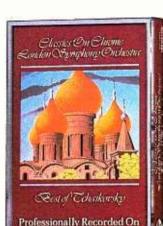
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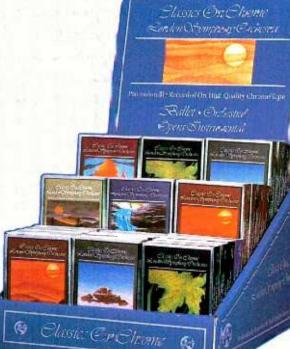
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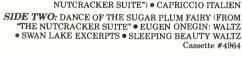
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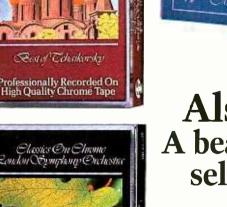
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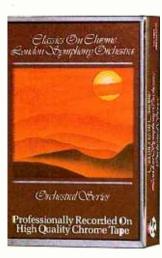
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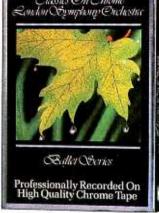
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### **Berlin Philharmonic To Record For CBS**

CBS Records was not about to confirm last week that it is entering into a longterm relationship with the Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra, but neither was it denying persistent reports of such an alliance. All that it would say for the record was that it will, in fact, mount a number of sessions with the BPO and Daniel Barenboim later this month to record the Schubert Third and Sixth Symphonies.

This news alone had its share of provocative elements: further evidence of distancing in the stormy relationship between the orchestra and its lifetime music director, Herbert von Karajan; uncertainty in the status of both Deutsche Grammophon and EMI/Angel vis a vis the BPO; and a firm augury of the determination of CBS Masterworks to pursue an increasingly prominent role in the world recording scene

To take the last first, no one really expects that a new album holding two moderately popular Schubert symphonies is going to make much of a commercial impact, Berlin Philharmonic or no. As the first step in a broad-scale relationship, however, it takes on more significance.

One of the reports that Joe Dash, CBS Masterworks chief, would not comment on is that all the Schubert symphonies are on the drawing board with Barenboim and the BPO. Another is that the deal with the orchestra is to run as long as five years—time for lots of varied reper--and that other conductors will be utilized, among them Lorin Maazel and Leonard Bernstein, the latter for the moment still under exclusive contract to DG.

An interesting sidelight: Jack Renner, president of Telarc Records and a leader among today's adherents of minimalist microphone technique, will engineer the Berlin dates for CBS (James Mallinson will produce). Renner has been used by CBS before; his connection with the label seems to be drawing tighter.

Other orchestras in the Masterworks orbit, albeit shared with other labels, include the Concertgebouw, where a Beethoven piano concerto cycle is underway with Murray Perahia the soloist and Bernard Haitink the conductor; and the Vienna Philharmonic, where a Mahler cycle directed by Maazel is still to be completed. There is also the expectation of additional CBS recordings with the Chicago Symphony and Claudio Abbado, as well as some use of the New York Philharmonic, once the label's prime orchestral connection. Come January, says Dash, the New York orchestra uder Zubin Mehta will tape Act I of 'Die Walkuere" for CBS.

Karajan's hassles with the BPO have been well docu-

mented over the past year or so, and some suggest that he has sought to "punish" them by diverting a number of his recording commitments (or opportunities) to the Vienna Philharmonic. As a cooperative, the Berlin relies on recordings for much of its income.

Be that as it may, both DG and Angel have a number of remaining recording commitments with the BPO, as well as some product in the can that should maintain at least an illusion of release continuity over the coming months.

Of the digital remakes of the Beethoven symphonies by

Karajan and the BPO for DG, the Fifth, Sixth and Ninth are in the can and ready to go. There is also some Mahler with Carlo Maria Giulini and Rachmaninoff with Maazel

A "Flying Dutchman" led by Karajan is due for release by Angel in October (all that's left on tape by this combination for Angel). There is, however, a "New World" conducted by Klaus Tennstedt and a new BPO recording of Handel's "Water Music" with Riccardo Muti. Seiji Ozawa will record a popular Tchaikovsky program with the orchestra for Angel next year.

The recording status of the Berlin Philharmonic should

be a lot clearer by the end of August. A press conference formally announcing the CBS deal will be held around the time of the first Barenboim sessions, and ongoing talks with the orchestra by Angel and DG, respectively, may have borne some fruit by then.

Luciano Pavarotti's concert tour of some of the largest arena's cross-country kicked off last week, but an "encore" date has already been scheduled for November in New York's Madison Square Garden. London Records expects a huge promotional assist from the dates, particularly for the tenor's most recent release, ma."... The Philharmonia Virtuosi, directed by . . The Philharmonia Virtuosi, directed by Richard **Kapp,** is preparing more albums for CBS, including a set of the "Brandenburg Concertos," and a crossover potpourri of orchestral selections, "Instant Classics." Their

WCLV Cleveland stimulated lots of attention last month via announcements that it was "the official station for the Jackson Concert." When pressed, it clarified that what was meant was the concert of the Cleveland Orchestra conducted by Isaiah Jackson at the Blossom Music Center, not Michael's date in the city scheduled for

latest for the label is "Bach's Tops."

### Notas

### D.C. Agency: Only Game In Town

"The labels are finally beginning to pay attention to the Washington area," says Anne E. Schwartz, whose publicity agency, Agencia Inc., handles Latin music promotion for the estimated quarter of a million Hispanics living in the D.C. area. Schwartz is in the enviable position of being the only game in town, and she handles artists from different, even competing, labels.

"This is definitely a salsa market," says Schwartz. "Some major balladeers have come here without the right promotion and have bombed." The Washington metro-politan area, which includes D.C. and urban centers in Maryland and Virginia, has a heavy concentration of Central and South Americans, much of that migration caused by the political unrest in those areas of the world.

WMDO, an AM station, services the Washington area, under station manager Allan Klamer and program director Antonio Aguilar. Predictably, most of its programming is tropical dance music.

Salsa queen Celia Cruz has made stops in D.C. "She's a dream," says Schwartz. "And she was the only one who didn't think I was crazy when I said I was going to devote myself exclusively to the Latin market. Instead, she told me to go for it.'

Top Latin stars like Julio Iglesias and Jose Luis Rodriguez are now including Washington in their tour schedules. And the majors are sending their representatives around more frequently. Schwartz predicts that eventually Latin labels will have full-time representatives in the

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Jose Feliciano's recent signing with RCA Records marks the Puerto Rican balladeer's return to the label that earned him three gold albums in 1969 and 1970. Feliciano won a 1983 Grammy in the Latin pop category with an LP for Motown Latino, "Me enamore."

Currently, the artist is recording his first new RCA album, produced by Feliciano himself. The major has two Feliciano albums in its current catalog, "Encore! Jose Feliciano's Finest Performances" and "Los Grandes Exitos de Jose Feliciano.

New York-based publicist Harriet Wasser, who handles many of the city's top salsa artists, has written this column to express her feelings about Latin radio programming. She writes: "Although I know it all comes down to money, I smell some racism in the case of the radio stations removing salsa from their airwaves.
"The station owners probably have no real affection for

the music, and since it is regarded as a 'street' music, it is easy to disregard it. Even an artist of the caliber of Ruben Blades is getting no airplay in New York.

"I think New York needs some bilingual radio," concludes Wasser, "but it should be in the form of newscasts and talk shows." Notas welcomes comments from our readers on the issue of Latin radio programming.

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Spanish singer Paloma San Basilio has chosen Adams & Levine Inc. as her exclusive agents for her upcoming tour of the U.S., Puerto Rico and all Caribbean countries including Panama. San Basilio made her mark in the music world when she played the title role in the Spanish production of "Evita." Last year she and the whole "Evita" company toured Puerto Rico, Miami and Latin America. Her new album, "Paloma," will be released by Discos CBS at the end of the summer.

Syndicated tv show "Bravisimo" will present a compilation of its first two seasons early next month. Featured will be Anacani, Shabba-Doo Quinones, Fernando Allende, Tierra, Amanda Miguel, Paul Rodriguez, Los Lobos, Vicente Fernandez and Celia Cruz.

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	3	5	5	MAMMA Pavarotti (Mancini), London 411 959	
	4	4	23	PACHELBEL: Canon/FASCH: Trumpet Concerto Paillard Chamber Orch., RCA AGL1 5211	
	5	7	5	COME TO THE FAIR	
	6	26	5	Te Kanawa, Angel DS 38097 MAHLER: Symphony #4	
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	7	3	101	BACH: Goldberg Variations Glenn Gould, CBS IM 37779	
	8	6	23	BOLLING: Suite For Cello and Jazz Piano Trio Bolling, Yo-Yo Ma, CBS M 39059	
	9	9	15	BEETHOVEN: Cello Sonatas #'s 3 & 5 Yo-Yo Ma, Emanuel Ax, CBS Masterworks IM 39024	
	10	10	27	HANDEL: Water Music English Concert (Pinnock), DGG Archiv 410 525	
	11	12	5	THOMAS: Hamlet Milnes, Sutherland (Bonynge), London 410 184	
	12	11	251	PACHELBEL: Kanon Paillard Chamber Orchestra, RCA FRL 1-5468	
	13	13	44	J. S. BACH: Unaccompanied Cello Suites Yo-Yo Ma, CBS M/W I3M 37867	
	14	16	5	BRAHMS/SCHOENBERG: Piano Quartet Baltimore Symphony (Commissiona), Vox Cum Laude VCL 90066	<b>.</b>
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	22	24	3	HAYDN: 3 Trumpet Concertos Marsalis, CBS IM 39310	
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	38	28	5	WAGNER: Orchestral Highlights From The Ring	
	39	21	5	Vienna Philharmonic (Solti), London LDR 71112  BRAHMS: German Requiem  Chimas Symphony (Louine), BCA ARC 2 5002	
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(m)	5	10	STUCK ON YOU—Lionel Richie	36	36	7	17—Rick James (Gordy 1730(Motown)	69	74	3	CAN'T WAIT ALL NIGHT—Juice Newton (Richard Landis), B. Adams, J. Vallance; RCA 13863	
4	4	13	WHEN DOVES CRY—Prince  (Prince) Prince Warner Bros 7-3938	37	37	8	ted 4-04528(Epic)	<b>40</b>	98	N	ON THE DARK SIDE—John Caffery and the Beaver Brown Band (Kenny Vance) J. Cafferty; Scotti Bros. 4-04594(Epic)	
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### Dino Releases Benefit Album, Plans Tour

By BOB DARDEN

When talk in contemporary Christian circles turns to the piano, the name Dino Kartsonakis usually pops up. The five-time winner of the GMA Dove award, Grammy nominee, best-selling recording artist (with more than 20 albums to his credit) and popular arranger and composer is the pianist's pianist.

But Dino, as he is universally called, is about to be known for something else as well. He recently signed what is believed to be the first music contract of its kind: an exclusive \$3 million record and concert tour contract to benefit the starving millions in famine-plagued Africa.

According to Dr. Ted W. Engstrom, president of World Vision, an international Christian humanitarian agency, the contract calls for a benefit album and a six-city tour of Dino's Pianorama.

It might sound like an unusual venture for an artist best known for his lush orchestrations and lavish concerts, but Dino has been interested in it for years. "I've always been sympathetic to the problems of hungry children," he says, "especially after a series of concerts in India where I saw children starving to death in the streets.

"Then in 1982 my recording label, Light, assembled a record called 'Together' that featured songs from 10 different Christian artists. I was one of them. I understand the album did very well, raising something like \$2 million to fight world hunger."

After getting Light's blessing, Dino went into the studio earlier this summer in London with the London Philharmonic Orchestra and legendary conductor/arranger Ralph Carmichael. The result was the album "Great Is The Lord."

"We selected 10 songs, some contemporary, some traditional, that we did special arrangements for," Dino says happily, "including a reworking of 'Holy, Holy, Holy' done 'Chariots Of Fire'-style. The album has just been released, and already we've had a tremendous response to it. We premiered portions of it back in July during the Christian Booksellers' Assn. Convention and received a wonderful advance order.

"'Great Is The Lord' will be distributed through both Light and World Vision, which is another first of sorts. I'll also continue my own performance ministry as well, with more than 200 concerts already set for the year." Earlier this summer, Dino released "Just Piano... Praise III," also for Light.

The six Pianorama concerts, featuring Dino, six other renowned pianists and a 60-piece orchestra, begin Nov. 9 at the Long Beach Convention Center. Other dates are set for Seattle (February), Dallas (March),

Kansas City (April), Denver (May), and the tour ends up in June with a performance at the Kennedy Center in Washington.

The Juilliard-trained Dino got his start as the pianist for the late Kathryn Kuhlman. He has since become one of the best-known sacred pianists in the world.

Still, as an instrumental performer in a genre built around a lyric difference, Dino says there are some problems. "It is something of a challenge. You can get away with it in the secular world because you're just up there to entertain. To be gospel, there has to be a message.

"I find I have to rely on the Holy Spirit to work with me while I'm at the piano to help people find a peace, a joy and a power in the Lord Jesus Christ in the music. I'll talk between songs, setting up what we're about to do. But it is the Holy Spirit who communicates for me."

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The new Morada label kicked into full swing earlier this summer with eight new releases. The company, based in Los Angeles with a second office in Nashville, released Isaac Douglas' "God's Way," the Rev. Kenneth McEastland & the Monroe-Buena Vista Choir's "For You Lord," the self-titled "Sons Of The Stars," and an untitled album by Ricky Womack and the Christian Essence from Dallas, among others.

Blue Notes\_

### Lundvall Brings Back Blue Note Label

By SAM SUTHERLAND and PETER KEEPNEWS

A few weeks back, we posed some questions about what Bruce Lundvall's move from Elektra/Asylum to Capitol/EMI as president of a new New York-based label would mean for jazz in general—and for Lundvall's own Musician label and the vast Blue Note catalog, which has been languishing in the Capitol/EMI vaults for years, in particular (Blue Notes, June 16).

We caught up with Lundvall the other day, and we can shed some light on these questions. While the fate of Musician remains uncertain—negotiations for Capitol to buy the Musician masters from Elektra have been ongoing since Lundvall made his move—the news about Blue Note is much more definite, and very exciting.

That venerable label, Lundvall told us, will be reborn in January, not just as a reissue line but also as a home for both new and established jazz talent. A total of 30 Blue Note titles are planned for that first release: 20 reissues, five previously unissued albums from the vaults, and five newly recorded titles.

The 20 reissues, in keeping with the current fashion, will be new pressings packaged in the original covers. The pressing will be done in Germany using Teldec's Direct Metal Mastering process. Simultaneous audiophile cassette releases are planned, and Lundvall says he's also "looking into" the possibility of Blue Note CDs.

Lundvall isn't ready to reveal exactly what the 20 reissue titles or the five previously unissued ones, all of which are expected to retail for \$9.98, will be. But he told us it was safe to assume they'd include "essential" works by the likes of Bud Powell, Thelonious Monk and Miles Davis. Directing the reissue program is Michael Cuscuna.

As for the new recordings, Lund-vall was able to tell us about two: "The African Game," a big band recording by George Russell, and the debut album by Stanley Jordan, a young guitarist who was one of the surprise stars of the recent Kool Jazz Festival in New York. Lots of other jazz musicians, young and old, are being considered; the one thing Lundvall says he doesn't plan to put on Blue Note is "commercial crossover music."

"I want to go back to the original intent of the label," he told us.

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It seems hard to believe, but New Music Distribution Service (NMDS) is marking its 12th year of operation. Begun by Michael Mantler and Carla Bley as a not-forprofit division of the Jazz Composers' Orchestra Assn., NMDS has been the only consistent promotion and distribution outlet for artists on the commercial fringe.

Starting with a catalog of 98 records on 17 labels, NMDS now handles 3,500 recordings on 350 imprints. A measure of the company's success is that some of its earliest "non-commercial" labels, among them ECM and Black Saint, are now handled by maiors.

Despite its success—or perhaps because of it—keeping the wheels turning still requires constant greasing for NMDS. So the company will celebrate its birthday with a series of four benefit concerts at New York's Public Theatre this Sunday (26).

Among those slated to perform are NMDS-associated artists John Cage, Don Cherry, Henry Threadgill, Jamaaladeen Tacuma, Andrew Cyrille, Milford Graves, John Giorno, Butch Morris, Arto Lindsay, Ilhan Mimoroglu and, of course, Bley. Tickets for the shows, which run concurrently in blocks of two, are available for single performances or combination packages. Call the theatre at (212) 598-

7150 for more details.

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We've told you about the third annual Greenwich Village Jazz Festival, which kicks off Friday (24) with a free Washington Square Park concert by Benny Carter (Blue Notes, July 28). Here's a little more information on this ambitious undertaking.

The festival, sponsored by Dewar's

The festival, sponsored by Dewar's White Label, is essentially a cooperative effort on the part of the city's Greenwich Village jazz clubs, with \$10 festival passes providing reduced music charges at the participating venues. But there's also a jazz film series at the Bleecker Street Cinema, including the New York premieres of movies about Alberta Hunter, Cab Calloway and the late Machito; free afternoon lectures on jazz history at Sweet Basil; and a senior citizens' dance at a local church, featuring the Widespread Jazz Orchestra.

The festival runs through Labor Day. It concludes with a bang with an 12-hour presentation of new music at Sweet Basil that's free of charge to pass holders.

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2	2	7	SPYRO GYRA Access All Areas, MCA 2-6893	28	28	44	MICHAEL FRANKS Passionfruit Warner Bros 1-23962
3	11	7	EARL KLUG nking, Capitol ST-12323 DAVE GRUSIN	29	29	5	MICHEL PETRUCCIANNI 100 Hearts, George Wein Collection GW 3001
5	3	40	Night-Lines, GRP A-1006  DAVID SANBORN  Backstreet Warner Bros	30)	33	5	MICHAEL HEDGES Aerial Boundaries, Windham Hill WH-1032 (A&M)
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8	9	17	THE CRUSADERS Ghetto Blaster MCA 5429	33)	37	3	SERGIO MENDES Confetti A&M SP-4084
9	8	15	PAT METHENY Rejoicing, ECM 25004-1 (Warner Bros.)	34	25	112	GEORGE WINSTON Winter Into Spring, Windham Hill C 1019
10	10	17	STANLEY CLARKE Time Exposure Epic FE 38688	35	23	47	MANHATTAN TRANSFER Bodies And Souls, Atlantic
11	6	9	LEE RITENOUR Banded Together, Elektra 60358-1	36	39	5	80104-1 OSCAR PETERSON Travelin' On, Verve/MPS
12	12	17	STEPS AHEAD Modern Times Musician 60351-1 (Elektra)	37	27	70	Series 821663-1 (PolyGram)  JARREAU   Jarreau Warner Bros 1-23801
13	13	13	GEORGE HOWARD Steppin' Out, TBA TB 201 (Palo Alto)	38	38	46	SHADOWFAX Shadowdance Windham Hill WH-1029 (A&M)
14	15	50	HERBIE HANCOCK ● Future Shock Columbia FC 38814	39	MEN	EJUL	SONNY ROLLINS Sunny Days, Starry Nights Milestone M-9122 (Fantasy)
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17	16	38	LINDA RONSTADT A What's New. Asylum 60260 (Elektra)	42	42	5	MAKOTO Makoto, QWest 25111-1 (Warner Bros.)
18	19	17	BRANFORD MARSALIS Scenes In The City Columbia FC 38951	43	43	3	McCOY TYNER Dimensions Musician 60350 1 (Elektra)
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23	22	31	PIECES OF A DREAM Imagine This, Elektra 60270	47	47	13	VARIOUS ARTISTS Playboy Jazz Festival Musician 60298-1 (Elektra)
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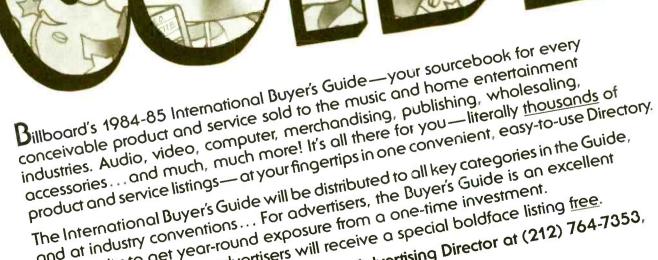
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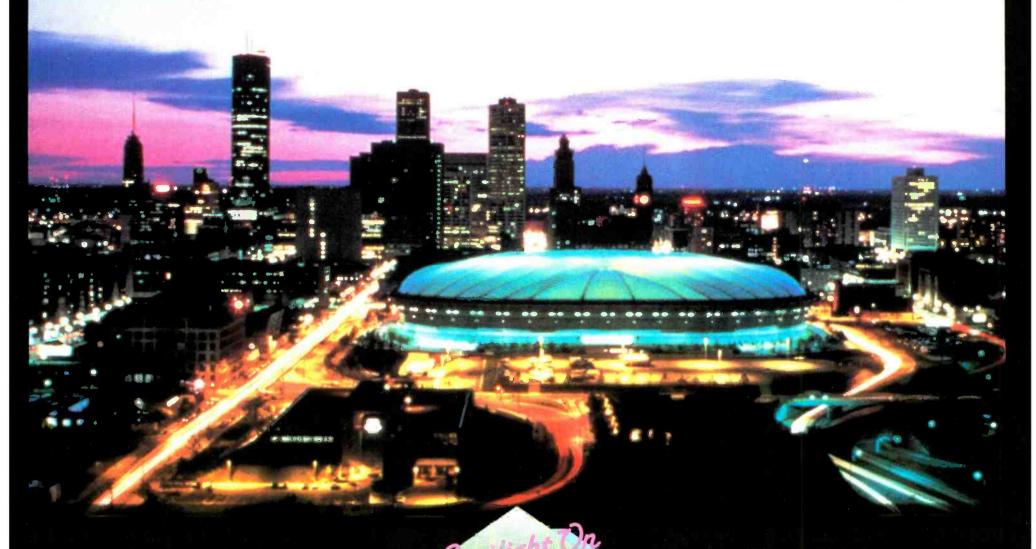


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Prince performs at the 1984 Minnesota Music Awards held at the Carlton. Photo: Billy Robin McFarland.

### By MOIRA McCORMICK

combination of talent and business is the major reason behind markets breaking out," says Doug Brown, president of Twin Cities talent booking/management firm Good Music Agency.

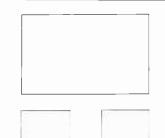
In the Twin Cities' case, that's as plausible an explanation

as any for its mushrooming music scene. Talent can be found in regional markets all over the country, but without savvy management, bookings and production, it stagnates and

But the Minneapolis area is certainly being heard from these days, due to one gentleman in particular—Prince Rog-

Let the current figures speak for themselves: "Purple Rain," Prince's semi-autobiographical feature film, grossed some \$12 million in its first week of release, dethroning "Ghostbusters" as the number one movie in the country. "When Doves Cry" became the fastest-selling single in Warner Bros. Records' history, and as this is written sits atop the Black Singles Charts, the Hot 100 and the Dance/Disco chart, further evidence that Prince's smoldering, funked-up rock has broken down black/white barriers. At the same time, the movie soundtrack album "Purple Rain," holds down the number one slot on the Top LPs and Black Albums Chart,—a five-way reign accomplished only once before, by

Moira McCormick is Billboard's Contributing Editor in



ON THE COVER

Top: Hubert H. Humphrey Metrodome at night. The Dome is home to baseball's pennant-chasing

Twins and playoffbound Vikings, as well as soccer's Strikers and hockey's North Stars. Left: The Landmark Center in St. Paul, built in 1894, now houses programs for performing and visual arts. Right: Nicollet Mall is a pedestrianoriented urban thoroughfare accented with flowers, trees, fountains, benches, heated bus shelters and sidewalks.

### Prince Lights Up Minnesota Marquee

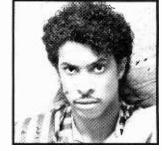
### TWIN TALENT: **Artists And Business Spark Market Breakouts**



The Girls.



Andre Cymone



Owen Husney of American Artists

Michael Jackson.

Morris Day and The Time.

Numbers aside, Prince's evident dedication to his hometown and its talent is commendable. He continues to develop a Twin Cities talent pool that just keeps on delivering

His Royal Badness has not only been instrumental in developing Twin Cities acts like Warner Bros. artists the Time and Appollonia (formerly Vanity) 6—both featured in "Purple Rain,"—as well as new project Sheila E. (a Bay Area native), but his touring band has spun off a pair of solo artists in their own right: bassist Andre Cymone and guitarist Dez Dickerson.

The Time has its own share of alumni as well. The Flyte Tyme production team of Jimmy Jam and Terry Lewis, both former Time members, has been attracting major album projects to Steve Wiese's Creation Audio studios in suburban Bloomington. And former Time guitarist Jesse Johnson recently inked a contract with A&M Records, the latest signing of managerial whiz Owen Husney.

Husney, who heads up American Artists management company and recording studio, is "five for five on signing acts," as he puts it. The first happened to be a callow unknown named Prince, back in 1975, for whom he wangled a Warner Bros, contract (they parted professional company a

Next came Sue Ann (Warner Bros.), Andre Cymone (Columbia) the Girls (Columbia), and now Jesse Johnson. Not to mention several of those artists own label projects: Cymone produces Evelyn King for RCA, as well as the Girls; and John-

son recently produced Janet Jackson for A&M.

Husney's guiding principle of management is "knowing when to hold back," the philosophy he first tried on a green Princeling before unleashing him on the world. In Husney's opinion, a good manager can get and keep a hit artist in Minneapolis without surrendering said artist to the West Coast. Contact with L.A. is essential, however, prompting Husney's monthly trips west, he says

An L.A. connection has helped keep national booking agency Variety Artists headquartered in Minneapolis for the last 10 years, according to president Gordon Singer. Variety's West Coast office, headed by Bob Engel, provides valuable proximity to the heart of the record industry, allowing the rest of the staff to remain in trouble-free Minneapolis.

"If you've got a telephone," theorizes Singer, "you're anywhere in the world."

Variety's roster encompasses both Variety Artists International, comprised of label acts, and "farm system" Excelsion Talent, whose roll call is up and coming local performers. Variety's artists include longstanding performers Tom Waits, Leon Redbone, John Prine, Steve Goodman, Pure Prairie League, and Doc Severinsen and Xebron, as well as relative upstarts like the Suburbs and the Wallets. A recent addition to the family, Weird Al Yankovic, has been particularly hot of late. "We're up to about 1,000 shows a year," notes Singer.

The aforementioned Good Music Agency dedicates itself to "the development of working bands," according to president Doug Brown. "We're committed to breaking the next

wave of talent." The Good Music Agency represents some "70 signed booking acts" to the tune of "\$8-1/2 million in live music last year," according to Brown. Area artists represented include Mary Jane Alm, Metro All-Stars, Michael James Band, Chameleon, and Daisy Dillman.

Good Music Management, a division of GMA, is described as "an artists development company that works with artists on everything that will advance their career, including video, ecording, staging, merchandising, and press," according to

Mike Gaffney, formerly of GMM.

Noticing a void in GMM in the promotion and marketing department, Gaffney founded a new division of Good Music Management entitled Positive Promotions. Gaffney and partner Suzanne Duran were instrumental in the regional success of the Metro All-Stars' "Prom Night" LP, working the record and receiving airplay over a six-state area, says Gaffney. The Metro All-Stars' manager is Paul Moe, president of Paul J. Moe Management and executive producer of the annual Minnesota Music Awards. Moe says he's as excited about Metro's good fortunes as he is about the prospects of client J.D. Steele, gospel singer and budding pop star. Three-time winner of the Minnesota Music Awards' best male vocalist category, Steele recently finished up an LP at American Artists studios. Prince's engineer David Rifkin and Moe co-produced the album, which also features Prince sideman-turned-soloartist Dez Dickerson on guitar and Matt Fink of Prince's band on keyboards.

Several local performers have utilized the facilities at American Artists' 24-track studio, which Owen Husney installed in an effort to "encourage artists' creativity without having to watch the clock." Andre Cymone, the Girls, and Janet Jackson have all recently laid down tracks there

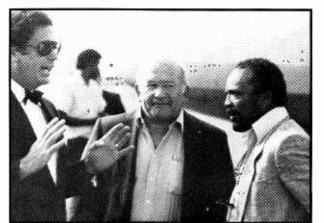
"I'm also planning on an American Artists record label by 1988," Husney promises, quoting, "The best soup takes the longest.'

Ex-Time members Jimmy Jam and Terry Lewis have their Flyte Tyme hit machine in high gear, operating out of Creations Audio with proprietor/chief engineer Steve Wiese. Past projects have included Climaxx (Solar), Real To Reel (Arista), Change (Atlantic), SOS Band (CBS/Tabu) and Cherrelle (CBS/Tabu). The pair just finished up local artist Alexander's debut album for CBS, as well as four tracks with Thelma Houston for RCA. It should be noted that these artists have been coming to Jam and Lewis in Minneapolis, not

"This year, Minneapolis will be dominating the charts," predicts Jimmy Jam. "Between Prince's, Andre's and our projects, we're almost there now."

Jimmy affirms that the Twin Cities' recording scene is picking up steam, but laments the lack of a "decent mastering facility and mixing studio . . . "We plan to remedy that situation ourselves," he adds cryptically, declining further explanation.

Other Twin Cities studios are beginning to take on higher profiles. The Minnesota Public Radio-owned Studio M has al-(Continued on page TC-18)



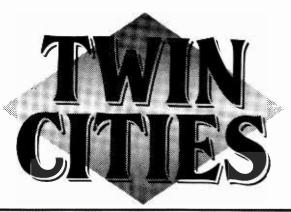
Irwin Jacobs, left, 1984 host chairman of the Academy of Achievement & chairman of Jacobs Industries, with

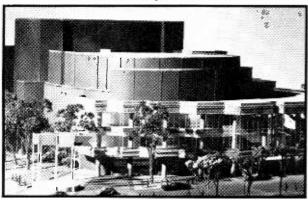


A&M/Gold Mountain group Fairchild in concert.



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Architectural model of the Ordway Musical Theatre, St. Paul, opening Jan. 1985.

### By MOIRA McCORMICK

he word most frequently heard in describing Minneapolis-St. Paul's concert scene is "stable." Operators of Twin Cities arenas, theatres, and clubs, as well as concert promoters, agree that live music is selling as well here as it ever has—though many concur that economic straits over the past few years have necessitated more selectivity in choosing talent.

ing talent.
"Concerts are our number one moneymaker," affirms talent coordinator Barb Kurrelmeier of the St. Paul Civic Center (18,000), which along with the Met Center (16,000) in suburban Bloomington shares the bulk of touring arena acts.

"This year's looking particularly good—bookings are about the same, maybe 10% higher, but more shows are selling."

St. Paul Civic hosts approximately 20-25 concerts per year, says Kurrelmeier, adding that upcoming dates include Chicago, Rick Springfield, Pretenders, and Elton John. Fellow arena the Met Center's 16 concerts last fiscal year were characterized by the likes of the Police, ZZ Top, Ozzy Osbourne, and Supertramp, with Neil Diamond holding down a three-day engagement earlier this month.

Come December, St. Paul Civic intends to give the Carlton Celebrity Theatre (see accompanying article) a run for its money when the Civic's 5,000-seat Auditorium opens. The new room's "Vegas-style dinner theater" is expected to compete head to head with the Carlton's showroom fare, according to Kurrelmeier.

Both St. Paul Civic Center and the Met Center (which ac-

Both St. Paul Civic Center and the Met Center (which according to general manager Frank Jirik experienced a record year in ticket sales and revenue in fiscal 1984) utilize outside promoters including the two major Twin Cities promoters, Richard Shapiro (Jam Productions/Company 7) and Rand Levy (Schon Productions).

Shapiro, who founded what he describes as "the first talent booking agency outside of New York and L.A." in 1963, says a decision four years ago to "stop going for the total win or loss" prompted his subsequent partnership with Chicagobased Jam Productions. Shapiro co-promotes shows under Jam's aegis, while his Company 7 serves as corporate structure.

Shapiro promotes around 60 shows a year in Twin Cities and other Midwestern burgs (this year he's been responsible for Bruce Springsteen's three-day kickoff stand at St. Paul Civic, as well as shows by Judas Priest, Scorpions, Duran Duran, and Culture Club). Both he and Schon Productions' Levy have equal access to any Twin Cities facility ("it doesn't make sense to have an exclusive in this market, because there are two major venues," claims Shapiro). He says he utilizes venues from St. Paul Civic's size on down to cozy rooms like the 2,800-seat Orpheum Theatre.

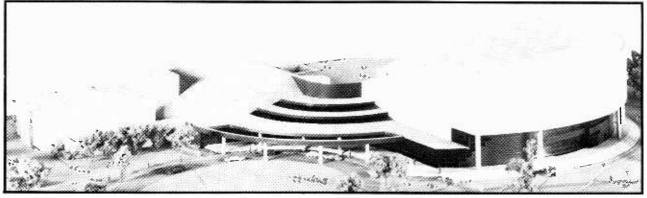
Acknowledging the "steadiness" of the Twin Cities concert business, Shapiro nevertheless expresses regret that "rock'n'roll is the only game you can make a living on here—only a little country and almost no r&b sells in this markket." He also bemoans the lack of a major outdoor venue in the Minneapolis-St. Paul area, but says he's in the process of remedying that situation. "I now have the funding for a \$1-1/2 million facility," Shapiro states, "and I'm currently looking at possible sites." If all goes well, the multi-purpose facili-

Live Music Scene On Upswing

### TWIN CONCERTS: Selectivity Keys Stability



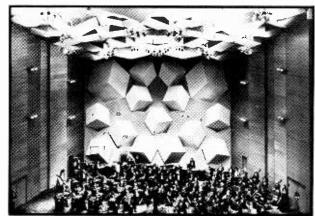
Minneapolis Auditorium and Convention



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The Minnesota Orchestra, conducted by Neville Marriner, ranks among the nation's top five. The downtown Minneapolis concert hall was designed specifically for orchestra acoustical requirements.

ty could open in summer 1986, he theorizes.

In his darker moments, Shapiro muses that "the Randy Levys and Richard Shapiros might not be in the concert business five years from now," having been squeezed out by the major corporations currently underwriting rock tours. "The corporations have far more to gain (by directly promoting) than the concert promoter; their ad dollars are directly recouped," he points out.

But that's speculation (of the sort that competitor Levy disagrees with entirely). And Shapiro notes that his business is up 20% over last year. The byword, it seems, is "selective."

'You can't take lesser-known acts and sell 15,000 seats, like you used to," Shapiro cautions. Avoiding a potential bomb, he says, involves "doing research, checking record sales and radio rotation, compiling it all—and then throwing it away and making a gut-level decision."

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Schon Productions' Rand Levy, who promotes 40-50 shows a year in the Twin Cities and five other Midwestern states, prefers the phrase "roller coaster" to "stable" in describing the Twin Cities concert industry. Therefore, in addition to promoting shows like Elvis Costello, Aerosmith, and .38 Special, Levy and partners are involved in "horizontal concerns" such as local label Waterhouse Records (Michael Bloomfield, Roy Buchanan) and local management firm Waterworks (the Suburbs, Bingham-McCabe Band).

Concerts are still dominant at Schon, however, and Levy's particularly pleased with his newest venue: Navy Island, a 15,000-cap. outdoor venue in the middle of the Wabasha river. "At the moment it's all lawn seating, which we may have to live with for a year," Levy notes, "but we plan to put in 5,000 seats under a roof, leaving lawn capacity at 10,000."

The Minnesota State Fair operates as a temporary multiple outdoor venue from Aug. 23-Sept. 3 this year. Its talent roster includes such relatively atypical fair acts as Rod Stewart, Julio Iglesias, Huey Lewis & the News, and George Burns.

Renowned for its high level of cultural arts events, the Twin Cities offers a full menu of classical and jazz concerts at Minneapolis Orchestra Hall (2,543) and the Univ. of Minnesota's Northrop Auditorium (4,800). The Minnesota Orhestra under the direction of Neville Marriner presents its 89th sea-

son from September through May, according to Orchestra Hall spokesperson Deborah Blakely. "The hall is in use 97% of the year." she notes

St. Paul's Ordway Music Theatre, currently under construction, expects to open its doors in January as home to the St. Paul Chamber Orchestra, the Minnesota Opera and the Schubert Club. According to executive director Richard Snyder, the Ordway's two performing halls (1,815 and 317 seats) are booked through spring, including 20 nights of the Minnesota Orchestra as well as jazz, pop and dance artists.

Even the prestigious 20-year old Guthrie Repertory Theater (1,400) gets into the act, utilizing its Monday "dark nights" between legitimate theater presentations to feature light pop, comedy, and jazz artists such as the Roches, Leo Kottke, Spyro Gyra, and Pee Wee Herman. "Music events sell well here primarily because of the theater's superb acoustics," says Guthrie spokesperson Anne Baker.

Acoustics, atmosphere, sight lines, video setup and talent menu all figure in the success of Minneapolis' premier rock club First Avenue (1,200), currently featured in Prince's hit film "Purple Rain."

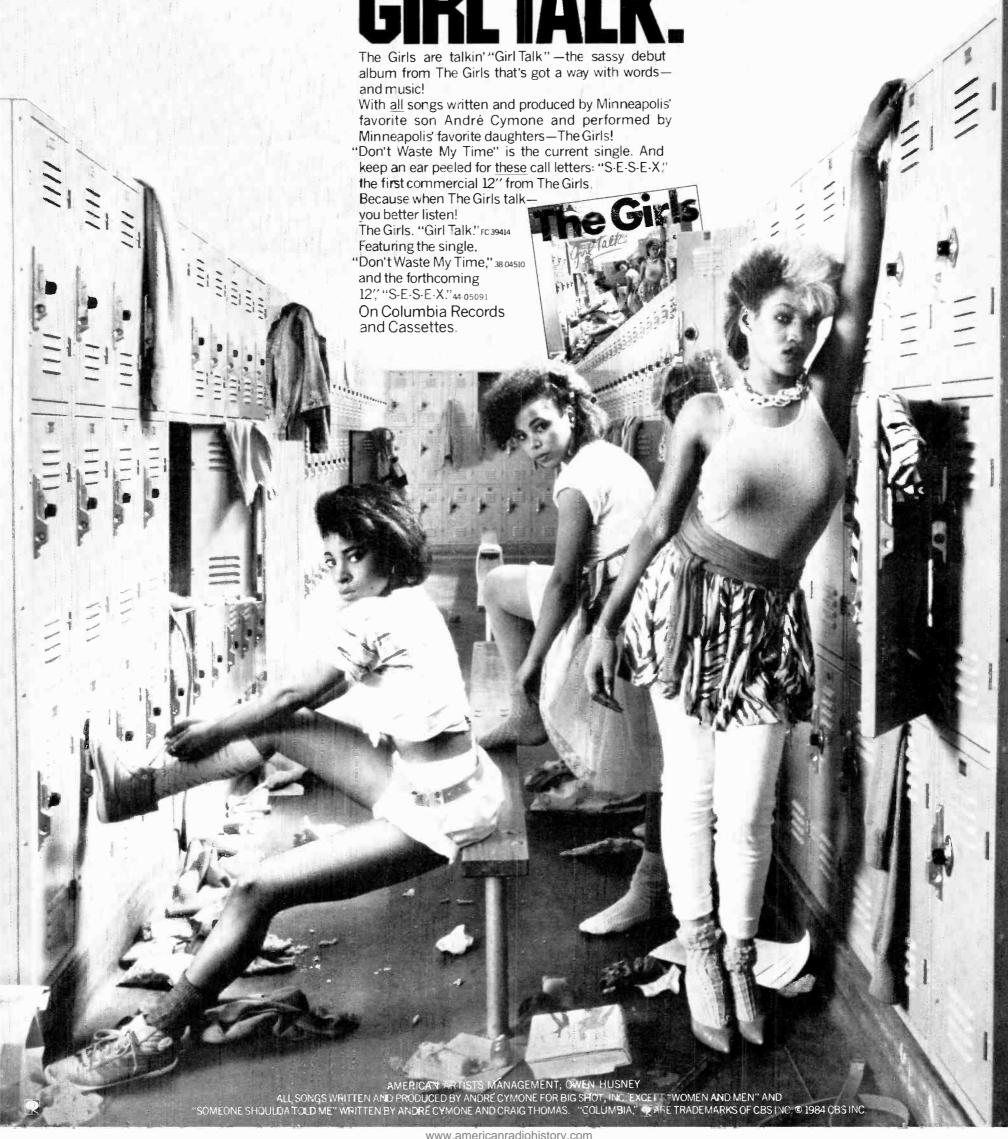
Minneapolis' favorite son and pop visionary spends a lot of time hanging out at First Avenue, in fact, because, according to assistant manager Chrisse Dunlap, "Prince likes it here."

"But this club was successful before and after Prince," Dunlap stresses. Under the direction of manager/booker Steve McCLellan, the former Greyhound bus depot serves up national touring acts (Big Country, Southside Johnny, Tina Turner) on Mondays and Wednesdays; "Twilight Cabaret" (comedy, dance, theatre) on Thursdays; "track nights" of solo artists performing to taped accompaniment (Grace Jones, Mamie Van Doren) on Sundays; up and coming local bands most other nights; and rising national acts (Rain Parade, Violent Femmes, Comateens) at the adjoining music room 7th Street Entry (200)

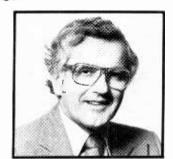
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National talent can also be heard and seen at the Cabooze on Minneapolis' West Bank which offers blues'n'boogie (Savoy Brown, Roy Buchanan) and spotlights promising locals; Wilebski's Blues Saloon in St. Paul, which caters to the tastes of classic blues fans with the likes of Etta James and Willie Dixon; and the divey 400 Bar, which showcases local legends like bluesman Willie Murphey on a weekly basis.

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### By TIM HOLMES

Despite a harsh climate and relatively small urban population, the Minneapolis-St. Paul area is home base for some of the leading companies in the ever-burgeoning home entertainment field. Between them, they cover the most significant aspects of home entertainment: product creation, development, marketing and distribution.

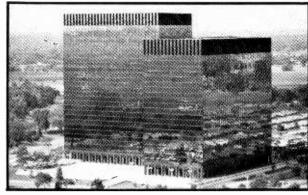
3M-Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing-introduced the world's first commercially acceptable mass produced audio tape, Scotch No. 100, in 1947. The Minnesota-based firm, which was founded in 1902 for the purpose of providing abrasives to eastern manufacturers, quickly diversified and has become a major innovative force in 20th century

3M is characterized by the rather quirky specialty of coatings. They developed the world's first waterproof sandpaper in the 1920s; invented making tape and the Scotch brand pressure-sensitive tapes in the 1920s and 1930s; reflective

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### TWIN BUSINESS: **Leading Companies Pace Growth** In Product Creation, Development,

**Marketing And Distribution** 



CDC Building in Bloomington.

sheeting for advertising and highway markings, magneticsound recording tape in the 1940s; introduced the Thermo-Fax copying process, Scotchbrite cleaning pads, and invented videotape in the 1950s; expanded into medical and dental products in the 1960s; and entered the field of digital sound recording in the 1970s.

The applications of 3M products extend over 10 defined

major markets served by the company: communication arts, construction and maintenance, consumer market, electronics/electrical manufacturing, health care, industrial production, office training and business, safety and security, transportation equipment manufacturing and maintenance, and voice, video and data communications. In 1981, 3M organized its divisions into four business sectors: electronic and information technologies, industrial and consumer, life sciences and graphic technologies.

In 1983, 3M was awarded an Emmy by the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences for the creation of video tape 25 years ago. Their No. 420 professional video tape, introduced in 1975, was made to cut electromagnetic noise almost by half, so that second generation tapes were indentical to the original color signal. Their current line of Scotch VHS and Scotch Beta tapes feature micro-fine anachron cobalt-encapsulated ferric oxide particles, a static barrier back-

ing additive and a precision transport mechanism.

3M offers the broadest line of audio, video and data-storage products in the industry. On Feb. 8th of this year, 3M and NASA announced that 3M would be the first nonaerospace company to do material processes research on the Space Shuttle, meaning that 3M will be trying to create entirely new materials in space. Their commitment to the Space Shuttle is part of a long-range plan leading to 3M eventually working on the permanently-manned space station.

In addressing 3M's plans in space, George Hegg, group vice president of 3M's Memory Technologies Group, has said, "Our objective is to develop technologies for commercial use 10 to 20 years down the road . . . In the future, videotape is going to seem like child's play . . . We're going up there to look for applications in the fields of electronics, im-We're going up aging science, memory technologies, medical science, adhesives and coatings.

Speaking on the future of the magnetic media industry, Hegg wrote, "Ours is a technology-driven industry. It's a business noted for a remarkable proliferation of new products; by a swiftly increasing universe of users; and by a demand for higher and higher quality and more and more user storage capacity . . . Home consumer demand for memory technologies is now accelerating as fast as commercial demand did 15 years ago."

3M's role in home entertainment encompasses the invention of hardware and software—audio and video cassettes, floppy disks, record and audio care products. They are very much a consumer-oriented company and have recently of-fered a buyer protection plan for first-time VCR buyers who purchase Scotch video cassettes when buying recorders.

It is predicted that four million consumers will purchase VCRs in 1984. The electronic memory industry, worth over \$16 billion in annual sales around the world and a growth rate of 25%, is already a larger industry than semi-conductors. Edoardo Pieruzzi, vice president of 3M's Magnetic Audio/Video Products Division, spoke about 3M's corporate strengths:"3M can supply a wide array of hardware products associated with this industry. Equally, if not more importantly, we can supply magnetic memory for systems ranging from audio and videocassettes through data cartridges, data diskettes, optical media, and, very soon, magneto-optical media ... Our research and developemnt departments are currently bringing 'next-generation' technologies to fruition. In addition to magneto-optical systems, 3M is developing advanced particulate and isotropic media; sputtered thin-film perpendicular recording, and evaporated thin-film logitudinal recording ... We are committed to service. We have



Outside Musicland Group headquarters, from left: Belinda Carlisle of Go-Go's, Musicland publicist Jim Haldeman, Go-Go's Jane Weidlin, A&M's Billy Gilbert and IRS associate director of promotion Keith Altomare, Photo: James A.

quality assurance engineers working in the field with customers, translating real-world-use concerns into production quality guidelines to assure that our products are the very

K-tel International is best-known for their familiar compilation albums of hits licensed from other record companies. While their mainline compilation albums remain the mainstay of their business, K-tel has in recent years developed and recorded original concept albums, and is currently developing its own line of home video games and entertainment comput-

K-tel merchandises its own records and cassettes, with cassettes currently accounting for 80% of "album" sales. Their marketing strategy is based on limited-period intensive spot television and radio advertisements created by K-tel.

K-tel achieved international success with such original concept albums as "Hooked On Classics," "Hooked On Swing," "Mini Pops"—well-known hits sung by British child performers, and "Bird Dance"—which K-tel discovered at Germany's Oktoberfest.

K-tel is creating a series of 26 half-hour syndicated tv shows in conjunction with MGM-UA entitled "Kids Incorporated." The show will feature children singing the hits of today incorporated in a narrative format.

Dominion Music, a division of K-tel's U.S. operating company, markets a line of budget and medium-priced records and tapes in the U.S. Dominion has an extensive and eclectic catalog, offering various artists greatest hits compilations, comedy and classical music, exercise records—including a highly successful Debbie Reynolds workout—country and soul records. Dominion has pioneered a novel greatest hits approach on some of their releases—artists are stylistically paired and each given a side of greatest hits, e.g. The Kinks/ The Yardbirds, Frankie Laine/Johnnie Ray, Frankie Avalon/

K-tel has recently entered the video game arena with their XONOX series, an innovative "Double-Ender" line. Each cartridge contains two games and sells for the price of one. XONOX are compatible with a number of the major game-

playing computer systems on the market.

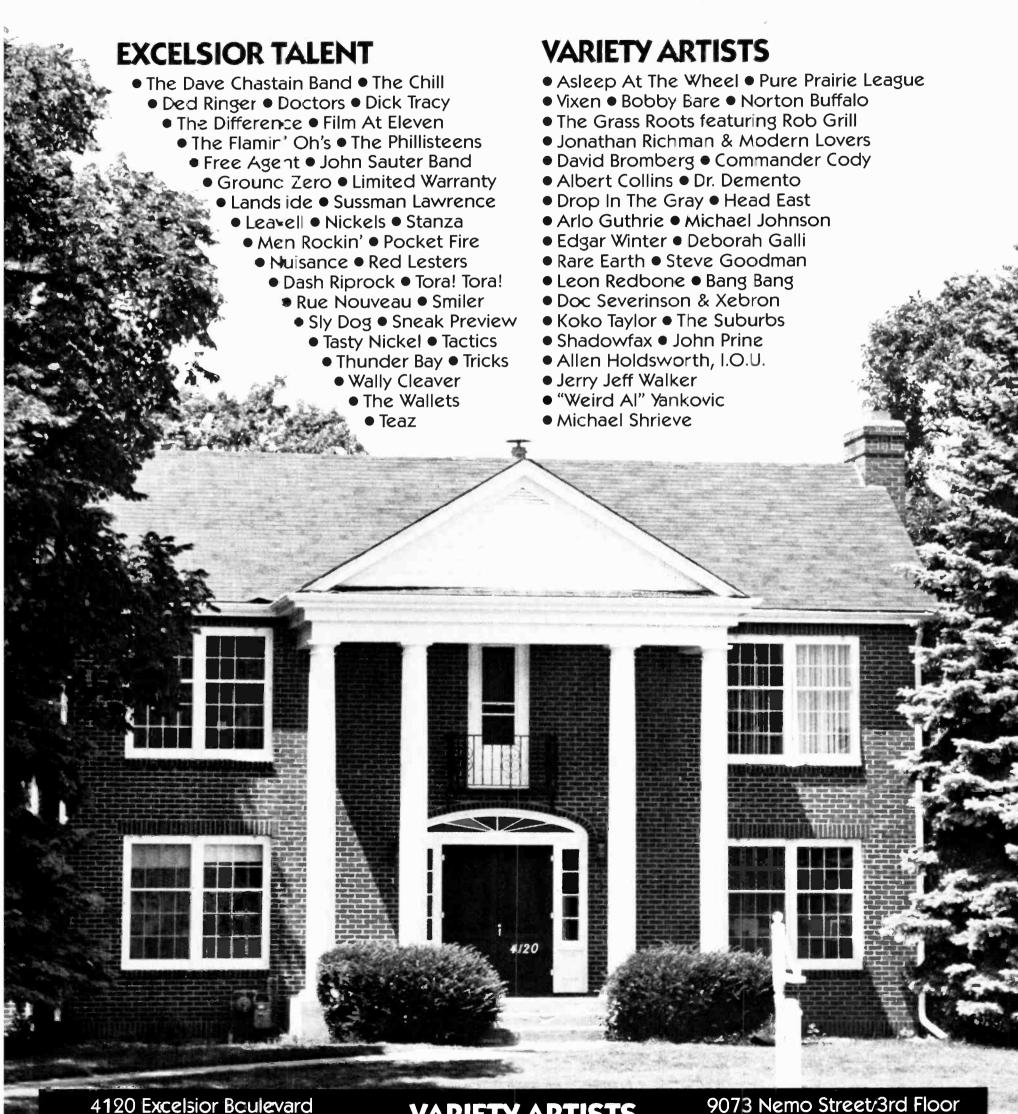
Currently K-tel is putting out a two album collection of "Motown Love Songs," featuring hits by Michael Jackson, the Commodores, Diana Ross, Smokey Robinson, the Miracles, Temptations, Four Tops, Marvin Gaye and others. They are also marketing "Let's Beat It" featuring "The World's Greatest Recording Artists Teaming Up to Fight Leu-kemia and Cancer." The album features Michael Jackson, Paul McCartney, Cyndi Lauper, the Cars, Olivia Newton John, Journey, Asia, Quiet Riot, Billy Joel, Men At Work, the Police, Pat Benatar, Daryl Hall & John Oates, and Dan Fogelberg. The artists and publishers are donating all royalties to the Martel Foundation for cancer research. "Every album or cassette sold is a step towards the cure.'

K-tel, originally a Canadian company, moved headquarters to Minneapolis because of its proximity to Winnipeg. The stayed because the Twin Cities are an "excellent distributing

Lieberman Enterprises is an entertainment software company, a major rackjobber servicing more than 2,500 outlets in retail chains throughout the country, the inventory of products delivered and turned over by Lieberman includes records, audio and videotapes (movies, music, instructional, children's), Compact Discs, computer software and accessories. Lieberman operates a retail one-stop in Portland, Ore. and jukebox one-stops in Minneapolis, Kansas City, Missouri, and Indianapolis.

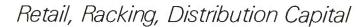
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Probably nowhere is the Twin Cities' prominence in the record industry illustrated so dramatically as in the area of retail, racking, and distribution.

It's said that some 30% of the country's record/tape business is channeled through Minneapolis-St. Paul, via rackjobbing giants like Lieberman Enterprises, national retail chains like 425-unit Musicland and 213-unit Target, and swiftgrowing newcomers like distributor/one-stop/racker Navarre Corp. And when racking colossus Pickwick International was at its height of operation, that figure was reportedly placed at above 40%.

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"Why Minneapolis?" is a question frequently directed at
Twin Cities retail/rack executives. The answers are varied:
central location, a strong corporate climate, and just plain
luck are but a few.

"Everybody got healthy here through good competition, not by beating each other up in price wars," states Ira Heilicher, chief of the 16-store Great American Music/Wax Museum chain and son of industry pioneer Amos Heilicher.

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"We're respectful of each other's customer base," he continues. "Musicland didn't open in a mall where there was a Record Shop (a 25-store chain headquartered in Minneapolis). Great American Music won't chase a Target sale with a sale of our own."

Most other retail operators agree with Heilicher's assessment of the Twin Cities' retail climate. John Farr, general manager of the record department of the Target discount chain, terms the overall atmosphere as "peaceful coexistence, with competition."

"Minneapolis is one of the few towns where there are sensible enough people to know that it doesn't take away from your business if someone else is doing well," concurs Keith Covart of one-stop/retailer Electric Fetus.

Heilicher's Great American Music/Wax Museum chain is

### TWIN SERVICES: Vital Concentration Of Buying Power



Go-Go's Belinda Carlisle and Jane Weidlin with Musicland president Jack Eugster. Photo: James A. Steinfeld.

the largest independent retailer in the area, with nine Great American stores in mall locations and seven street-located Wax Museum outlets over a seven-county metropolitan area. "We've kept the stores in Minnesota," says Heilicher, "because if there's a problem you need only drive for 30 minutes to correct it."

The seven-year old Great American/Wax Museum chain is the latest venture of the pioneering Heilicher clan. During the mid-'40s, brothers Amos and Dan Heilicher parlayed a record distrtibution business into a rackjobber and retailer, and eventually merged with East Coast label Pickwick Records to form Pickwick International.

In 1977, the Heilichers left Pickwick, which was recently absorbed by Detroit-based racker Handleman. The first Great American Music store opened in August of '77, and the six-unit Wax Museum chain was acquired in October 1981

The Heilichers' Vinyl Solution one-stop opened in March 1979, according to Ira. Beginning with "200 best-selling LP and tape titles," Vinyl Solution now services 250 accounts

and carries 5,000 LP titles, 3,200 cassette titles (soon to increase with the imminent move from a 7,000-to 12,000-square foot warehouse) and 300 Compact Disc titles.

Heilicher says their wholesale operation has increased six times its volume since the first of the year (with hefty competition, he says, from locally-based Navarre Corp. and Electric Fetus). Business as a whole now breaks down 50-50 between wholesale and retail, he adds. The retail group's volume itself is up 20% over last year, says Heilicher, a trend he expects to continue. "Our slogan is '8.5 in '85'—and that's a projection, not a goal," Heilicher promises.

For the titanic retailer Musicland Group, 1983 was a ban-

For the titanic retailer Musicland Group, 1983 was a banner year as well—"in excess of \$300 million," according to president Jack Eugster.

Formerly a division of Pickwick International, the Musicland Group was formed as an independent company in 1980, a division of the American Can Corp. which bought Pickwick in 1977. The retail group now encompasses 346 Musicland stores, 61 Sam Goody outlets, and 19 Discount Records units, as well as the last two remaining Harmony Huts in Washington D.C., according to Eugster.

The Musicland Group itself accounts for some 6% of total record business in the U.S., Eugster says. Other forms of software are currently being tested in outlets around the country, he adds, including Compact Discs ("we see that market expanding"), and video software (all stores sell blank videotape, 150 carry video disks, 250 stores sell music video, and 6-10 selected outlets are set to test video rentals within the next month).

Rentals, notes Eugster, were attempted in mall stores in 1981 and failed; "free-standing locations should prove more profitable," he says. Also undergoing evaluation, Eugster adds, is computer software, currently doing only "fair" business in 100 selected outlets.

Another more recent Twin Cities-based success story concerns Target, the discount chain whose record department doubled its gross margin by eliminating rackjobber service and buying direct from manufacturers.

According to record division general manager John Farr, Target had bought product from racks since 1962. Upon (Continued on page TC-20)



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By MARTIN KELLER

hat's in a name?" is a question that local and national buyers of two Minnesota-based sound, lighting and staging companies no longer have to ask when working with Naked Zoo Enterprises Inc. and Southern Thunder Sound Inc. Although the former sound like a rollicking swinger's club in New York, the latter some Dixieland audiophile's club, both Naked Zoo and Southern Thunder have proven to be the most reliable production goods and services operations in the land of 10,000 lakes and beyond. Naked Zoo ranks among the major businesses nationally, doing "98.5%" of their work outside Minnesota, according to its founder David Fish. At a local level, in civic centers and arenas, at state and county fairs, hotels, and bars, Southern Thunder predominates, says Art Welter, president and dispatcher at Southern Thunder Sound. Both companies have a growing economic

profile.

David Fish started Naked Zoo with two other friends when he was 17, supplying to local and national touring acts a psychedelic slide and strobe show—"a lot of gimcrackery effects"—to match the company's somewhat mind-blowing moniker. From a dream, and an initial investment of \$1,000, with absolutely no technical or theatrical training, the three partners went on to become one of the most regarded production companies in the business. Fish bought out his buddies and watched Naked Zoo grow into a company worth millions of dollars, spread over four separate operationslighting, sound, staging and trucking. Each department handles its own affairs, Fish notes ("the trucks alone are worth two million dollars").

Martin Keller is a Twin Cities critic and writer for the Twin Cities Reader

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**TWIN TOWERS:** Naked Zoo & Southern Thunder



Staging by Naked Zoo Enterprises, St. Paul.

Located on 12,000 square feet of land in a hidden section of South St. Paul, the 35-person Zoo is appropriately selfdescribed by Fish as "the quiet giant" that last year did over 600 shows and this year will handle the production chores for the Reagan-Bush re-election campaign, besides doing its music, conventions, and other production jobs. Naked Zoo also has a Las Vegas office, mostly for storage and shipping that is headed by Michael Kane, one of Fish's founding cohorts

"I like to keep a low profile," the 29-year-old company head explains as he descibes Naked Zoo's assets and clients. They offer two types of sound systems, one designed for venues with 5,000-10,000 seats, the other for the 10,000-20,000 seat houses. The first is an active four-way stereo modular system that can be stacked or flown on an 8 x 12foot PA platform, or a combination of both, and utilizes an elaborate assortment of sound, console, effects, monitor and miscellaneous places in the package.

The second system is an active four-way stereo unit with 24 full range cabinets. It was designed to fit in a standard trailer width and features an innovative new concept for hanging the system in larger arenas, this, in turn, saves labor and transportation costs. Like Naked Zoo's other sound system, the second system, also contains the necessary monitor



Southern Thunder units



and console requirements. All of Zoo's equipment is manufactured by them "from start to finish

Since lighting is Fish's more profitable subdivision at Naked Zoo, he relies on state of the art developments. One particular new lighting system takes up less space, is easier to assemble and takes less time and labor and eliminates nuts and bolts of the older systems. No tools are required to set the newest system in motin.

Fish boasts that Naked Zoo is one of the few companies that can truly call itself "a full production business" and the staging end of his enterprise helps support his claim. Offering three stage sizes-from the Super Roof, used at the (Continued on page TC-16)

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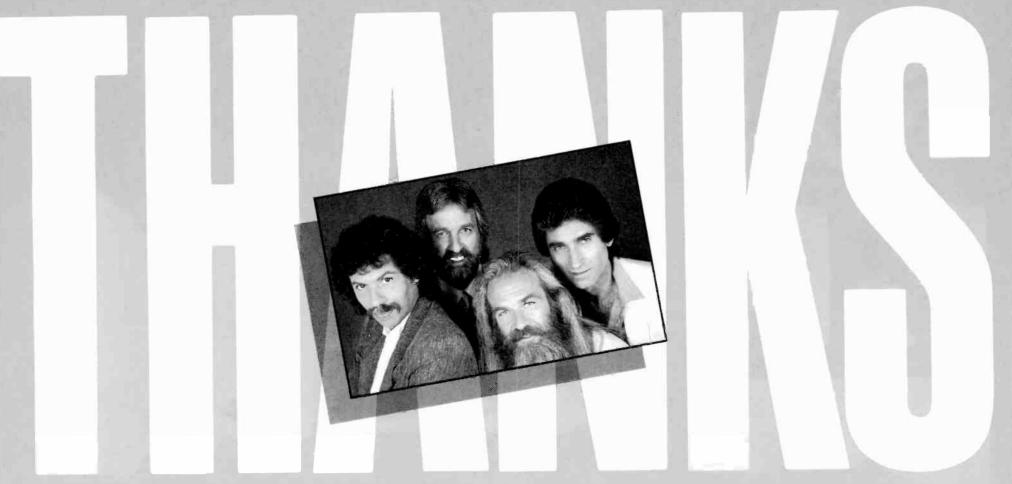
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## TWIN







Carlton president Karen Olson and Perry Como.



The Oak Ridge Boys. Photos: Billy Robin McFarland.

he Carlton Celebrity Dinner Theater in suburban Bloomington is "home away from Vegas" to the nation's top showroom entertainers, but it's much more than that.

According to Karen Olson, co-owner with husband Ken of the 2,100-seat nightclub, over 250 performers have plied their trade on the Carlton's stage since its opening in February 1979. In addition, the theater regularly hosts awards shows, fundraisers product displays, horse exhibitions, fashion shows, new car exhibits and even wedding receptions.

But it's the talent lineup that's the main reason behind the Carlton's impressive track record: gross ticket sales last year were upward of \$10 million, says Olson, and "every year it keeps getting better." Over half a million paying customers pass through the Carlton's portals each year, she adds.

The Carlton's talent budget is reportedly among the top 10 in the country, says Olson, although she declines to quote a figure. Some engagements, however, have run as high as \$250,000.

Performers at the Carlton run the show business gamut from Alabama to Sandler & Young to Red Skelton to Laura Branigan, with the emphasis on country, comedy, and Vegas entertainers, says Olson. Return rate on Carlton performers is at least 90%, she adds.

Perennial favorites the Oak Ridge Boys have performed a record 72 shows at the Carlton over its five years of existence, Olson notes. Other popular return performers include Liberace, Perry Como, Dolly Parton, Wayne Newton, Bob Hope, Rodney Dangerfield, and Gladys Knight & the Pips.

"We have a great deal of variety in our talent lineup," says Olson. "We not only sell country, comedy, contemporary and Vegas performers, but jazz and black acts also. We've done very well with Wynton Marsalis, Maynard Ferguson, Buddy Rich, the Isley Brothers, and Kool & the Gang."

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Around 50 artists averaging three to four nights per engagement appear annually at the Carlton, which works out to approximately 30 shows a month, according to Olson. Most entertainers perform one show per weeknight and two on weekends at 8:00 and 11:00 pm. Some, like the Mills Brothers, the Lettermen, Debbie Reynolds, and Richard Simmons, even do matinees. "There are often requests for matinees with other artists," Olson notes, "but if they prefer not to do them, we prefer keeping them rested and happy."

Ticket prices for Carlton shows in the Celebrity Room range from \$9.95-\$29.95 on the main floor and from \$6-\$18 in the balcony. Dinner is \$12 and includes entree, vegetable, salad, rolls, and hot drink, with extra charge for apetizers, dessert, and cocktails.

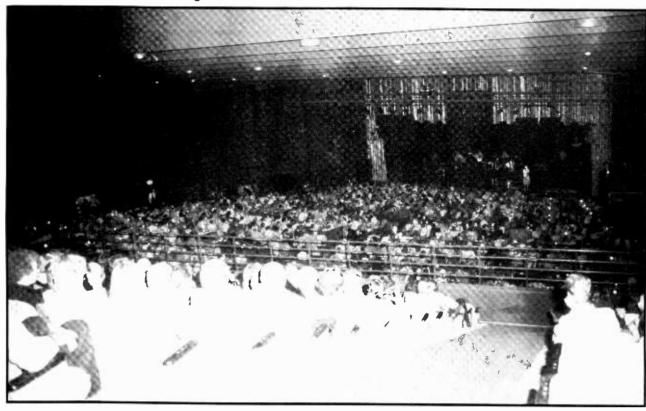
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"There's no drink minimum for any show here," remarks Olson. "It's a dinner-date crowd, and it's not the place to overserve." Eight bars dot the main room for more efficient service, she notes.

The 62,000-square foot structure that is the Carlton Celebrity Theater was originally built 20 years ago by Minnesota Vikings owner Max Winter as the world's first and only 5,000-seat pro bowling arena, recalls Olson. It folded after three months and the building remained boarded up for 15 years

### Fifth Anniversary Of Olsons' Unique Venue

### Carlton Celebrity Dinner Theater: 'Home Away From Vegas' To Nation's Top Showroom Entertainers



Ken and Karen Olson bought the facility in 1978 for \$2 million, and began to turn it into the Twin Cities first Vegasstyle nightclub.

"When we first opened, we had no heat or water," Karen recalls with a chuckle. "We brought bottled water to make coffee and used the Howard Johnson's restrooms. All calls were forwarded to our home, and I'd often find myself taking reservations, half asleep, at 2 am."

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Mel Tillis opened the room Feb. 23, 1979 to a full house, and business has been booming ever since, says Olson.

An aggressive marketing strategy is credited with much of the Carlton's success, she notes. "People have no idea how much marketing and advancing we do," Olson sighs. "They think we're just lucky."

The Carlton's monthly advertising budget runs a whopping \$70,000-\$75,000, says Olson. Radio ads run on over 40 regional stations over a five-state area, and even Canadian provinces Ontario and Manitoba are targeted. "We spend \$2,000 a day on media buys," she says.

Much of the Carlton's marketing strategy comes courtesy

Much of the Carlton's marketing strategy comes courtesy of the IBM 3400 computer that's been in use for the last three years (soon to change to an even more efficient 3600 model).

"Through the computer, we have an order history of everyone who's ever purchased a ticket here," explains Olson. "We know, for example, that the average customer returns three to four times a year, spending an average of \$52 each time." Mailings are keyed to the fact that 40% of the Carlton's guests come from 100 or more miles away, and regions can be targeted as to their overall musical preference via a cross-check of ticket buyers' locales.

"We have 400 season-ticket holders, at a minimum of 12 shows per season." Olson adds.

An in-house sales staff pursues corporate and group sales, as well as coordinating the special events (benefits, awards, fashion shows, etc.)



Cindy Black, Carlton public relation director, Wynton Marsalis, and Karen Olson.

Olson particularly lauds the value of group sales, she says. "They stimulate interest in the theater itself, and by bringing in a new cross section of people they can stimulate sales for a particular artist," she points out. "These people become the new record buyers, the new movie goers. Once you've seen a performer live, you feel you know them."

Special events, such as political and medical fundraisers, Olson adds, can bring in from \$40,000 to \$100,000 a night for the specified charity. A recent example was Donnie and Marie Osmond for Children's Miracle Network."(Charity organizers) can never buy artists as cheaply for one night as we can sell them, having block-booked," Olson notes. "All they have to do is sell the tickets."

In addition to the sales staff, the Carlton utilizes a full-time production department and in-house booking (no outside promoters book the theater).

Talent buyer Mary Collins, ad director Elaine Waddell, and public relations director Cindy Black have all been on the job since day one, notes Olson. "There isn't a lot of turnover in the executive division," she observes. "We believe in promoting from within." And as for the hard-to-overlook fact that the Carlton's key executives are female, Olson says, "The entertainment and hotel industries are so receptive to women—for one thing, because women attend to detail so well."

en—for one thing, because women attend to detail so well." The Carlton employs 270 people, 75 full time and 30-40 in the ticket office. When the showroom recently advertised for a few waiter/waitress positions, Olson remarks, 300 people showed up.

Food service employees could certainly stand to clear a pretty penny in the Celebrity Room, with its 1,200 main floor table-booth dinner seats (the 900-capacity balcony is for shows only). Sightlines are unobstructed, courtesy of 15 elevations on the floor. The room's acoustics are top-notch as well, notes Olson, effected by a PM 2000 sound board, JBL speakers, and Soundcraft monitors.

By no means is the Celebrity Room the Carlton's only entertainment facility. Local and up-and-coming national acts are showcased in the Backstage Lounge nightly, usually without cover charge. Combos and solo artists entertain in the All Star Lounge, whose walls are covered with signed portraits of Carlton performers painted by artist Otis Pfiefer.

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In addition, receptions, banquets and meetings can be held in the Marquee Room (2,000 square feet) and the Las Vegas Room (2,500 square feet).

lt's a roomy structure altogether, but the Olsons, as always, are looking to the proverbial bigger and better. They're currently looking into building a 500-room hotel and 40.000-square foot convention center, which would be used in conjunction with the Carlton for whatever purpose would be required of the theater, be it exhibition hall or showroom. Olson says construction could begin this fall.

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Entertainment is the Olsons' top priority in any case, be it a Celebrity Room concert or a corporate presentation. "People who've seen our artists perform in Vegas tell us they get a better show here." Karen Olson says significantly. "Possibly, that's because they get treated better here from the beginning."

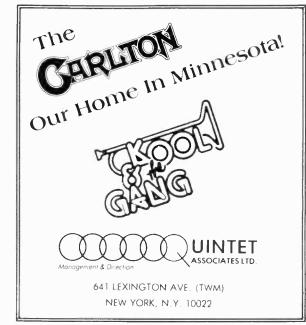
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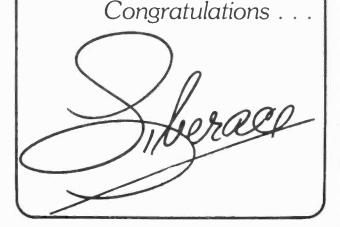






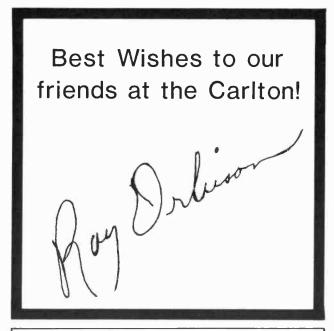
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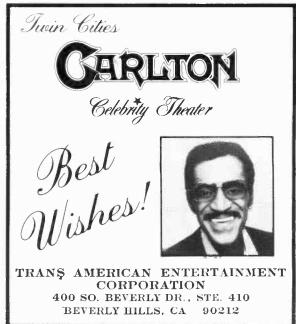
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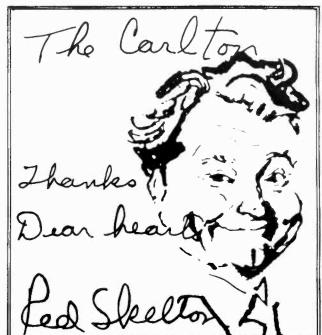












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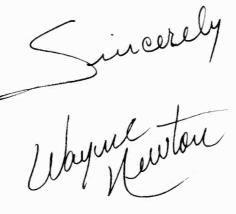
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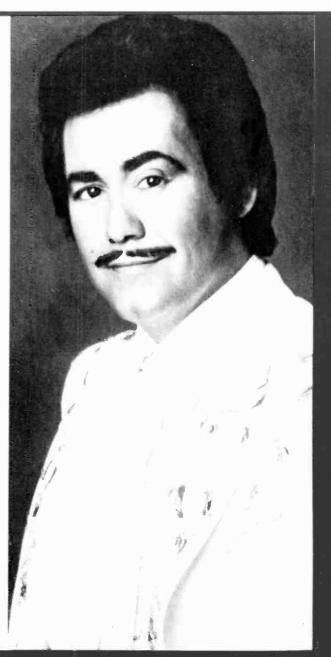


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Beach Boys recent Fourth of July concert on the Washington Mall, to the medium-sized Phoenix roof and stage and the mini-system for state fairs and the like—Naked Zoo provides a full package of entertainment oriented goods. Because they own their own trucks, Fish feels Naked Zoo has the edge in the business and has a built-in advantage over his seveneight major competitors around the country. The trucks never stop rolling even when they are hauling another company's sound and light systems.

Fish has built his company on technical expertise and a good reputation. Years of solid working relationships with the Beach Boys (Naked Zoo stores and moves the Califor-nians complete show year round from Minnesota), Paul Anka, Frank Sinatra, the Jacksons and a myriad of others, has earned the Zoo keepers high grades in the industry. "We got into the business at the right time," Fish notes. "Many of the people we work with today, from managers to booking agents grew with the industry from the early '70s. We started as a company with our youth, the entertainment industry itself and our name all working against us. It was a hobby that developed into something you couldn't imagine—a 24-hour, seven-day-a-week job. When we started, we couldn't even get screw suppliers to give us credit, just because of the name. Today the President of the U.S. calls to work with us, not because he's afraid of the name, but becuase we do a good job.

Although Fish objects to the state's harsh business tax climate, he still keeps Naked Zoo in the north country, simply because he believes that he's really "on Main Street America here." Minnesota lies equi-distant from both coasts, and with a fleet of trucks ready to move in all directions, Fish feels he can outmanouever his rivals in L.A. and New York. With the busy presidential campaign trail ahead and scores of regional and national gigs to light, wire and stage, Fish still sees room for expansion inside corporations that are relying more and more on good production values to sell their own businesses. He'd like to expand more at home as well and may develop a full time recording, storage and rehearsal hall for Minnesota's growing music industry. In the meantime, David Fish is endlessly busy overseeing the four departments that make the Naked Zoo name a household word in the real zoo world of public spectacles.

If Fish's Zoo Enterprise climbed into the market at the right time and place, Art Welter came in "at the worst possible time" in 1979 with Southern Thunder Sound. The music business had just cut back on national tour support and the industry generally was in a deep slump. Welter started Southern Thunder with his wife Lynne and brother Roy. The chose their name to reflect what was going to be the site of their Atlanta operation. But the recession anchored Southern Thunder in the north. Originally, the couple did only sound for mostly locally based acts in Minneapolis, St. Paul and those touring groups who played at clubs like Duffy's, the Cabooze or First Avenue and the Union Bar. Today, Southern

Thunder offers full sound and lighting production services. It designs and builds its own cabinet systems under the name Welter Systems; it rents and sells equipment to many local groups like Lamont Cranston, the Metro All-Stars and the Suburbs; and it hires out to groups touring the country, or those that are just passing through the Twin Cities. Lynne Welter has her own company called Beam Me Up, which specializes in dance, theatre and performance art lighting.

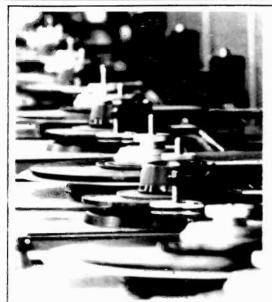
Like Fish, Welter got interested in the business during high school. With a mechanics know-how and an innate sense of craftmanship, Welter worked his private interest into the major local sound and lighting company for the metropolitan area. He employs seven full-time personnel and hires additional help for tours and special shop projects.

"Transport and efficiency are important in this trade, especially in cutting costs, but how well a system sounds and looks after it's staged is still the most important," Welter says. Southern Thunder has a value of over a half million dol-lars in sound and lights, but the company's total worth is well over a million. Business has been doubling every year, even though the local market "is very competitive. The advantage at Southern Thunder," the proprietor notes, "is having a strong base of support at the local level, so that even if we don't have a show or two on the road, we can still do akay in town. Tours are just gravy for us.

Welter's other advantage is that his company can still work around the intense rivalries that are part of the trade. "We haven't burned the bridges that some people have—we're able to work with anyone in joint ventures." To that end, he can provide four 16-channel sound systems for club shows, two larger units (32 channels) for bigger shows and has two other 24 channel sound systems at his disposal. His two lighting systems, one a 64k light show, the other a 144k system, are also part of Southern Sound's catalog. If the live date is within a 300 mile radius of his St. Paul home base, Welter can carry his own load in his one semi, another truck and/or the parcel van. Longer distances, for tours such as the Lene Lovich or Gang Of Four national trips the company took last year, require rental vehicles.

Although the business travels often with Roy Clark and Lee Greenwood, the Twin Cities music scene is really where Southern Thunder makes its bread and butter. Much of the sound equipment in Prince's "Purple Rain" movie is Southern Thunder product, especially in the performance scenes shot at First Avenue. Welter's company has a history of working Prince's "surprise" gigs at the club, providing sound for the Minnesota Dance Theatre benefit the Royal One did in '83 and at his recent 25th birthday party performance in

Welter hopes to better get the word out on Southern Thunder's experiences, gigs as diverse as doing the production for an '83 appearance by President Reagen at a local hotel (Continued on page TC-22)



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### Sparkling Diversity

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teeth at coffeehouses near the Univ. of Minnesota in Minneapolis. Not many poeple paid atention so he headed to Greenwich Village and emerged as Bob Dylan. He remembered Minnesota, though, in such titles as "Highway 61 Revisited" and "Positively Fourth Street" (there's a record store by that name about six blocks from where Zimmerman used to sing). His mother still lives in St. Paul, and he owns a farm outside the Twin Cities where he usually summers with his children.

That same folk scene also spawned Koerner, Ray & Glover, the influential folk-blues trio, inveterate bluesman Willie Murphy (he produced Bonnie Raitt's first LP) and David Solberg (aka David Soul of tv's "Starsky and Hutch") and later acoustic guitar ace Leo Kottke, Michael ("Bluer Than Blue") Johnson and subsequently the slew of acoustic types heard on Keillor's nationally syndicated public radio variety show, "A Prairie Home Companion," which celebrated its 10th anniversary this summer.

The 1970s became mostly a launching pad for something big to come out of the Twin Cities. Gypsy tried to give the Metromedia label some credibility beyond Bobby Sherman but never became more than a Midwestern favorite. Al Jarreau, a Milwaukee native, got his act together in Minneapolis before heading for jazz-pop stardom in Los Angeles. Twin/Tone Records was started here in '78 by a record store manager, recording engineer and sports writer and has developed into what some people consider America's premier independent label for new-wave and hard-core.

And it was in 1977 that Warner Bros. Records signed a young Minneapolis musician named Prince and allowed him to become the label's youngest producer ever.

Prince Roger Nelson produced, composed, arranged and performed all the music on his albums. His second LP found him climbing to the top of the black chart with "I Wanna Be Your Lover" and then he switched to sexually bold themes and funky rock and became the critics' first new hero of the 1980s. In addition, he started his own mini-Motown by producing and writing hits for the Time, Vanity 6 (now Apollonia 6) and Sheila E. There have been offshoots, too, including ex-Prince bassist Andre Cymone, a Columbia recording artist who has produced the Girls and Evelyn King; producers-writers Jimmy (Jam) Harris and Terry Lewis, former Time members who have produced smashes for the S.O.S. Band, Cherrelle, Change and Gladys Knight & the Pips; and ex-Time guitarist Jesse Johnson, just signed to A&M

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"Prince is devoted and loyal to his hometown and I find that really refreshing," says Steve Fargnoli of Cavallo, Ruffalo & Fargnoli, the L.A. firm that manages Prince and produced the film "Purple Rain." "Minneapolis is a nice place for an artist to develop because you can survive while you develop; there are places to work. It's very active in a local sense in that it doesn't suffer from the national media syndrome that if it's not big in L.A. or New York, it doesn't mean anything."

Oddly enough, the Twin Cities, the population of which is less than 2-1/2% black, finds itself as a hotbed of black music. Manager Owen Husney, who has landed national contracts for five black Twin Cities artists (Prince, Sue Ann Carwell, Cynone, the Girls and Jesse Johnson), explains: "What would normally be seen as negative has really turned out to be positive. There were zero black-music venues and zero black radio stations. If you grew up in New York, L.A. or Chicago, you probably tended to emulate the artists you heard on the radio. Here the only orientation of the young blacks was to pop radio and the records they could buy downtown. So the Minneapolis Sound, if that's what you want to call it, was a natural combination, a legitimate crossover, a kind of music that is accessible to all areas."

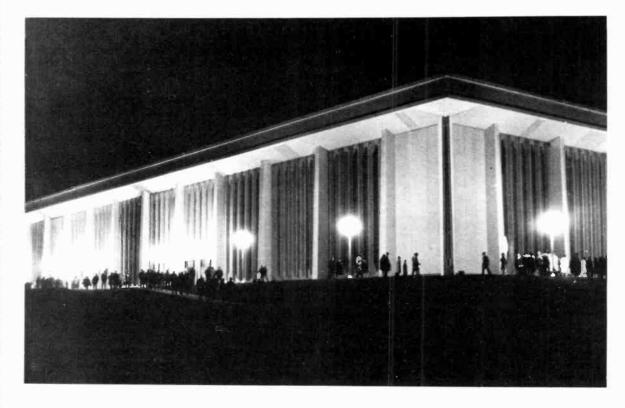
Oddly again, the biggest record to come out of the Twin Cities before Prince hit No. 1 this summer with "When Doves Cry" was the 1981 chart-topping best-seller, "Funkytown" by the black-oriented Lipps Inc. The only links between the two acts are engineer David Rivkin, who has worked on and off with Prince, and the fact that neither Lipps, a studio band assembled by producer Steven Greenberg, nor Prince had a profile on the club scene before they had a hit. Prince and his bend, the Revolution, have played only four concerts and five club gigs in the Twin Cities since he signed with Warners.

They filmed much of "Purple Rain" at First Avenue, the downtown danceteria where Prince hangs out and tests his singles. The club, which has been written up by USA Today and Newsweek, has helped make Minneapolis an important new-wave town (for instance, it's R.E.M.'s best market) just as Walker Art Center's "Marathon '80: A No-New-Now Wave Festival" and "New Music America" have made the Twin Cities a crucial new-music supporter.

The area has become a major concert market, too, thanks to two pro hockey arenas and audiences that devour heavymetal, mainstream rock, crossover country and adult contemporary music with equal fervor. The concert action has been bountiful enough to keep two promoters, Randy Levy of Schon Productions and Dick Shapiro of Company 7, competing for the past dozen years.

Minneapolis-St. Paul is home base for a medium sized booking agency (Variety Artists), sound and light companies (Naked Zoo and Southern Thunder), music merchandising firms (Nice Man and Tom Collins Enterprises) and rock video pioneer Chuck Statler, who has done all the Devo clips.

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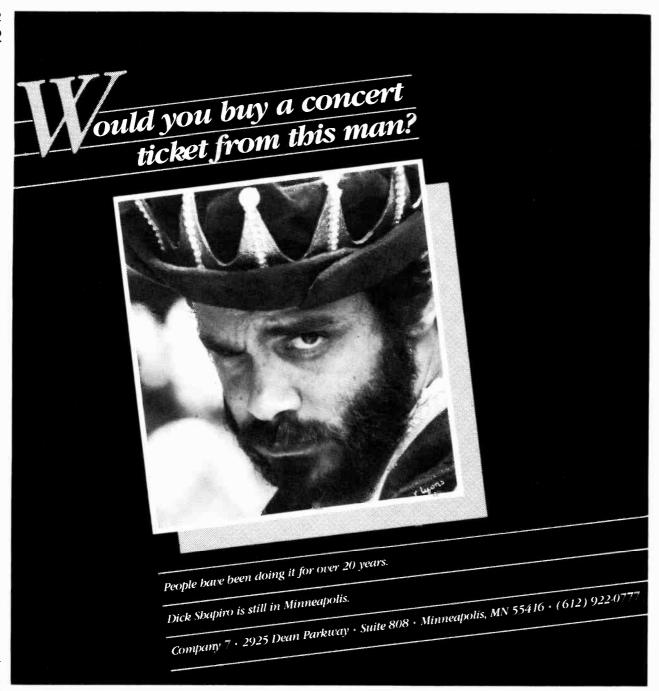


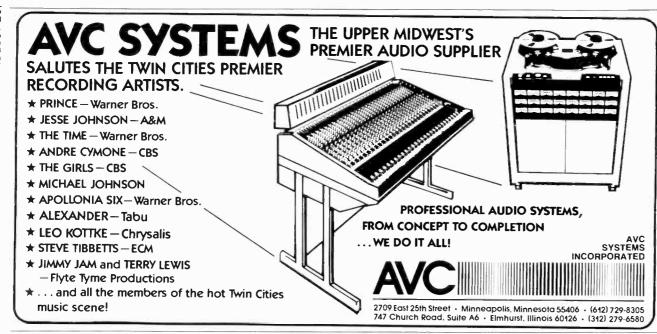
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### TWIN TALENT

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ready received a Grammy, for its 1982 spoken-word album "Raiders Of The Lost Ark: The Move On Record." Operator Tom Vagelie says Studio M's two rooms and top-flight equipment are utilized 50-50 for public radio and commercial work.

With the transition of Minneapolis' premier music room Sound 80 into a film scoring studio, Pilhofer Music, founder/composer Herb Pilhofer notes that almost all the Twin Cities' noted rock engineers "came out of the ranks of Sound 80." In its heyday, remarks Pilhofer, Sound 80 served as head-quarters for many a name artist; Bob Dylan's classic "Blood On The Tracks" was recorded there.

Another Minneapolis recording institution, the 30-year old Cookhouse (home of the Trashmen and other early '60s Twin Cities hitmakers) has dropped album work and is concentrating on audio/video post production. Its 5,000-square foot music room is now leased out to the proprietors of noted independent new music label Twin Tone, who are building three 24-track rooms and renaming the facility Nicollet Studios.

"We also operate the only 24-track mobile unit in the area," remarks Twin Tone/Nicollet chief Paul Stark.

Stark deems the studio's policy of selling time to producers and engineers rather than artists as "experimental," noting that in order to keep costs down they've hired a sole employee, a receptionist.

Twin Cities favorites the Wallets (and many scene-watchers' next pick-to-click), the artsy/jazzy/wacko outfit that walked away with Band of the Year at the 1984 Minnesota Music Awards, are frequent Cookhouse/Nicollet customers, says Stark. Currently in the studio are singer-songwriter Michael Johnson, hardy hardcorists Husker Du, and one-manband Steve Greenberg, whose 1980 chart-topper "Funkytown" under the moniker Lipps, Inc. prefigured the current wave of Minneapolis hits.

Though subsequent Lipps, Inc. efforts have failed to have as much of an impact as "Funkytown," Greenberg's philosophical about it: "Put it this way," he shrugs, "that's what I always wanted, and I got it the first time around. I don't feel any pressure to 'follow up; a song like 'Funkytown' because that's impossible."

As for intrepid Twin Tone Records, Stark says the label put out around a dozen pieces of product a year. Twin Tone's been home to some of Minneapolis' most popular and critically-acclaimed bands: avant-rockers the Suburbs, whose 1981 double album "Credit In Heaven" remains Twin Tone's biggest seller at 15,000 copies (but whose future, sadly, is in question after being dropped from PolyGram Records following their first LP "Love Is The Law"); the Replacements, whose 1983 album "Hootenanny" made it to the top of many a rock critic's year-end Top 10; Curtiss A, Minneapolis' eccentric song stylist/guitarist; the Phones; and several up and comers, including Soul Asylum and Jeff Waryan and Figures.

"A good year for Twin Tone runs about \$120,000-\$150,000 in total sales," says Stark, adding, "It's leveled off at times, but never dropped off."

Other Twin Cities labels such as Wide Angle, Waterhouse, Fat City, and Digital Music Products continue to make their dent in national as well as local markets.

Wide Angle Records' Jerry Sylvers reports significant sales action on recent releases by Doug Maynard ("What Did I Do"), Viola Wills Ashmun ("Walls"), and Annette ("Walk Like A Man"), with new product due from T.C. Jammers vocalist Melanie Rosales, Secret Identity, and Information Society.

No stranger to diversity, Sylvers also produces videos, retails 12-inch dance records at the Music City record outlet, and operates the influential Wide Angle Communications dance record pool.

Waterhouse Records, whose 19-piece product line includes LPs by Roy Buchanan, Henny Youngman, and the late Michael Bloomfield's last effort, operates as "a production company more than anything these days," according to label chief Gary Marx. Waterhouse did, however, have a recent hit on its hands—the aforementioned Metro All-Stars' "Prom Night," which sold 5,000 copies regionally.

Fat City Records' John Randall is reviving the label after a six-month dry spell, with product by jazz combo Rio Nido, the Wolverines' big band jazz, and an LP by Mutiny, which features former P-Funk drummer Jerome Bailey. Video pioneer and Minneapolitan Chuck Statler of Devo fame is currently working on Mutiny's video, Randall adds.

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Digital Music Products (DMP) is a different sort of independent label, with an exclusive roster of Compact Discs and audiophile cassettes, according to DMP sales and marketing director Barb Crofoot.

DMP founder Tom Jung, a former co-owner of Sound 80 studios, had worked with 3M on its prototype digital machines in 1976. When he started his label, says Crofoot, Jung eschewed vinyl in favor of "a sound that reproduces studio sound." Independently-distributed DMP currently offers six hour-long jazz titles on CD and cassette, with two new releases due at the end of August.

At the other end of the independent label spectrum is Intersound, which, although Minneapolis-based, can hardly be termed local. Encompassing the classical labels Pro Arte (full price), Sinfonia (mid-priced), Quintessence (budget), Classics For Joy (mid-priced cassette), as well as licensing and distribution for overseas labels Deutsche Harmonia Mundi

Minnesota Gov. Rudy Perpich, who hails from Bob Dylan's hometown of Hibbing, says the Twin Cities' vibrant pop music scene is quickly becoming the focus of official statewide recognition.

Prince, the man who put Minneapolis the music town back on the map, is shortly to be honored with "Prince Month," dates as yet unspecified. "The proclamation is already written up," says Perpich.

In addition, according to the governor, a Minnesota Music Commission should begin operations in January, exploring ways in which Minnesota's considerable musical resources could be tapped to promote commerce and tourism.

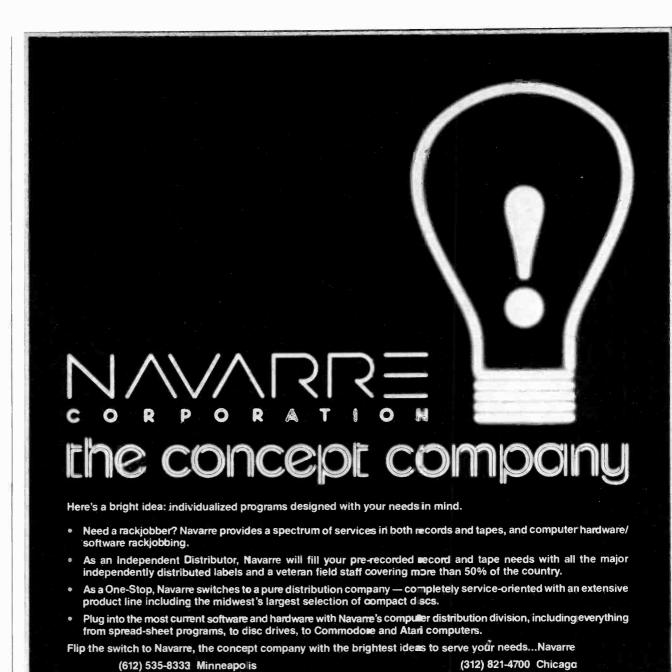
Minnesota has long been distinguished as a cultural center, evidenced by state and private sector support for the arts, Perpich points out. Corporations donate approximately \$20 million annually to the arts, he says. (President Reagan recently sent a letter of commendation to Perpich, in fact, "recognizing the unique and model partnership that exists in Minnesota between the Minnesota State Arts Board and the private sector corporate and foundation funders who have a commitment to the arts."

According to Lieut. Gov. Marlene Johnson, 2.3 million people attended professional sporting events in Minnesota in 1983, compared to 4.3 million attending professional arts events. Minnesota is responsible for the third greatest per capita theatre attendance nationally and eighth greatest attendance at symphony orchestra concerts, according to the U.S. Census Bureau in 1972. And the Twin Cities is first among American metropolitan areas in number of theatre companies, reported Theatre Crafts magazine in fall 1983.

Minnesota's contributions to the arts continue to grow, according to Perpich. He tells of plans for municipal "artist enterprise zones" for artists of all walks, in order to give them living/working quarters "where taxes can't be jacked up."

In addition, a School for the Arts is in the planning stages, with an operating budget of \$6-10 million a year, says Perpich. Locations are currently being scouted and a decision should be reached in October, he adds.

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"I'm supportive of the arts," says Gov. Perpich, "because I believe that it's art and artists that civilize society."









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Farr attributes Jetco's good fortune to the fact that "the people running this department weren't in the children's shoe department last week—there are 45 years of record industry experience between myself, field sales manager George Smith, and buyer Cindy Wallace.

Target record departments across the board have increased their percentage of store volume by 40% since Jetco was activated, says Farr, with the heaviest percentageto-store in Jetco birthplace Indiana. "The longer the stores have been buying direct, the higher the percentage," Farr

He also credits computerized "perpetual on-line inventory" and an experienced staff of field merchandisers with

Target's success in racking its own product.

Rack giant Lieberman Enterprises is not threatened by such a development, according to marketing director Joe Pa gano. "We're aware of Target's situation," he says, "but the iury's still out.

The 77-year old Lieberman Enterprises is now the second largest rackjobber in the country behind Handleman Co., following Pickwick's demise. (Lieberman's one-stop operation was halted a year and a half ago, says Pagano, because "it wasn't the direction the company wanted to go in.")

Headed by David Lieberman (grandson of founder Samuel Lieberman) and Harold Okinaw, Lieberman Enterprises services 2,500 national accounts, including the Sears and Wal-Mart chains. The company maintains eight branch offices in Atlanta, Chicago, Cleveland, Dallas, Kansas City, Mt. Laurel, N.J., and Portland, with a national distribution center in Indianapolis.

Video and computer software, as well as CDs, have become prominent in Liberman's inventory, according to Pagano. "Entertainment software is an exciting, expanding category," he says. "The business is now much more exciting that in its so-called heyday—there's more of a demand to be creative and innovative.

Business at the not-quite-year-old Navarre Corp. could also be described as "exploding," according to founder/president Eric Paulson, a former Pickwick executive.
"We opened in October 1983 as an independent distribu-

tor/one-stop," Paulson describes. "In February '84 we opened our computer division as exclusive distributor for Commodore and all third party software. Now we have Atari

Navarre's current accounts, says Paulson, comprise "300

in record/tape and over 600 in computer software."
Plus, Navarre as of June began racking records and computer software. The industry should be able to support more than two national racks," reasons Paulson.
Records and software were selected, he goes on, "because

of their counter-cyclical nature. Fourth quarters are typically good for the record business, and first quarters bad—but first quarters are the best in computer software."

As an independent distributor, Navarre handles over 100 labels and sells to the likes of Lieberman, Target, Musicland, and Great American Music, according to Paulson. As a one-stop, Navarre services "200 individual record/specialty stores." Shipping is all done out of Navarre's 14,000-square foot warehouse.

The company recently opened a Chicago office and has also launched a Chicago-based independent label, Nuance Records.

"We're doing eight figures in our first year of business," says Paulson, "which is about 75% over our original sales projections.

A more modest operation, but one that appears to have found its niche, is Dart Records, a rackjobber whose 450 accounts spread across the upper Midwest comprise "the smaller dealers that larger racks can't service," according to president Merrill Kirsch.

Kirsch, a 23-year Pickwick alumnus, and Dart vice president Ken Hegstrom, whose Pickwick tenure comprised 33 years, say their expertise lies in personalized servicecial orders, for instance, which Kirsch claims are discouraged by larger racks. "We order twice a week from manufacturers just to accomodate our special order business," says. Business, adds Kirsch, has increased 30% in the last month alone.

Electric Fetus' Keith Covart, who started his 100-account one-stop as an outgrowth of a still-existing retail outlet, relies on his 15,000 titles in combined wholesale and retail to keep business coming in.

"Indies can't compete with mass merchandisers for new product, so we specialize in breadth of titles," explains Covart. Sales in 1984, he adds, have increased 20% over

Independents such as Twin Cities Imports (TCI) and Audio Record Source (ARS) have exploited their own niches into respectable degrees of success. TCI, which according to Jim Nelson expects to do \$3/4 million this year, operates out of the three-store Northern Lights chain. TCl carries 60-90 in-dependent labels, a good many of which are in the new music category—and carries its devotion to sur-scene by funding local artists' recordings.

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### TWIN TALENT

(Germany), Teldec (Germany), Supraphon (Czech National), Capriccio (Germany), Canadian Broadcasting, and Smithsonian, Intersound is reportedly the largest independent classical label in the U.S.

Intersound was formed in May 1982 upon its acquisition of Pickwick International's classical music labels. Two years later, according to president Dan Johnson, Intersound is responsible for 8-10% of the total classical record share, based on PolyGram Classics' assumed 50% share. Its catalog includes some 2,000 titles, 2,500 including cassettes. In addition, says Johnson, 100 Compact Disc titles will be available by year's end.

Intersound bypasses independent distribution by selling directly to its accounts, says Johnson, via five sales reps in different areas of the country. "We've established a pretty good share of the market in a short time," he observes, "and our sales growth is aided by a small overhead. Last year, sales exceeded the previous year by 50%; this year we expect 50% more.

Sales levels at K-tel International have stayed "fairly even," according to president Mickey Elfenbein. But when those sales average \$140 million a year, you don't hear too many complaints.

K-tel, while not a label in the truest sense, puts out a number of its well-known hit compilations per year. All are available in retail stores and very few via mail order, contrary to popular belief, says Elfenbein.

"We're in the marketing business, not the recording business," says Elfenbein. K-tel views itself as a supplement to record companies and artists. "We've done our consumer research, and our consumers aren't the ones that buy whole albums by one artist. But exposure to a certain artist via a Ktel compilation could catalyze that person to buy that whole album.

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Although record-tape compilations make up 95% of Ktel's present business, Elfenbein says video and computer

software is just getting off the ground.

K-tel's first video release "Breakdance" includes clips from the movie "Breakin" as well as instructional segments. Three more releases, one comedy and two movies, are due out shortly, Elfenbein says.

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### TWIN TOWERS

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and the debut club show for Boy George and King Sunny Ade. Also in 1983, Southern Thunder won a Minnesota Music Award (or "Yammie") for technical achievement. "The only way to stay on top in this business," Welter says, "is to stay on the phone because it changes so fast. But marketing yourself better helps, too. We've got the equipment and personnel, plus those who have worked with us know we're reliable. Now all we need is that extra push in the marketplace."

### TWIN BUSINESS

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Lieberman Enterprises owns and operates five other companies. The Carousel Snack Bars of Minnesota Inc. runs more than 270 fast-food restaurants located in major shopping malls around the country. Lieberman Music Company is a distributor of coin-operated games: jukeboxes, pinball machines, videogames, pool tables and electronic dart boards. LMC has more than 400 accounts in Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wisconsin and Montana. Viking Vending is a distributor of food, beverage and cigarette vending equipment in addition to microwave ovens and coin changers. Viking has more than 300 vending operator accounts. Twin City Novelty places, operates and services coin-operated amusement games in the Twin Cities and surrounding suburbs, including locations in bars, restaurants, bowling alleys, roller rinks, shopping centers, the airport and the Playland Arcade at the Minnesota State Fair. Home Entertainment is a distributor of music and movie videotapes.

Lieberman Enterprises was founded in 1907 by Samuel Lewis Lieberman and grew from a single coin-machine operation into the thriving food and entertainment business it is today. Lieberman is still a family business. Today the chairman of the board is David Lieberman, his brother Steve Lieberman is president of Carousel Snack Bars, and brother-inlaw Harold Okinow is the president of Lieberman Enterprises.

David Lieberman said, on the occasion of the company's 75th anniversary, "Lieberman Enterprises is a family business and each employee is a part of that extended family ..."

Lieberman also had words on the company's short and long term directions: "We're currently investigating the opportunity to expand our product line to our mass merchandising customers where the product is appropriate and appropriately priced. One or several of these products (computer software and accessories, Compact Discs, music and movie videotapes) will become a significant part of our business. We will also advance our inventory control system by being able to communicate (computer-to-computer) with the stores that we service. Although we are expanding our product line, music remains the cornerstone of our business. Everybody sells records and tapes, we sell service."

Lieberman Enterprises researches and analyzes the various trends which influence both retailer and shopper. They are on top of a constantly evolving market. Meeting these demands, according to Joe Pagano, director of marketing, takes "creativity, innovation and productivity."

As of May 1, 1984, the Dayton's and Hudson's department store companies merged into a single organization, the **Dayton Hudson Department Store Company,** becoming the largest individual department store operation in the U.S. The company is headquartered in Minneapolis.

Dayton Hudson is a customer-focused, trend-oriented retail operation with a view toward the long term. The business segments of the corporation are Target, a low-margin retail chain operating in 22 states; Mervyn's a highly promotional, popular-priced, value-oriented department store company operating in nine states; the Dayton Hudson Department Store Company, Diamond's and John A. Brown, operating in a total of nine states; specialty merchandisers: B. Dalton Bookseller and Lechmere, a New England hardlines operation.

Target stores have experienced tremendous sales increases in nearly every product area of consumer electronics, as well as in related accessories, such as videotape. Unit sales of videotape in 1983 made Target the largest single retailer of videotape worldwide. So far, 1984 tape sales are ahead of last year's.

B. Dalton has noted sales in computer books doubling in 1983, representing a key growth trend. Sales of home computers, related equipment and software doubled at Lechmere's in 1983 and are expected to do so again this year. Lechmere and Dayton's have installed computer centers in each store displaying all systems, in working environments, allowing the consumer to get first-hand pre-sale experience.

The Dayton Hudson Department Store Company, with an annual sales of more than \$1.2 billion, is well into the home entertainment market and is aware of the anticipatory nature of new technological developments.

Dayton Hudson plans to invest \$2.5 billion in expansion of retail operations over the next five years (1984-85). Target plans to open 58 stores. Mervyn's plans to open 126 stores, including 55 units in the company's new South Central territory. B. Dalton plans to open 220 stores.

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E'RE NO. 1—Helping members of the Nitty Gritty Dirt Band, standing in rear, celebrate their first No. 1 record, "Long Hard Road (The Sharecropper's Dream)," is the team that made it possible. Seated at the console from left are manager Chuck Morris of Feyline Presents and producers Marshall Morgan and Paul Worley. Second from right in back is Warner Bros. executive vice president Jim Ed Norman.

# 'Long Hard Road' To Top For Nitty Gritty Dirt Band

NASHVILLE—It's difficult to believe that despite an 18-year career and 16 albums—one of which was platinum—the Nitty Gritty Dirt Band is only now seeing its first No. 1 single on any chart.

The single, "Long Hard Road (The Sharecropper's Dream)," marks the group's first association with producers Marshall Morgan and Paul Worley, as well as its debut with Warner Bros., which it joined earlier

Manager Chuck Morris of Fey--which is buying a building on Music Row and will open a Nashville management office by year's endattributes his group's newfound country success to a combination of marketing and promotional strategies, rather than to any premeditated musical shift.

"I'd put 'Mr. Bojangles' right up there next to 'Dance Little Jean' and 'Long Hard Road,' because there's really no difference musically in them," says Morris. "The difference is in how they were marketed."

Morris bought out what would have been the band's final Liberty album in February while the group was still in the studio with Morgan and Worley. He says he felt the act could not afford the risk of a "lame duck"

#### **Churchill Forms New Arm For Concert Promo**

TULSA-Churchill Records & Video Ltd. is moving into the field of live entertainment promotion with the formation of a subsidiary venture, Churchill Productions Inc.

The company, which will be run by newly appointed president Clint Mitchell, expects to promote a minimum of 75 events within the next 16 months. The first occurred July 28-29 with concerts by Willie Nelson and the Beach Boys at the Montana

Churchhill Productions Inc. plans to concentrate its promotions on major state and county fairs. Churchill will handle facility rental, talent payment and all promotions for the dates

Mitchell notes that his new firm's efforts will not be limited to country music. Upcoming concerts to be pro-moted through Churchill Productions include dates by Rail, David Copperfield, the Oak Ridge Boys, Waylon Jennings, the Beach Boys, and George Winston.

record at a critical juncture in its transition from pop to country.

"We were building with country radio, and we'd just had a top 10 single with 'Dance Little Jean,' " Morris explains. "Our next single had to go higher or it would be seen as a step backward. And I knew the record company would not be inclined to spend a lot of its money promoting a final album."

Instead, the group—and its album, titled "Plain Dirt Fashion"-moved to Warner Bros. At the same time, the Nitty Gritty Dirt Band switched booking from Variety Artists to the Jim Halsey Co. to reinforce its country image further. The group shied away from the kinds of pop/country crossover slots it used to fill and began opening concerts for established country acts like Hank Williams Jr. and Ricky Skaggs.

"Long Hard Road," a Rodney Crowell original (Crowell also penned the Dirt Band's 1979 pop hit, 'An American Dream"), came out in May. Warner Bros. monitored the single closely.

"We took the attitude from day one with radio that this was a No. 1 record, and we kept feeding research to programmers," says Nick Hunter, the label's senior vice president of marketing/promotion.

The research showed virtually no listener burnout, even in the late stages of its chart climb, which Hunter attributes to the fact that the record is "almost hook-less, so people don't get tired of it."

According to executive vice president Jim Ed Norman, the frequent tv and touring exposure the band received in various markets has helped sales. Warner Bros, launched sales impact deals on both the single and the album and cassette packages from the date of release. It also worked hand in hand with management and booking to move the group into areas where it isn't well known.

"The Nitty Gritty Dirt Band is huge in places like Colorado and Pennsylvania, where you don't sell country records," comments Hunter. By the end of the year, they will have done every major venue in the Southeast and Southwest.

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#### For The Record

An article listing singles received during the first half of 1984 that reached No. 1 on the country chart during the survey period (Billboard, Aug. 11) erroneously stated that Warner Bros. and Elektra/Asylum each had one single. Warner Bros. should have been credited for both.

# **Music Row Construction Boom Brings New Blood To Nashville**

NASHVILLE-While bulldozers and hard hats haven't replaced hit songs along Music Row, an unprecedented development boom is bringing new entertainment companies to Nashville-and changing the facade of the two-mile stretch commonly referred to as "the Row."

Construction is already in progress on close to a dozen buildings. And others—including new headquarters for the Welk Music Group and MCA Records—are on the drawing board.

These structures include two- and three-story offices for self-contained entertainment firms such as the Merit Music Corp. and Film House, complexes large enough to house both music and non-music businesses, and condominium/apartment facilities that can be rented by corporations whose executives and artists make frequent business trips to Nashville.

The land boom has been sudden, triggered by lower interest rates, an influx of outside firms into town, Music Row's proximity to the hub of Nashville as well as the airport, and the relatively inexpensive property available on Music Square East and West (16th and 17th Avenues).

Longtime Music Row veterans say they have never seen such a surge in real estate development. They point to the fact that much of the land now rapidly under construction remained empty for years. Now, as the value of property along Music Row and adjoining side streets escalates, there is heightened competition for rental space by new companies relocating to the area.

Singer Lee Greenwood is a partner with his manager Larry McFaden, his producer Jerry Crutchfield and contractor Bill Gregg in a \$1 million, three-story complex located on Music Square West. When finished in mid-December, the 14,000 square foot facility will house Capitol Records on the first floor, the Greenwood/McFaden offices and the Jim Halsey Co. on the second floor, and penthouses for Greenwood, McFaden and Crutchfield on the top.

"It's getting difficult to buy any-

McFaden, adding that he and his partners are considering developing a second lot available behind their present site. McFaden notes that when the adjoining lot went on the market a little more than a month ago, it was priced at \$135,000; now it's back on at \$160,000, "and still a good buy."

Echoes Mike Borchetta, president of Mike Borchetta Record Promotions and partner with Margo Smith's husband Richard Cammeron in a new office building at 47 Music Square East: "I could have bought this lot for \$40,000 one year ago. I paid \$60,000 for it this year, and now a similarly-sized lot up the street is asking \$125,000."

Merit Music Corp. will expand into its modern \$1 million-plus headquarters at 66 Music Square West in December, not far from the new site of Film House, a motion picture production company that will occupy 5,000 square feet in its own solarpowered edifice. Film House plans to rent out the additional 2,000 square feet of space.

Perhaps the most striking new ar-

search Building, a colonial-front building with 36,000 square feet of rental space. Built by Ted Welch, the \$2.5 million structure houses a music industry law firm, Triad Records, a video production operation and the new Nashville headquarters of the ICM booking agency.

Developer Welch says he has at least two more, smaller buildings on the way, despite the dramatic rise in land prices, which he says are running about 40% more than last year.

There are rumors that SESAC is

looking into its own building. And West Coast-based Mary Tyler Moore Productions has had executives in and out of Nashville scouting possible space for its anticipated move onto Music Row.

Jim Owens Entertainment, which produces original television programming for syndication, recently invested more than \$1 million in a self-contained 20,000 square foot complex encompassing a television studio, wrap-around cyclorama, a 33-seat tape/film screening room, radio/tv

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#### **BROADCASTER GROUP MEETS**

# Radio Seminar Plans Begin

NASHVILLE—The agenda committee of Country Radio Broadcasters Inc. will meet here Friday and Saturday (24-25) to begin planning the 16th annual Country Radio Seminar, to be held March 7-9 at the Opryland Hotel.

The 25-member committee will set up and staff more than 20 panel discussions, schedule the general and concurrent sessions and select keynote speakers.

Headed by Beverlee Bleisch of KJJY Des Moines, the agenda committee includes Bob Backman of Atlanta, Cliff Blake of WBCS Milwaukee, Janet Bozeman of WJKZ/WJRB Nashville, Alan Furst of WIRE Indianapolis, Dan Halyburton of KPLX Dallas, Lon Helton of Radio & Records, Tom Miller of WWVA Wheeling, W. Va.,

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In addition to the panel discussions, the seminar will again feature a cocktail party for participants and artists, and the New Faces Show.

#### **NEW NAMES COP NOMINATIONS**

# Some Surprises On CMA Ballot

NASHVILLE—Artists who were little-known as recently as a year ago have scooped up a surprising number of nominations in balloting for this year's 1984 CMA Awards.

According to the results released last week by the country trade association, the Judds, a mother-daughter duo who scored a No. 1 single with only their second release, "Mama only their second release, "Mama He's Crazy," lead the pack of breakthroughs with triple nominations. The Judds have been nominated for vocal group of the year, single of the year and the CMA Horizon Award.

Exile, the former pop group, has been nominated as both country vocal group of the year and instrumental group, while the Nitty Gritty Dirt Band is up for the CMA's instrumental group of the year as well.

International superstar Julio Iglesias continues his conquest of America with three nominations for his duet with Willie Nelson, "To All The Girls I've Loved Before," turning up in the categories of single of the year, song of the year and vocal duet.

In the male vocalist of the year division, both George Strait and Gary Morris appear for the first time, while Strait is also nominated in the album of the year category for "Right Or Wrong."

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ile, the Nitty Gritty Dirt Band, Ricky Skaggs' Band, the Oaks' Band.

Winners of the final round of balloting, voted upon by the CMA's industry-professional members, will be announced publicly during the live CMA telecast Monday, Oct. 8 from the Grand Ole Opry House. This year's show, the 18th annual CMA Awards, is to be hosted by Kenny Rogers.

Here is a complete list of CMA finalists by category:

Entertainer of the year: Alabama, Lee Greenwood, Barbara Mandrell, Ronnie Milsap, the Oak Ridge Boys.

Male vocalist: Lee Greenwood, Merle Haggard, Gary Morris, Ricky Skaggs, George Strait.

Female vocalist: Janie Fricke, Emmylou Harris, Barbara Mandrell, Reba McEntire, Anne Murray.

Vocal group: Alabama, Exile, the Judds (Wynonna and Naomi), the Oak Ridge Boys, the Statlers.

Vocal duo: Moe Bandy & Joe Stampley, Julio Iglesias & Willie Nelson, Barbara Mandrell & Lee Greenwood, Kenny Rogers & Dolly Parton, Don Williams & Emmylou

Instrumental group: Alabama, Ex-

Single of the year: "A Little Good News," recorded by Anne Murray; "Holding Her And Loving You," Earl Thomas Conley; "Islands In The Stream," Kenny Rogers & Dolly Parton; "Mama He's Crazy," the Judds; "To All The Girls I've Loved Before," Julio Iglesias & Willie Nelson

Song of the year: "A Little Good News," written by Rory Bourke/ Charlie Black/Tommy Rocco, published by Chappell/Bibo; "God Bless The USA," written by Lee Greenwood, Sycamore Valley/MCA Music; "Islands In The Stream," written by Robin Gibb/Barry Gibb/Maurice Gibb, Gibb Brothers Music; "To All The Girls I've Loved Before," written by Albert Hammond/Hal David, April/Casa/David; "Wind Beneath My Wings," written by Jeff Silbar/ Larry Henley, Warner House Of

Album of the year: "A Little Good News," Anne Murray; "Don't Cheat In Our Hometown," Ricky Skaggs; "Right Or Wrong," George Strait; "Roll On," Alabama; "That's The Way Love Goes," Merle Haggard.

Instrumentalist of the year: Chet Atkins, Roy Clark, Floyd Cramer, "Pig" Robbins, Charlie Hargus

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L.Angelle, M.Reid; Collins Court/Lodge Hall, ASCAP; RCA 13838 44 36 NEVER COULD TOE THE MARK—Waylon Jennings (W.Jennings, A.D., & B. Cartee) W. Jennings; Waylong Jennings, BMI; RCA 13827 RADIO LAND—Michael Martin Murphey (J.E. Norman) C. Rains, J.E. Norman, M. Murphey, Choskee Bottom/Kahala/Timberwolf, ASCAP/BMI; Liberty 1523 (11) 14 11 79 NEW ROCK & ROLL SHOES—Ray Charles With B.J. Thomas (B. 52 4 45 LET'S CHASE EACH OTHER AROUND THE ROOM-Merle nerly, G. Lyle; Good Single/Irving, BMI; Columbia 38-04531 7 PICTURES—Atlanta (Milan Bogdan, L. McBride)
C. Halupke, R. Gosdin; Key Ring/Bethel/Texas Tunes/Shelby Singleton,
BMI; MCA 52391 (12) 19 80 61 11 Haggard (M. Haggard, R. Baker) M. Haggard, F. Powers, S. Rogers; Mount Shasta, BMI; Epic 34-04512 (46) 54 3 PLEDGING MY LOVE—Emmylou Harris (B. Ahern) D. Robey, F. Washington; MCA, BMI; Warner Bros. 7-29218 PIECE OF MY HEART—John Hartford (J. Clement) Burns, Ragavoy; Web IV/Ragmar, BMI; Flying Fish 4013 TURNING AWAY—Crystal Gayle (J.Bowen) T.Krekel; Combine, BMI; Warner Bros. 7-29254 (13) 22 8 I'VE ALWAYS GOT THE HEART TO SING THE BLUES-4 84 2 **47**) 53 81 Bill Medley (J. Crutchfield)
G. Lyle, T. Seals; Good Single/Irving/WB, PRS/BMI/ASCAP; RCA 13851 THE RIGHT STUFF—Charly McClain & Mickey Gilley (N.Wilson) R.Giles, B.Haynes, B. Fischer; Dejamus/Bobby Fischer, ASCAP/My Queen Elizabeth, BMI; Epic 34-04489 16 11 (14) 82 74 16 I WISH I COULD WRITE YOU A SONG-John Anderson (J.Anderson, L. Bradley)
J.D. Anderson, L. Delmore; Al Gallico, BMI/Low Dog, ASCAP; Warner Bros. 7-29276 (48) 56 4 KNOCK ON WOOD—Razzy Bailey (T. Brown, J. Bowen) E. Floyd, S. Cropper; Irving, BMI; MCA 52421 (15) 17 10 I GOT A MILLION OF 'EM-Ronnie McDowell (B.Killen) M.Garvin,R.Hellard,B.Jones; Tree,BMI/Cross Keys, ASCAP (Tree Group); 49 5 WHEN WE GET BACK TO THE FARM-David Frizzell (S 49 SHE TOOK IT TOO WELL—John Wesley Ryles (Lobo)
Lobo, D. Lowery; Boo/Log Jam/Sheddhouse, ASCAP, 17th Avenue 500
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T. Seals, M. Williams; WB Music/Two Sons Music/Third Son
Music/Welbeck Music, BMI/ASCAP; RCA 13763 83 NEW ENTRY Garrett, S. Dorff)
C. Waters, M. Garvin, T. Shapiro; Tree Publishing/O'Lyric Music, BMI; Warner Bros. 7-29232 FAITHLESS LOVE—Glen Campbell (H.Shedd)
J.D.Souther; WB/Golden Spread, ASCAP; Atlantic America 7-99768 (16) 20 10 81 84 19 SHE SURE GOT AWAY WITH MY HEART-John Anderson 2 59 50 EVENING STAR/MIDSUMMER NIGHT-Kenny Rogers . Anderson, L. Bradley) . Aldridge, T. Brasfield; Rick Hall, ASCAP; Warner Bros. 7-29207 9 (17) 21 (B.Gibb,K.Richardson,A.Galuten) B.Gibb,M.Gibb; Gibb Bros. Music/Unichappell Music, BMI; RCA 13832 85 NEW ENTRY ALIBIS—Lane Brody (C. Moman) R. Killough, P. Killough; Tree, BMI; EMI-America 8218 WHERE'S THE DRESS—Moe Bandy & Joe Stampley (B. Mevis) T. Stampley, B. Lindsey, G. Cummings, Mullet/Hoy Lindsey, BMI; Columbia 38-04477 51 40 13 15 STILL LOSING YOU—Ronnie Milsap (R.Milsap,R.Galbraith) M.Reid, Lodge Hall, ASCAP; RCA 13805 LOUISIANA HEATWAVE-Bobby Jenkins (B. Jenkins, B. Green)
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D. Loggins, J.D. Martin; Leeds (MCA)/Patchwork/Music Corp. of America, ASCAP/BMI; MCA 52419 (19) 24 87 NEW ENTRY WE'VE GOT TO START MEETING LIKE THIS-Memphis Litternield) J. Crutchfield; Music Corp. of America, BMI; MCA 52394 (R. Oates) K. Bell, J. Skinner, J.L. Wallace; Hall-Clement, BMI; MPI 1691 ONE TAKES THE BLAME—The Statler Brothers (J. Kennedy)
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D. Allen, R.Van Hoy, Posey/Van Hoy/Unichappell, BM1; RCA 13776 24 10 14 THE CHICKEN IN BLACK—Johnny Cash (B. Sherrell) G. Gentry; Algee, BMI; Columbia 38-04513 45 58 1984—Craig Dillingham (Mark Sherrill) Craig Dillingham, Bill Graham; Craig Dillingham/Graham/Caseyem. BMI; MCA/Curb 93 76 6 25 31 6 I COULD USE ANOTHER YOU-Eddy Raven (Eddy Raven, Paul 59 64 4 IT'S YOU ALONE—Gail Davies (G. Davies)
R. Davies; Valet, BMI; Warner Bros. 7-29219 worley) Chris Waters, Bucky Jones, Tom Shapiro; Tree Music/O'Lyric/Cross Keys (Tree Group), BMI/ASCAP; RCA AHLI-5040 ATLANTA BLUE—The Statler Brothers (J. Kennedy) D. Reid; Statler Brothers, BMI; Mercury 818-700-7 71 19 94 TELL 'EM I'VE GONE CRAZY—Ed Bruce (T. West) E. Bruce, P. Bruce, R. Peterson; Tree/Sugarplum, BMI; MCA 52433 60 70 2 IT'S BEEN ONE OF THOSE DAYS—Lang Scott (B. Anderson, M. Johnson) 26 32 5 I DON'T KNOW A THING ABOUT LOVE-Conway Twitty 95 91 2 66 3 SO CLOSE—The Wright Brothers (M. Daniel, J. Dowell) K. Blazy; Hoosier, ASCAP; Mercury 880-055-7 . Howard; Tree Publishing Corp., BMI; Warner Bros. 7-29227 61 m, Journson) Chester Lester, Tim Dubois, Mike Seals; Warner House of Music/W.B. Gold Music Corp. BMI/ASCAP; MCA 52359 IF YOU'RE GONNA PLAY IN TEXAS (YOU GOTTA 27 34 4 42 14 GOD BLESS THE U.S.A.—Lee Greenwood (J.Crutchfield) L.Greenwood; Music Corp. of America/Sycamore Valley, BMI; 62 I CAN TELL BY THE WAY YOU DANCE(YOU'RE GONNA LOVE ME TONIGHT—Vern Gosdin (B Mevis)
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R.C. Bannon, M. Spriggs; Warner-Tamerlane/Three Ships/Writers, House **63** 82 2 94 8 YOU BRING THE HEARTACHE (I'LL BRING THE 97 MY BABY'S GONE—The Kendalls (B. Ahern) H. Houser, Central Songs, BMI; Mercury 822-203-7 29 15 13 18 JUST ANOTHER WOMAN IN LOVE-Anne Murray (J.E. 64 46 WINE)—Gary Wolf (J.Chambers) G.Wolf, J.Chambers, L.Jenkins; Galleon. ASCAP; Mercury 822-244-7 Norman) P. Ryan, W. Mallette; Southern Nights, ASCAP; Capitol 5344 30 35 6 STUCK ON YOU—Lionel Richie (L. Richie, J.A. Carmichael)
L. Richie: Brockman, ASCAP: Motown 1746 98 90 10 SLOW DANCIN'—Kimberly Springs (J.Fuller, J.Hobbs) J.Fuller, J.Hobbs; ATV/Wingtip/Hobbler, BMI; Capitol 5366 FIRST TIME BURNED—Johnny Rodriguez (R. Albright) J. McBride; Foster & Rice, ASCAP; Epic 34-04562 65) 75 18 15 THAT'S THE THING ABOUT LOVE-Don Williams 31 I WANT TO GO SOMEWHERE—Keith Stegall (K.Lehning)
D.Lowery, M.McAnally; Sheddhouse/I've Got The Music, ASCAP; Epic 99 92 16 COLD JULY—Robin Lee (J. Morris) M. Bird; Let There Be Music/USA Penny Renae, ASCAP; Evergreen 1023 3 66 73 (D.Williams,G.Fundis) R.Leigh,G.Nicholson, April/Lionhearted/Cross Key's (Tree Group), ASCAP: MCA 52389 DISENCHANTED—Michael Martin Murphy (J.E.Norman)
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Epic 34-04460 32 Mavis) Hank Cochran, Dean Dillon; Tree, BMI; Compleat 126 (Polygram)

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# Nashville Scene

## Was This Duet Nomination 'Needed'?

By KIP KIRBY

The Country Music Assn. has released this year's list of finalists for forthcoming Oct. 8 CMA Awards. The good news is that the voting has been especially kind to newcomers, artists who only this year have made their big splashthrough or who are making a career comeback from pop into country.

It's great to see names like Exile,

the Nitty Gritty Dirt Band, the Judds, Gary Morris and George Strait moving up fast, and we applaud their presence on the final ballot.



But then, there's the CMA vocal duo of the year category, and its inexplicable inclusion of Don Williams & Emmylou Harris. In September of 1981, Emmylou and Don had a duet called "If I Needed You," which went to number three on the country charts. That was almost precisely three years ago. They have had no duets since then.

"If I Needed You" was certainly a fine duet-but does a three-year-old release really deserve to take up space in a year that's given us a number of excellent contenders? It kind of makes you wonder whether the CMA voters actually listen to coun-

If so, then how could they have chosen a three-year-old release over "The Yellow Rose" by Johnny Lee & Lane Brody, a No. 1 hit only months ago? Or what about the great Lynn Anderson/Gary Morris duet, You're Welcome To Tonight," which helped pave the way for her MCA signing?

This year saw the pairing of Mickey Gilley and Charly McClain on the No. 1 song, "Paradise Tonight," since followed up by more duet singles and an album. Even Ray Charles and George Jones jumped into the

act with "We Didn't See A Thing."

Well, apparently, Ray and George aren't the only ones who "didn't see a thing." Voters this year must have either overlooked the newer entriesor still preferred Emmylou and Don's cut after so much time.

A phone call to the Country Music Assn. assured us that while the organization does have an eligibility period of July 1, 1983 through June 30, 1984 for awards going to productthat is, single of the year, song of the year and album of the year-it has no such eligibility time frame on awards given to performers.

Which may explain the disgruntled comment of one record company senior vice president when he saw "If I Needed You" in the duo division again: "If they're going to let old records in, why not nominate Jimmy Wakely and Margaret Whiting? That would make about as much sense.

We don't think we'd go back quite that far. On the other hand, we wonder if the CMA might not consider instituting a blanket eligibility period for all its awards categories. way, it could truly represent the current achievements of those making today's country music.

From the moment Geraldine Ferraro's name hit the history books as the first female vice presidential candidate on a major ticket, it was clear that the novelty record flood couldn't be far behind.

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Country music has always had a lock on novelty records. As soon as news makes the headlines, people rush to react on vinyl. We've had country records about the gas shortage, the Iranian hostages, the Ayatollah Khomeini, the women's movement, the Russian boycott of the Olympics, and even one about the doomed flight of Korean Airlines jetliner 007.

Now that pundits have Gerry Ferraro as fodder for fun, the records are

already starting to roll in. Our personal favorite so far is a light-hearted spoof titled "Fritz And Frills" by an artist named Vik Chandler on the Soundwaves label.

While the title is fairly self-explanatory, we thought we'd give you a sample of the lyrics as well: "It'll be just like Death Valley days at Reagan's ranch out West/If Mondale is elected and the VP wears a dress. If he should be succeeded/by VP Geraldine/We'd have the first First Gentleman/This country's

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The Judds, still reeling from the thrill of finding themselves nominated for three CMA Awards after only two singles, are set for a five-city Catour with country/rocker Neil Young and his International Harvesters. The Judds will also do a West Coast tour with Ricky Skaggs and the Nitty Gritty Dirt Band in September. Dates include one triple bill at the Greek Theatre in Los Angeles

And although we shudder to mention this, Warner Bros.'s comedy team of Pinkard & Bowden has struck again with a parody of the Judds' "Mama He's Crazy." Only in Richard and Sandy's version, it's "Mama He's Lazy." That's not all. We hear via the grapevine that the incorrigible twosome may be planning a lampoon of the Nitty Gritty Dirt Band's "Long Hard Road," which they would re-title "Big White Commode." Hmmmm. Guess whoever said "imitation is the sincerest form of flattery" had never encountered Richard and Sandy!

MCA/MDJ group Atlanta has joined with MCA Records and Turties Records & Tapes to help veteran baseball pitcher Phil Niekro and his special charity cause, spina bifida.

During the month of August, \$1 from the purchase price of Atlanta's

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STRAIT FORWARD—George Strait reviews material with his new producer, Jimmy Bowen, prior to recording his upcoming MCA album in Nashville.

# **Ex-Texas Playboys Pay** Tribute To Founder Wills

By ELLIS WIDNER

TULSA-More than 50 former Texas Playboys band members gathered at the Tulsa Convention Center Aug. 11 to pay tribute in a four-hour concert to Playboys founder Bob Wills. The event commemorated Wills' move with his band to Tulsa 50 years ago.

Delta Records, sponsors of the concert and reunion, taped the show for both album and video release. The group now touring as "The Original Texas Playboys" provided the core band for the concert, as many of Wills' former musicians took their turn on stage.

The current Playboys are steel guitarist Leon McAuliffe, pianist Al Stricklin, bassist Joe Frank Fergu-Stricklin, bassist Joe A. Singer son, drummer Smoky Dacus, singer Pausch fiddlers Gene Gasaway and Bob Boatright and guitarist Eldon Shamblin.

Among the guests were J. (June) Eldon Whalin, one of the five original Playboys; steel guitarist Gene Crownover; singers Laura Lee McBride (Wills' first female vocalist), Ramona Reed and Johnny Widener; saxophonists Glenn Rhees and Billy Biggs; guitarist Gene Thomas;

and clarinetist Wood Woods. Shreveport disk jockey Larry Scott was MC.

Delta Records president David Stallings said that a record of the concert will be released this fall and that he plans to make the concert/reunion an annual event.

Next year, Stallings added, the show will be expanded to two days, featuring a Friday night dance and a Saturday concert.

# **New Construction** On Music Row

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announcer's booth, editing suite, control room, dressing rooms and production offices.

"The expansion was necessary," explains the firm's president Jim Owens. "Our offices were located in three different areas in Nashville because of the rapid growth we experienced in the past year."

Owens' facility, while actually located several blocks off Music Row, still benefits from the central location and proximity to record companies, publishing firms, production houses and studios.

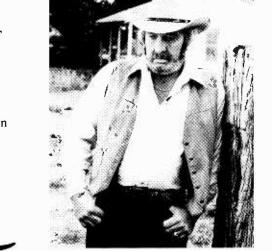
Some industry executives, among them BMI's Del Bryant and produc-er/publisher Blake Mevis, are settling instead for purchasing existing structures (usually one of the rundown old homes that still comprise much of the Music Row area) and converting them to luxury office or living space

As a result of the Music Row gold rush, the city is considering a beautification plan to improve the area, a favorite for tourists. The Metro Development & Housing Agency has offered a grant of \$100,000 toward Music Row "streetscaping" if matching funds can be raised by the private sector. Leading the fund-raising effort are Jerry Bradley of Bradley Productions, Bob Kirsch of the Welk Music Group, Connie Bradley of ASCAP, Harry Warner of BMI, Jo Walker-Meador of the CMA, Rose Drake of the Drake Music Group and Mitchell Taub of Mitchell Taub & Associates.

However, despite the healthy growth along Music Row, there are signs that the entertainment industry here may still not be getting its money's worth. A new multi-million-dollar convention center under construction downtown has been the focus of heated controversy since its inception. A major drawback to the center, say concerned music executives, is that it contains no provision for any type of entertainment hall or auditorium.



- "If people will just sit and listen to this song and it's one we can all relate to!" Tom Phifer, KRMD Shreveport.
- "Unique record with a unique style, J.W.'s best." Tom Neuman, KGA Spokane.
- "It takes a situation we are all familiar with and delivers it with a style we can all relate to. Incredible!" Johnny Steele, KBEG Las Vegas.
- "Pulls at your heart strings shades of Lefty and Don." Pete Brier, KWKH Shreveport.
- "Best record yet for J.W. Hats off to the producer, Bob McCracken." Jerry King, KKYX San Antonio.
- J.W. Chompson • "Very moving tribute to dads everywhere. Wish my Dad was still around to hear it; well written." Lee Shannon, WQIK Jacksonville
- "Record hit home! Thompson's delivery reminiscent of early George Jones." Ginny Welsch, WMZQ Washington D. C.



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# Nashville Scene

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For those who are curious about the fact that both the new Mickey Gilley and John Schneider albums have the same title cut, "Too Good To Stop Now," yes, it's the same

Schneider recorded his version of the Bob McDill/Rory Bourke tune earlier this year with producer Jimmy Bowen. However, at the time, Schneider didn't have a record deal. Meanwhile, Gilley cut the song with his producer John Boyland and decided to make it the first release from the new album, thus scotching Schneider's hopes of making it his second single after "I've Been Around Enough To Know" on MCA.

What's really interesting, though, is the fact that neither Gilley nor Schneider were the first to cut the song. "Too Good To Stop Now" was originally recorded on an unreleased session by Gary Morris. Later, when it appeared that John Boylan might be producing Johnny Rodriguez, he tried the song, but once again, the session was never released.

Which goes to show that in this business, timing can be everything.

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Speaking of Gary Morris, he made his Grand Ole Opry debut Saturday, Aug. 11, singing "Velvet Chains" and "Wind Beneath My Wings." He got a standing ovation from the usually docile Opry crowd and a rare encore invitation; he returned and sang "The Love She Found In Me."

Not to be outdone, Pinkard & Bowden (mentioned earlier in this column, and how did they get back in again?) were scheduled to make their own Opry debut one Saturday later. We're holding our breath on the results of that one.

Permian Records is promoting its first Dottie West single, "What's Good For The Goose," with press kit mailings and materials to radio and media. The label plans a second mailing of the single in a four-color picture sleeve. The release is from West's new "Just Dottie" album on Permian, produced by Jerry Crutchfield.

Donna Fargo took advantage of her first "Nashville Now" appearance recently to rib host Ralph Emery about the fact that he was the first national DJ to receive her "Happiest Girl In The Whole U.S.A." single—and hated it. Ralph sheepishly admitted the story was true, but saved face by adding that after he started playing it in response to listener requests, he learned to love it.

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# Talent

# Paranormal Success For Parker 'Ghostbusters' Is Veteran Performer's First No. 1

By HARRY WEINGER

NEW YORK-In his long career as a top sideman, group leader and solo artist, Ray Parker Jr. has certainly become accustomed to success. Yet until "Ghostbusters" recently busted out of the pack of summer singles to top the Hot 100, he never had a No. 1 record on his own.

"I've always wanted have hit records, that's all," Parker says. "I don't know if having a No. 1 was a goal, but it feels a lot better than I thought it would."

While bettering his own chart heights may be satisfying for Parker, his career began at a reluctant pace. He's been more than busy since his teenage years when Stevie Wonder claimed him for the road. In the ensuing 12 years he has cultivated a veof confident nonchalance. Parker terms it "being practical."

"Playing with all those people was just something to do until I could get back to college," Parker says. "I wanted to be a lawyer. Pretty soon, though, I was working on 50 records

a week.
"I thought it was great, but I just wanted to have enough money to invest so that when I finally got thrown out of the music business, I would have something to do."

A deal with Arista for Parker's

group Raydio delayed his premature expulsion, but even with their string of top 10 hits, the guitarist aspired to maintain a nest-egg. It wasn't until Raydio's 1981 smash, "A Woman Needs Love," that Parker felt he had truly joined the ranks.

"Even then I tried to erase my vo-

cals, but Clive Davis thought it was a smash. I thought, 'They're really going to put this out?' I know I do a lot better now, but then I was a nervous wreck.

The record's release was a turning point for Parker. "After I hit, I called my manager (Joe Ruffalo of Cavallo, Ruffalo & Fargnoli), and told him I decided to be in the record business.

With support from Ruffalo as well as musician friends Ollie Brown and Arnell Carmichael (who leads the surviving Raydio), a more relaxed Parker now claims No. 1 status. Nevertheless, to some the record which brought him to this plateau bears more than a passing resemblance to Huey Lewis' "I Want A New Drug." Parker deflects any hint of indiscriminate borrowing in the production of "Ghostbusters.

"Nah. It's more like M's 'Pop Muhe offers. "And remember 'Soul Finger' by the Bar-Kays? At least there the chorus comes in at the same time." When pressed, Parker stands firm. "To me it doesn't sound like any of those," he states. "I can't see the resemblance to Huey Lewis. I just don't hear it."

Taking a cue from Ruffalo's development with Prince and "Purple Rain," Parker is set to make his film acting debut in a romantic comedy called "Love Songs." "We're curcalled "Love Songs." "We're currently in production," Parker says. "I will write the songs and appear in the

Parker is also active as a producer. He was previously involved in Warner Bros. botched attempt to make Jamaican teenage singing sen-

sation Jr. Tucker an American pop star-"I did the album as a favor for a friend," Parker says now-and he recently completed one track for

New Edition.
The tune, "Telephone Man," was recorded at Parker's Ameraycan Studios in Los Angeles. It's set to appear on the young group's MCA debut. Parker also recently completed work on singer/songwriter Randy Hall's debut album for MCA, "I Belong To You.

Parker's original group, Raydio, is still with Arista, but the success of 'Ghostbusters' has prevented the group's latest album from surfacing. was supposed to be out this month, but the label wants another Ray Parker Jr. album. I'm getting started on it now." The album will be Parker's last for the label.

Through the efforts of Carol Childs, who brought him to Arista, Parker signed an agreement with Geffen Records in 1982. After 12 years, Parker is finally getting his nest-egg.

"They gave me a million dollars, and that wasn't even 'the deal',"
Parker says. "It was a sign of good faith.

Sufficiently seduced, the guitaristturned-singer has no qualms about joining a label less familiar with the adult contemporary and black chart territory carved out by Arista.

"I was the first black artist on Arista to go gold," Parker says, "so it's not as new to Geffen, with the Warner Bros. staff, as it was to Arista then. I have no fears." His first album for Geffen is scheduled for release in early 1985.

IT'S HIS HOMETOWN—Bruce Springsteen pauses to take requests from the audience during one of his 10 shows at New Jersey's Brendan Byrne Arena. (Photo: Chuck Pulin)

# Caviano's Career Guidance **Keeps Grace Jones Visible**

YORK-When Grace Jones rose to prominence in the late '70s, her exotic look was considered outlandish and often ridiculed. Today, the model-turned-disco divaturned-video pioneer is a leading barometer of the fashion scene and is highly visible in the commercial mainstream.

Jones has appeared opposite Arnold Schwarzenegger in the box office hit "Conan The Destroyer," and appears with Adam Ant in a tv commercial for Honda. And she's currently in London lensing a villainous role as the bodyguard May Day in the next James Bond/Roger Moore chapter, "A View To A Kill." Jones' influence on pop fashion is also reflected in the look of such contemporary music acts as Eurythmics and the Thompson Twins.

With most pop acts, looks are a side issue. But Bob Caviano, head of the New York-based management and booking company Bob Caviano Enterprises, notes that that's not the case with Jones: "Grace's main acein-the-hole was her look, so record or not, she could still stay out there.'

Indeed, Jones hasn't had a new record since the 1982 release of "Living My Life," which failed to match the chart success of its predecessor, "Nightclubbing."

While Caviano oversees various projects for other acts, including Sarah Dash, the System and RCA's rappers IRT, Jones is his first priority. It has been that way from the

Making the transition for Jones from a disco and fashion curiosity to a major name—who else has survived that era but Donna Summer?-began in earnest after her first Island album "Portfolio." Caviano set up one of the first "disco tours," on which Jones played 40 clubs across the country

"We had our own light show and road crew, as well as the dancers and muscle men," recalls Caviano. "I brought Grace to the next step. We brought the old world of booking and touring into the world of dance that was breaking."

But when disco "died," Caviano found his company scrambling to find new material. The recording of 'Warm Leatherette," under the direction of label founder Chris Blackwell, cultivated a new audience for Jones: the rock critics and the "legitimate" press. Caviano brought "De-molition Man," written by Sting, to the project. The album also included covers of tunes by Tom Petty, the Pretenders, Roxy Music and L.A. punkers the Normal.

"We began to see Grace could

keep her dance beat with a little more of a rock'n'roll flavor. Getting material from that area was suddenly OK," notes Caviano.

A similar pattern, with more r&b overtones, brought Jones greater commercial success on the followup album, "Nightclubbing." But a hit of the proportion of that album's centerpiece, "Pull Up To The Bumper," has yet to materialize.

While a new album is complete, Caviano says the Island contract has not been renewed. He says he'll announce a major label signing shortly, with product due for release in Janu-

ary or February.
Photographer Jean-Paul Goude is expected to be included in Jones' future. As director and snapshooter of Jones' most popular album covers. Goude is responsible for much of her current image. He also produced and directed the influential "One-Man Show" video.

While Jones will be busy through the end of 1984 with the Bond film, other cinematic offers are being considered. Caviano is also looking ahead to product endorsements. Jones recently completed a Citröen car commercial for the European

Caviano says his company has come a long way from the workaday dance club world to the courtship of Hollywood's inner offices. He points out, however, that Jones makes many of the final decisions. She recently turned down a customized cameo role in the upcoming John Travolta film, "Perfect." Carly Simon will be seen flinging a drink in the star's face HARRY WEINGER

#### TRIO ON 'MYSTERY TOUR'

# CSN Seeing 'Daylight Again'

LOS ANGELES-Crosby, Stills & Nash insist that their upcoming U.S. tour isn't a reunion on the order of recent tours by Simon & Garfunkel or the Everly Brothers. They maintain that they can't have a re union because they were never really a group in the first place.

We always set out to be three individuals," says Graham Nash, who was still working with the Hollies when he met Stephen Stills and David Crosby 16 years ago.

"That's why we kept our own names and never had a 'band' identity," adds ex-Buffalo Springfield gui-

"Now, when all of a sudden we

same time with some songs," ventures former Byrd Crosby, only to be interrupted by Stills: "Balderdash! There are secret plans, but we keep them from our managers until the last minute."

The current plan-secret or notis to tour as CSN from August through late September, playing mainly large outdoor venues. "We call it the Mystery Tour," says Nash. "We didn't want to play anywhere we had played recently, so I don't even know where some of these cities

When a band has been together this long (their self-titled debut album was released in 1969), there's a

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danger that they'll be perceived as a nostalgia act. It's a trap CSN try to avoid.

"It's always been a delicate balance," says Nash. "If we owe anything to anybody, we owe our fans a certain base of what they came to hear. There's an ideal formula for new and old that we haven't quite struck yet."

"There's some stuff they'd feel cheated if they didn't hear," expands Crosby, "and there's some stuff we'd feel cheated if we didn't get a chance to play.

The trio expects to include material from its group efforts as well as the material of its individual members. Stills has just released his 25th album-"Right By You," on Atlantic-and Nash is also at work on an upcoming solo project.

"It's hard for us to make solo albums," jokes Crosby. "They come out sounding like CSN."

When 1982's "Daylight Again"

went platinum, cynics were taken by surprise at the success of this "come-back" by an "over-the-hill" band. But capacity crowds of 10,000 and more on the current tour prove that CSN never really went away, and that they appeal to new listeners and old devotees alike.

"Last time we went out," says Crosby, "almost half the audience were kids. And they knew the words. I don't know who told them the

words."
"When I saw 14-year-olds singing our songs," adds Nash, "it meant that the stuff we wrote 10, 14 years ago still has meaning. As a songwriter, it's nice to know that your stuff lasts longer than the next station break.'

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# Talent In Action

#### GO-GO's RED ROCKERS

Greek Theatre, Los Angeles Tickets: \$15

While the Go-Go's may be slipping a bit in terms of record sales-their "Talk Show" album has yet to go gold after five months—they remain a captivating live act. The group drew a full house to their show here Aug. 15, and kept the crowd on its feet for almost the entire show.

The reason for the Go-Go's' durability in concert is that they have gained a reputation as a dependable live act, one that puts on a solid, briskly-paced show. And so it was at the Greek, where the group performed songs from their three IRS albums, along with one early song (Charlotte Caffey's "Surfing In Style") that they played in their days on the L.A. club circuit.

Every detail of the show seemed right, from the clean, uncluttered stage design to the clever way each member was introduced and spotlighted during the second song, "Cool Jerk," The only change the group might consider is to save one of their hits for the encore, to give that spot extra impact.

More than any other act since the Beach Boys, the Go-Go's are synonymous with fun, summer and a good-natured party spirit. They also have a sly sense of humor, as demonstrated in this memorable stanza from their 1982 hit, "Vacation": "A week without you/Thought I'd forget/Two weeks without you/And I still haven't gotten over you yet.

If some of the groups's recent material lacks the darker undercurrent of such early works as "This Town," the group sought to make up for it in concert. Belinda Carlisle sang "Turn To You" with a sense of urgency not heard on the record. And the slow, moody ballad "Automatic" helped to balance such uptempo froth as "Head Over Heels," with which the group opened the show.

Red Rockers preceded the Go-Go's with a set of spare, melodic rock'n'roll along the lines of the Clash. Highlights of the Columbia group's set included last year's midchart hit "China" and a cover of Barry McGuire's classic-of-its-kind, "Eve Of Destruction.

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#### **HERB ALPERT &** THE TIJUANA BRASS SERGIO MENDES

Greek Theatre, Los Angeles Tickets: \$15

The key to the success of the Tijuana Brass reunion tour is the presence of such contemporary-sounding pieces as "Fandango" and "Bullish." Those songs have a tough, vital edge that helps to balance the spritely, bouncy tunes that form the core of the group's repertoire. Without these songs, the show would be

mere notaliga; with them it's a perfect balance of old and new, of froth and funk.

The Greek show was exceptionally well-designed. The set had a clean, uncluttered look, and the lighting effects were first-rate. And Alpert came up with a highly clever finish, wherein high-speed painter Denny Dent sketched A pert's silhouette on a huge canvas, while and the Brass played "Fandango.

Even Alpert's recent works cover a broad spectrum stylistically, from the soft sophistication of "Route 101" to the hard-edged pulse of "Make A Wish." Appearing here Aug. 19, Alpert also offered a classy solo trumpet version of Lionel Richie's poignant "Hello.

Alpert even managed to work his family into the act: His wife, Lani Hall, was featured midway through the show when she fronted a jazz trio and sang three songs, ranging from ballads to bebop. And their nine-year-old daughter Ari was a featured dancer on one instrumental

Alpert told the audience that this was the first time the Brass had performed together since 1969, but that certainly wasn't evident from their playing. The nine-man ensemble, featuring Julius Wechter, former leader of the Baja Marimba Band, played tightly throughout the 90-minute show. Alpert proved to be a friendly and gracious host, and seemed genuinely touched by the strong audience response. 'Thank you for this moment," he told the crowd, which cheered until the Greek's curfew precluded further encores.

The show was opened by fellow A&M artists Sergio Mendes, whose diverse set mixed Brazil '66 oldies, soulful ballads, catchy pop tunes and one poignant standard, Charlie Chaplin's "Smile." Mendes was backed by an eightmember band and three vocalists in his first local appearance since his comeback last summer with "Never Gonna Let You Go

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#### **GAP BAND**

Roseland, New York Tickets: \$14.50, \$12.50

Grooves deeper than the subway and a style slicker and tighter than their satin jumpsuits are what the Wilson brothers put into their records. Their live act starts with these elements and adds a large backup band and a larger dose of raucous fun and raunchy showmanship.

The Gap Band's hour-long set Aug. 8, for the most part made up of material from the group's last two Total Experience albums, was wildly entertaining, but exhausting, as the band practically demanded the audience's shouting, clapping, shaking participation.

Highlights of the show included "Early In The Morning," which built from a deceptively slow, romantic start into a heavy, celebratory thumper, and "I Don't Believe You Want To Get Up And Dance (Oops, Upside Your Head)," a par-

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ty funker that exploded in Clintonesque chantjamming. "Jam The Motha" also cooked, as an accomplished break dancer took center stage away from the gyrating Charlie Wilson.

Except for choruses with his brothers Robert and Ronnie, Charlie was the focal point of the act. His solid vocal work and seasoned frontman performance, which borrows much from the "Sex Machine" school of theatrics, really held together and carried the momentum of the band's forceful playing. The show's closing numbers allowed his ability to shine as a segue of "You Dropped A Bomb On Me" and "Party Train" tore through the ballroom. Outstanding indeed

Konk, a ragtag band of white funksters with Latin leanings, opened for the Gap Band with a set that was heavy on percussion and light on polish and pretension. Signed to the independent Sleeping Bag label, the band showed best on their two hits, "Konk Party" and the current dance charter "Your Life." KATHY GILLIS

#### **JOHNNY MATHIS**

Greek Theatre, Los Angeles Tickets: \$15

Johnny Mathis has been a regular on the summer touring circuit for 27 years, it's easy to take him for granted. And because he hasn't been a consistent hitmaker for the past 20 years, it's easy to write him off. But he reaffirmed his position in pop Aug. 9 with a show marked by exceptional range and taste.

At times Mathis seemed to be trying to move away from the pristine style that he first popularized in the late '50s. He omitted such signature songs as "Wonderful! Wonderful!" and "It's Not For Me To Say," and included just a line of his classic "Misty." And while he did perform "The Twelfth Of Never," one of his most floral ballads, he gave it a very spare, understated arrangement, singing it softly against a backdrop of just acoustic quitar

In place of these songs, Mathis performed such contemporary pieces as Peter Allen's silky, fluid "Fly Away" and "Simple," the rhythmic shuffle that is his latest single. While Mathis seemed to be trying to update his repertoire, he still found room for such old favorites as the charming "Small World" from "Gypsy" and several classics from "West Side Story." Indeed, even such relatively recent songs as Thom Bell's exquisite "Stop, Look And Listen (To Your Heart)" and the Bergmans' profound "How Do You Keep The Music Playing?" are traditional-styled ballads.

The one song in the set that seems out of keeping with Mathis' efforts to stage a looser, more relaxed show is "Memory," that arch stuffed shirt of a song from "Cats." It's hard to see what it is about this grandiose, self-important anthem that makes superstars like Mathis, Streisand and Manilow line up to try and breathe life into it.

Mathis' only other misstep was in, surprisingly, opening the show for comedienne Jeannine Brunier. Mathis performed five songs and then turned the stage over to Brunier, concluding his set after the intermission. This was a gracious gesture, to be sure, but one that needlessly broke Mathis' momentum and pa-PAUL GREIN

#### **NONA HENDRYX**

Irving Plaza, New York Tickets: \$12

Sporting a majorette outfit and fronting a strong five-piece band, Nona Hendryx made a flashy return to the Big Apple Aug. 2, belting out material from her two recent RCA albums. Hendryx was entertaining in her staging and impressive in her vocal range and control.

A surprisingly thin crowd turned out for the show at one of the city's smaller venues. Given the strength of the band, which could easily have filled a much larger hall and sound system, the turnout was disappointing.

Opening with "B-Boys," Hendryx immediately established a warm rapport with the audience, asking how many b-boys (bad boys) were there and eliciting a rousing cheer. From there, she moved to "Living On The Border," which had a hard rockish groove perfect for her wailing and strutting. By the time she got to "I Sweat (Going Through The Motions)," she

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The following are among the top concert grosses nationwide reported through the survey week. Included are act(s), gross, attendance, capacity of facility, ticket prices, promoter, facility, city, number of shows, number of sellouts and dates(s).

Among the top concert grosses through Aug. 14.

JACKSONS-\$4,452,210, 148,407, \$30, Stadium Management Corp., Neyland Stadium, Knoxville, three shows, three sellouts, Aug. 10-12. NEIL DIAMOND—\$601,321, 36,243, \$17 & \$15, Concerts West, Cap-

itol Center, Landover, Md., two shows, one sellout, Aug. 8-9.

PETER, PAUL & MARY—\$333,319, 28,532 (36,097), \$17.90, \$14.90, \$9.90 & \$4.90, Ray Shepardson, Fox Theatre, St. Louis, eight shows, Aug. 7-12.

BILLY IDOL, BOP STREET—\$243,786, 12,887, \$14.30 & \$13.20, Feyline Presents, Red Rocks Amphitheatre, Denver, two shows, two sell-

outs, Aug. 7-8. WILLIE NELSON, MICHAEL MARTIN MURPHEY-\$234,009, 15,576 (18,000), \$15.40 & \$13.10, Feyline Presents, Red Rocks Amphitheatre, Denver, two shows, July 30-31.

CARS, WANG CHUNG-\$189,612, 15,603, \$12.50, Sunshine Promotions, Market Square Arena, Indianapolis, one show, sellout, Aug. 6. AEROSMITH, HELIX—\$171,635, 14,652, \$12.50 & \$10, Electric Fac-

- AEROSMITH, HELIX—\$171,635, 14,632, \$12.50 & \$10, Electric ractions concerts, The Spectrum, Philadelphia, one show, sellout, Aug. 8.

  BILLY IDOL, DOGS—\$165,000, 11,000, \$15, Bill Graham Presents,
  California Expo Amphitheatre, Sacramento, one show, sellout, Aug. 11.

  HUEY LEWIS & THE NEWS, STEVIE RAY VAUGHAN—\$164,762,
  13,181, \$12.50, Brass Ring Prods./SRO Prods., The Omni, Atlanta, one
- show, sellout, Aug. 8.
  HUEY LEWIS & THE NEWS, STEVIE RAY VAUGHAN—\$161,375, 12,910 (13,800), \$12.50, Whisper Concerts, Norfolk (Va.) Scope, Aug.
- CHARLIE DANIELS BAND—\$159,258, 9,652 (20,000), \$16.50, Cross Country Concerts/Monitor Prods., Veteran's Stadium, New Britain, Conn., July 27.
- OZZY OSBOURNE, MICHAEL BOLTON-\$155,340, 10,356 (12,000), \$15, Water Brother Prods./Another Consolidated Concept, Hiram Bithorne Stadium, San Juan, Aug. 4.
- CROSBY, STILLS & NASH—\$148,584, 11,018, \$15 & \$13.50, Frank J. Russo, Mt. Cranmore, North Conway, N.H., one show, sellout, Aug. 12. HUEY LEWIS & THE NEWS, STEVIE RAY VAUGHAN—\$147,175,
- 11,774 (15,887), \$12.50, Beach Club Promotions, Greensboro (N.C.) Coliseum, Aug. 9. HUEY LEWIS & THE NEWS, STEVIE RAY VAUGHAN-\$145,075, 11,676, \$12.50, Fantasma Prods., Jacksonville (Fla.) Coliseum, one
- show, sellout, Aug. 4. HUEY LEWIS & THE NEWS, STEVIE RAY VAUGHAN—\$144,762, 11,581 (17,129), \$12.50, Brass Ring Prods., The Omni, Atlanta, Aug.
- EURYTHMICS, HOWARD JONES-\$144,524 (\$180,656 Canadian),
- 13,318, \$16 & \$12, Nederlander Corp., Kingswood Music Theatre, Toronto, Ont., one show, sellout, Aug. 8.

  HUEY LEWIS & THE NEWS, STEVIE RAY VAUGHAN—\$143,350,
  11,500, \$12.50, Fantasma Prods., The Sun Dome, Tampa, one show,
- sellout, Aug. 3. HUEY LEWIS & THE NEWS, STEVIE RAY VAUGHAN-\$137,292, 10,853, \$13.50 & \$12.50, Whisper Concerts, Roanoke (Va.) Civic Cen-
- ter, one show, sellout, Aug 10. CROSBY, STILLS & NASH—\$131,796, 9,562, \$15 & \$13.50, Frank J.
- Russo, Spencer (Mass.) Fairgrounds, one show, sellout, Aug. 11.
  HANK WILLIAMS JR., DAVID ALLAN COE—\$125,912, 10,073, \$12.50, Paul Scoggins Presents, Charlotte (N.C.) Coliseum, one show, sellout, Aug. 4.
- PRETENDERS, SIMPLE MINDS-\$117,775, 9,422, \$12.50, Frank J. Russo, Providence (R.I.) Civic Center, one show, sellout, Aug. 9.

  JIMMY BUFFETT—\$117,320, 8,800, \$13.75 & \$12.75, Feyline
- Prods., Red Rocks Amphitheatre, Denver, one show, sellout, Aug. 9. AEROSMITH, STOMPERS—\$109,317, 9,500, \$12.50 & \$11.50, FEI Entertainment, Cumberland County Civic Center, Portland, Me., one
- show, sellout, Aug. 10. CHICAGO—\$105,871, 5,861, \$20, \$17.50 & \$15, In-House, Radio
- City Music Hall, New York, one show, sellout, Aug. 9.
  DIO, TWISTED SISTER—\$100,355, 7,968 (9,000), \$13.20 & \$12.10, Feyline Presents, Red Rocks Amphitheatre, Denver, Aug. 1.
  HUEY LEWIS & THE NEWS, STEVIE RAY VAUGHAN—\$97,273, 2,918 (12,000) \$13 & \$12, Makoul Prods., City Island, Harrisburg, Pa., Aug.
- YES—\$96,012, 8,081 (10,000), \$13.50 & \$12.50, Contemporary Prods., Omaha (Neb.) Civic Center, Aug. 9. AIR SUPPLY—\$94,748, 9,106 (10,600), \$12 & \$10, Rochester Phil-
- harmonic Orchestra, Fingerlakes Performing Arts Center, Canadaigua,
- GROVER WASHINGTON JR., PIECES OF A DREAM-\$93,683, 6,533 (9,000), \$14.85 & \$13.75, Feyline Presents, Red Rocks Amphitheatre,
- EDDIE MONEY, TRAK-\$92,000, 8,000, \$11.50, In-House, Santa Clara (Calif.) County Fair Grandstand, San Jose, one show, sellout, Aug.
- FERRANTE & TEICHER, ST. LOUIS SYMPHONY—\$88,373, 14,614 (16,020), \$12, \$9 & \$4.50, St. Louis Symphony Society/St. Louis County Pops, The Greenfelder Recreation Complex, Queeny Park, St. Louis, five shows, one sellout, Aug. 7-12
- HUEY LEWIS & THE NEWS, STEVIE RAY VAUGHAN-\$87,612, 7,009 (12,900), \$12.50, Beach Club Promotions, Charlotte (N.C.) Coliseum, Aug. 6.
- AMY GRANT, MICHAEL W. SMITH-\$86,659, 7,905, \$13.75 & \$9.75, In-House, Concord (Calif.) Pavilion, one show, sellout, Aug. 11. ROD STEWART—\$85,413, 5,972 (9,314), \$15 & \$13.50, John Scher
- Presents, Rochester (N.Y.) War Memorial, Aug. 5.

  JIMMY BUFFETT—\$84,787, 5,950, \$14.25, Avalon Attractions/Double Tee Prods., Portland (Ore.) Civic Auditorium, two shows, two sellouts,

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# Talent

FESTIVAL REVIEW

# Challenging Menu At **Concord Jazz Bash**

Carl Jefferson, guiding light behind the construction of Northern California's Concord Pavilion and its yearly jazz festival, provided a challenging menu for the event's 16th outing Aug. 3-5.

Pairing the Modern Jazz Quartet with a rare U.S. visit by the largest big band, Rob McConnell & the Boss Brass, was sheer genius. The coheadliners blended like crisp salad greens and a tangy dressing.

The four veterans in the Modern

Jazz Quartet apply a touch as gentle as the finest kid leather. Even "True Blues" and uptempo standards are played at a conversational volume. Vibraphonist Milt Jackson per-formed "Nature Boy" sans his three mates, to the most rapt attention given any artist during the festival.

Rob McConnell and his 22 Canadian sidemen not only reprised several of their outstanding recordings, but also featured numerous unrecorded instrumentals that spiced their portion of Saturday night. The ebullient McConnell pipes his own enthusiasm into this amazing array of ensemble and solo talent.

Also playing that evening was the Emily Remler Quartet, with John D'Earth providing astonishing trumpet as bassist Eddie Gomez created an outstanding tapestry with drummer Bob Moses.

The Fraser MacPherson & Ed Bickert Quintet, with pianist Dave McKenna, McConnell bassist Steve Wallace and drummer Jake Hanna, opened the three nights with a fine set of subtle modern jazz.

In 1971, Ron Carter and Jim Hall needed a booking and heard of a New York club that wanted duos. Their sound, recently released on a Concord Jazz recording, is extraordinary. The two coordinated on both Carter originals and evergreens like "Stardust" and "Indian Summer" for a mature and sophisticated program.

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The Dave Brubeck Quartet played a great deal of new material. The leader, hampered by laryngitis, explained only one of five new selections. Perhaps the ebullient Chris Brubeck, an outstanding bassist and trombonist, could have taken over the talk for the evening. Clarinetist Bill Smith's return enhanced the overall effect, especially when he used the sound-delay foot pedal.

Tito Puente's All-Stars kicked off Sunday night with a rousing set featuring Mario Rivera's reed wizardry. But the leader's failure to play a vibes

solo was disappointing.
Ernestine Anderson has blossomed into one of the finest funk delineators. Assisted by bassist Ray Brown, drummer Garrett King, tenor saxophonist Red Holloway and keyboardist Gene Harris, she was a very re-laxed performer. "Down Home Blues," "Summertime" and "Big City" revealed her ability to get down with the best.

Though John Pena plays marvelous rock and jazz bass, his volume obstructed Tania Maria's overall performance. The Brazilian pianist shook the joint with her inimitable jazz scatting to her own keyboard improvisations. She roused the crowd as she led her Latin-tinged-with-rock quintet.

On Saturday night during the "picnic" hour prior to the concert, Los Medanos College's 20-piece jazz crew, batoned by John Maltester, played an almost faultless minutes.

The entire stage and grounds crew at this beautiful outdoor site worked overtime to present a most fluid program. Ticket prices were set at \$14.75, \$12.75 and \$8.75 nightly.

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# Washington Squares: Folkies For The '80s

By KIM FREEMAN

NEW YORK-There is literally nothing new about the Washington Squares' act. But the local trio's retreat to traditional American folk music has brought them a considerable amount of acclaim, a loyal following, and, most recently, a booking deal with American Talent International, a rare feat for an unsigned act.

ATI's Jeff Rowland, who orchestrated the contract, estimates that 99% of the agency's clients are either signed or committed to get signed.

Rowland says he sees the Squares as a "manifestation of a resurgence of traditional music." He adds that the group "offers a respite from the MTV age" and thus has "access to an older and often neglected demographic.'

Financially self-supporting after only a year as the Squares, each member of the trio rose through the ranks of various New York punk and/or rock outfits.

The group's roots can be traced to the city's stalwart new music club, the Peppermint Lounge, where bass guitarist Tom Goodkind worked during what he terms his "resistant punker" days. Spinning a mix of 'half rehashed disco and half rehashed punk," Goodkind says he occasionally threw in a folk tune as a gag, and the idea of a folk revival group was born.

While lead guitarist Bruce Paskow admits to an initial embarrassment about abandoning the electric guitar for an acoustic, he says he was "bored with rock'n'roll and ready to play pretty, enjoyable music with audible lyrics." As Goodkind puts it, "We'd had enough of the pounding and were tired of trying to look

The group's repertoire includes a humorous medley of solemnly delivered pop tunes, but Goodkind stresses that the Squares are not a parody group. The effort to remain true to the folk genre extends from researching their song selection to their dress and stage demeanor.

originals and hand-me-down tunes, which are researched for their historical content by the Squares' so-called "librarian," rhythm guitarist Lauren Agnelli.

While Goodkind says he hopes the Squares can emulate their predecessors in terms of affecting social change through their music, each member has a different approach to songwriting. Paskow's passion is personal relationships; Agnelli's is an "all hope is not lost" philosophy; and Goodkind's is politics.

The Squares recently played at a concert benefiting staffers at New York's weekly Village Voice newspaper, who were mobilizing for a possible strike. The event, says Goodkind. symbolizes the trio's commitment to carry the torch of true folkies in singing out for the people.

The Squares dress in what Agnelli calls the "classic style": lots of black,

berets, sunglasses and goatees for the men. "And it isn't just stage garb," adds Goodkind, who, it would seem, never leaves home without it.

At most of their shows, the group offers a \$10 "beatnik kit," complete with berets, glasses and goatees or pearls depending on the prospective folkie's gender.

According to Goodkind, one of the group's greatest rewards is the recognition they've received from their idols, Kingston Trio founder Dave Guard, Peter, Paul & Mary's Peter Yarrow, and beat poet Alan Ginsberg are just a few of the folk-era luminaries who've shared the stage with the Squares.

Goodkind predicts that the group will be signed to a major label sometime this fall. Meanwhile, the trio has a series of dates in Boston, New York, Philadelphia and several Midwestern cities planned through September.

## **Blues Pianist Naftalin Gets Grant To Start Foundation**

SAN RAFAEL, Calif.—The Blue Monday Foundation, under veteran blues pianist Mark Naftalin, has been established here with a first-year grant of \$25,000 from the San Francisco Foundation.

Naftalin says the two principal objectives of the Blue Monday Foundation will be "to continue expansion and development of the Marin County Blues Festival"-which he and partner/producer Dennis Hale have mounted for the past four years-and 'to get the 'Blue Monday' radio broadcast going again, in a form suitable for live broadcast anywhere in the country."

The "Blue Monday" broadcast languished earlier this year after almost two years on various Bay Area stamore than 50 different artists were tions, during which Naftalin says presented on 86 live broadcasts.

Naftalin, as executive director, and Hale, as operations director, expect to sit at least temporarily on what is now a nine-member board of directors. Other directors include Bill Graham, attorneys Art Sohcot and Kim Druglich, non-profit consultants/fundraisers Jeanne Bogardus and Hank Rosso, and journalists Lee Hildebrand and Doris Worsham.

In addition to the annual two-day Marin Festival, Naftalin and Hale have also mounted a one-day Sonoma County Blues Festival for the past four years. This September will also mark Naftalin's third year as associate producer of the Monterey Jazz Festival's blues afternoon



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had removed her jacket and shimmled with just a leotard and tight pants. During the extended jam she invited members of the audience on stage for a shimmy contest, in which she simply outshined all the participants.

crossover hit, "Keep It Confidential," which started on a quieter note but built quickly to a full-blown rock arrangement. That setting may have taken away from the emotional power of the lyrics, but it certainly showcased Hendryx's fine control and aggressive power.

"Bustin' Out" and the Supremes' "Love Is Like An Itching In My Heart" (introduced with a sly reference to Hendryx's old cronies in La-Belle) closed the 80-minute show with a

Opening for Hendryx was Easy Street act Monyaka, a wonderful six-piece reggae band from Brooklyn that rocked the house. Though they played for close to an hour, they didn't overstay their welcome, treating the audience to an entertainingly eclectic set of r&b, gospel and rock influences mixed with a sense of humor, all over a reggae beat. KATHY GILLIS



TWISTIN' THE NIGHT AWAY—Nona Hendryx takes a break during her show at New York's Irving Plaza, while fans exhibit some fancy footwork

The pace never slowed, even for last year's

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on stage. (Photo: Chuck Pulin)

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## Releases From Carter Target Dance, Gospel Markets

LOS ANGELES—Veteran singer Mel Carter has records aimed at two different markets in release on two different labels

His 12-inch single "Love Test" on Airwave Records has been sent to

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41 42 6 dance clubs and will be mailed to radio stations early next month. And his contemporary Christian album "Willing" has been released by the Benson Co.'s Onyx International

Carter, whose "Hold Me, Thrill Me, Kiss Me" was a top 10 pop hit in managed for the past 20 years by

BLOCK PARTY-Stacy Lattisaw & Johnny Gill-(7 Inch) Cotillion 7-99725

NIGHTIME-Pretty Poison-(12 Inch) Svengali

THESE THINGS HAPPEN-David Van Tighem-

RELEASE THE TENSION-Circuit-(12 Inch)

BOYS DO FALL IN LOVE-Robin Gibb-(12

JAMMIN' IN MANHATTAN-Tyzik-(12 Inch)

IN THE HEAT OF THE NIGHT-Klinte Jones-

BODY HARMONY-I Bird-(12 Inch) Warrior

TATTERED DRESSES/(DON'T LOOK NOW)-

17-Rick James-(12 Inch) Motown 4522MG

UNDER THE COVER OF DARKNESS-Alicia Bridges-(12 Inch) Second Wave LP22005

BABY DON'T BREAK YOUR BABY'S HEART-

INVISIBLE LOVE/SEX DANCE-Lisa-(12 Inch)

Kashif-(7 Inch) Arista AS 19200

LIVING FOR THE WEEKEND-Rocker's Revenge-(12 Inch) Streetwise 2232

OUTRAGEOUS-Lakeside-Solar ED 4984

NELSON MANDELA—The Specials AKA—(12

HANDS OFF-Jocelyn Brown-Urban Rock 4R 4445

SHOT IN THE DARK-The Michael Zager

ICE CREAM CASTLE-The Time-(7 Inch)

IN THE EVENING—Sheryl Lee Ralph—New York Music Co. NYM-11

Furs-(12 Inch) Columbia 44-4984

Inch) Earth Tone ET-1204

(12 Inch) Epic 49-05012

Virgin/A&M 12101

The Ghost In You/HEARTBEAT-Psychedelic

DANCING IN THE STREETS-Bon Rock-(12

THAT'S THE WAY I LIKE IT-Dead Or Alive-

YOU CAN'T GET WHAT YOU WANT-Joe Jackson-(12 Inch) A&M 12098

DANCEABILITY-APB-(12 Inch) Import

THE LEBANON-Human League-(12 Inch)

BLACK STATIONS, WHITE STATIONS-M + M-(12 Inch) RCA PW13802

DOCTOR! DOCTOR!-Thompson Twins-(7 Inch) Arista AS 19209

DISSIDENTS-Thomas Dolby-(12 Inch) Capitol

Band-(12 Inch) Mosaic 4Z905046

Moby Dick BTG 1036

Inch) Chrysalis 4J942793

Warner Bros. 7-29247

Torch Song-(12 Inch) I.R.S. SP70978

WHEN I HEAR MUSIC-Debbie Deb-(12 Inch)

TO THE BONE-Nona Hendryx-(12 Inch) RCA

LET'S GO CRAZY-Prince-(7 Inch) Warner

BREAKER'S REVENGE-Arthur Baker-(12

(12 Inch) Warner Bros. 20234

4th & Broadway BWAY 405-A

Inch) Atlantic 86931

Inch) Mirage 0-96940

(12 Inch) Oh My! OM 4009

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YOU GET THE BEST FROM ME-Alicia Myers-(12 Inch) MCA 23511

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Inch) Streetwise SWRL 2230
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CROSS MY HEART-Parking Meter-(12 Inch) Atlantic 0-86945

SHE BOP-Cyndi Lauper-(12 Inch) Portrait 4R 905011

I CAN DREAM ABOUT YOU-Dan Hartman-(12 Inch) MCA 23502 GUILTY—Hotline—(12 Inch) Memo 18

CLUB UNDERWORLD-Cerrone-(12 Inch) Personal P I SEND A MESSAGE-INXS-(7 Inch) Atco

WHAT'S LOVE GOT TO DO WITH IT-Tina Turner—(12 Inch) Capitol V8597

DON'T GO LOSE IT BABY—Hugh Masekela—

(12 Inch) Jive/Afrika JD1-9194 WOOD BEEZ-Scritti Politti-(12 Inch) Warner WITH ALL MY MIGHT/PROGRESS-Sparks-

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1965, began his career as a gospel singer in the late '50s. He has been L.A.-based Zelda Sands.

# Dance Trax

A couple of really important records: Afrika Bambaataa & James Brown's Unity" (Tommy Boy 12-inch) makes explicit the debt that hip-hop owes to Brown's early '70s funk innovations, and makes the payback in full. Its six versions span the entire continuum between one and the other, providing both radio and club material in the process. Ladies and gentlemen, bring it on! Also inspired: the Staple Singers' cover of Talking Heads' "Slippery People" (Private I 12-inch), which brings Mavis and Pop Staple's guts and earthiness to the cryptic hit of a year ago. The West Coast production is subtle, sinuous and modern, too; perhaps the followup will be "Hold Me Now."

\* \* \* More singles: Lucky U.S. buyers get both of Scritti Politti's recent British smashes on the American Warner Bros. 12-inch containing "Wood Beez," raved over repeatedly here, and "Absolute," a gorgeously melodic mainstream black record. Both are absolute credits to the entire Anglo-American crew involved . . . Cherrelle's second single, "Fragile . . ." (Tabu 12-inch), gets a full-length, more funk-like treatment that's delicate and humorous in much the style of "I Didn't Mean To Turn You On," and holds up very entertainingly at 12 minutes . . . I-Level's "In The River" (Virgin/Epic 12-inch), finally released domestically is that group's deepest group so far with a strongly reggae, is memestically, is that group's deepest groove so far, with a strongly reggae-ish melodic identity, and a perfect mix by Morales & Munzibai.

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Notes from New Music Seminar 5: According to Telegenics' Stephanie Shepherd, 40% of music video is disqualified from club use because of inadequate audio quality... Bronski Beat's re-disco/dance-rock smash, "Smalltown Boy" (and a completed album), have been signed by MCA, which outbid a roomful of majors at six-figure level... James Brown, on his long-range plans: "I'll live as long as I can, and I'll die when I can't help it"... Arthur Baker has completed a remix of Bruce Springsteen's new single, "Cover Me," which brings the cut into dub territory with a new bass line; his production of Diana Ross' "Swept Away" is due this week... Endless Music's Rusty Garner will remix Lindsey Buckingham's "Go Insane"... Morales & Munzibai are set to remix an upcoming Malcolm McLaren album, which comprises his last work with Trevor Horn . . . Private Eyes video director Steve Sukman drew applause for his wordplay when he described Frankie Goes To Hollywood's "Two Tribes" video as a "powerful visual stimulant."

We bid a fond personal goodbye to Phillipe Wynne and Esther Phillips, two of our favorite singers for more than a decade of acquaintance through their records. Wynne, of course, was one of the voices that propelled Philly soul at the crucial period while it turned into disco, and re-emerged to restate the funk in early-'80s work with George Clinton.

Phillips was an acquired taste for most, with her stylized, acerbic mix of blues and gospel. Her pop chart impact stretched from a Ray Charles-style country-blues version of "Release Me" to her startling, witty remake of "What A Dif-frence A Day Makes," which was one of the great out-of-nowhere disco hits, a pre-Summer heavy breather that went top 20 in 1975. But for our money, her run of early-'70s collaborations with Pee Wee Ellis (on Kudu) contained her true shining moments: Phillips' well-chosen covers, including "Baby, I'm For Real," "Never Found a Man (To Love Me Like You Do)" and "Home Is Where The Hatred Is," were profound, deeply satisfying combinations of brilliant, intuitive style and unsentimental honesty



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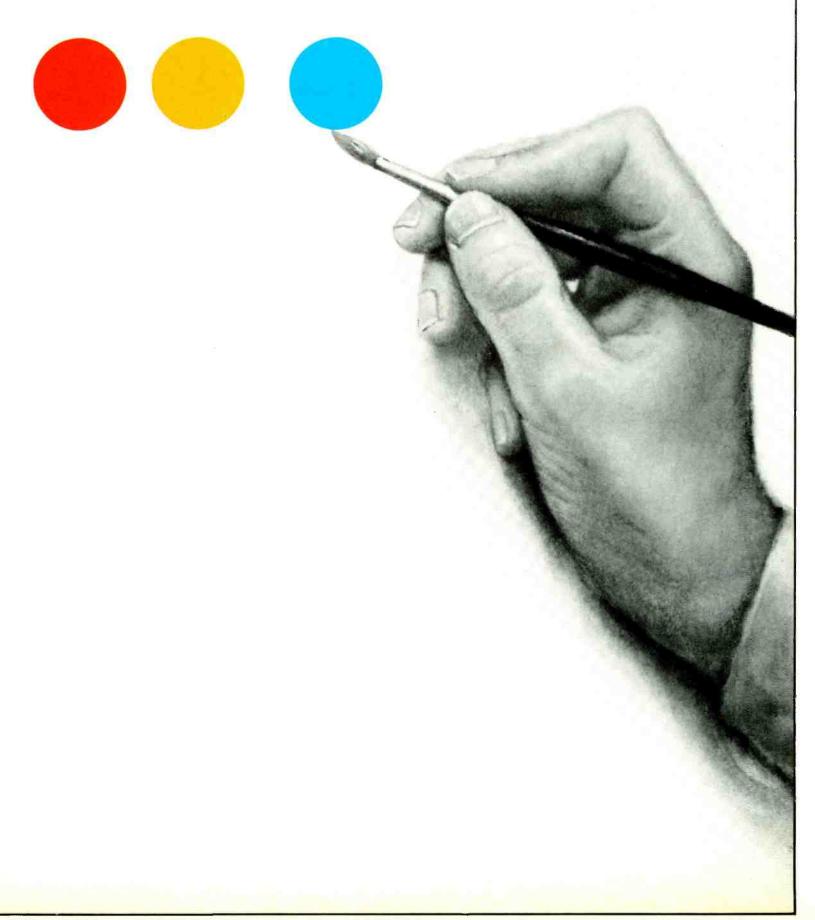
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In the constant scramble for a bigger share of a declining market, the record companies are in the Catch-22 situation of having to spend more and more to sell less and less. There were something like 80 tv-promoted albums last year and



# CREATIVE CHANGES STIR OPTIMISM WITHIN AUSTRIAN MUSIC INDUSTRY

By MANFRED SCHREIBER

ittle changes within the Austrian record industry. Annual turnover varies only slightly year by year, a 1983 monetary value of some \$66.6 million being virtually the same as the year before. And the first months of 1984 showed stagnation or consolidation, depending on one's mental attitude, when compared with the same months of 1983.

But though the Austrian music business is at a standstill in purely statistical terms, there are creative changes of emphasis, justified optimism about the international prospects of some of the leading domestic acts, and high-energy action in the classical market sector, suggesting the Compact Disc

can anticipate a profitable future.

Wolfgang Arming, president of PolyGram in Austria and also head of the national IFPI branch, sees the overall picture as showing a slight plus for the record industry. There's also a market share change beteen the smaller record companies and the seven members of the IFPI Austrian audio group, the latter grabbing 5.1% more of the national turnover last year than in 1982.

Market share of the IFPI companies compared with the entire market went up from 75% to 89%, this due to the departure of companies like K-tel, Koch, Tyrolis and VM Records.

The official market share figures as released by IFPI and relating only to affiliated members last year: PolyGram out in front with 31.1% (as against 28.5% in 1982), then Ariola with 16.7% (17% the previous year), EMI Columbia on 15.4% (15.9%), CBS with 14.3% (14%), Musica on 11.6% (14.2%), WEA with 6.5% (5.8%) and Bellaphon on 4.4% (4.6%).

In 1983, the seven member companies of IFPI sold nearly four million singles, compared with 3.8 million the previous year and 5.2 million albums against a 1982 tally of just five million units. However, the musicassette sector showed a downturn, from 1.9 million units to just 1.7 million. Unit sales of Compact Discs, newcomer configuration in the Austrian marketplace, totalled 56,600 in 1983.

But the national market share of classical music at 12% higher than other European territories and down a point from the 13% registered in 1982, gives rise to industry confidence that the Compact Disc will be a tremendous turnover boost in the next year or so.

Inevitably the record industry is keeping close tabs on the development of the video industry. Video software, expressed in monetary terms, pulled in around \$6.11 million last year, up some 30% compared with the previous year and suggesting there is substantial space for further progress, not least with music programming. On the hardware side, Austria again is "different" with the V2000 garnering 50% of the action, with VHS on 45% and Beta trailing badly.

Virtually all the prerecorded videocassette trade goes to the rental operators, only an estimated 5% of the total going on straight sales. Though there's consistent growth in all areas of the video industry, the most recent statistics show only 180,000 VCRs in domestic use thus far nationwide.

That outstanding V2000 market share, though received with surprise in most other countries, is explained by the fact that Philips has, in Vienna, the Austrian capital, its own factory with a capacity of manufacturing a million hardware units annually, of which more than 90% are earmarked for export. So to protect its own interests, Austria legislated special import restrictions which held back the sales growth of other formats.

But more regulations will be introduced or changed in 1985 because Philips is planning to manufacture VHS video equipment in Vienna.

Though it's obviously a small market, the Austrian music business sets its own standards and is extremely businesslike in looking after its own interests. At the end of 1983, mechanical right society Austro-Mechana finalized a trendsetting deal over a levy on prerecorded videocassettes. The impost amounts to 10% of the retail price for music programs and 6.25% of that store level for all other kinds of program. The minimum levy is roughly \$1.11, taking 19.3 Austrian schillings against the U.S. dollar, though Value Added Tax has to be included in the reckoning. The aim has been to make implementation of the levy as simple as possible, while still covering all possible loopholes.

The Austrian video industry is also busily trying to counter the ever-growing threat from various forms of piracy. One move was to institute a "clean videotheque" nationwide campaign. So far, more than 50 video software outlets have signed deals with IFPI's video arm. They are permitted to "mark" the stores with a blue circular IFPI sticker, as a kind of quality guarantee, and in return agree to rent only legal material. The plan is working well and IFPI officials are exercising firm control over how the trade honors its obligations.

All the IFPI "big seven" majors are marketing Compact Disc software. PolyGram emerged form 1983 as market leader, with a total 41,777 units sold, of which 53% were of classical product. Of the entire Austrian CD repertoire of 581 titles, as logged at the end of last year, 302 came from PolyGram.

Though figures have yet to be finalized, roughly 4,000 CD players were sold in Austria last year. Says Wolfgang Arming: "By the end of this year, we'll have released around 1,200 CD titles and we'd expect to sell more than 90,000 units of the estimated 150,000 software units bought by an increas-

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**RAINHARD FENDRICH** 

By PIERRE HAESLER

espite the promising debut of the Compact Disc on the recorded music scene in Switzerland, the record industry as a whole is far from happy. It is a market where annual sales used to top the \$100 million mark. Now the signs are ominous, with several major companies admitting drastically declining turnover tallies thus far this year.

Some of the old arguments or lines of defense to explain the state of stagnation no longer hold good, not least the one of changing currency rates of exchange. The Swiss franc has, in fact, weakened against the U.S. dollar and remained stable against the German Mark and the French franc, so parallel imports constitute less of a threat and therefore less of an "excuse" for dipping sales.

At the root of the problem is the fact that the Swiss consumer today is far more selective to the extent that only bigname and prestigious pop stands a chance of culling big sales. New talent is finding the going rough, particularly with record companies holding back on promotional funding of product which has a hit-or-miss look about it.

So it is not surprising that Norman Block, managing director of CBS Switzerland, which has a big-name roster, is able to report "stable" sales through the first part of this year. On release were new albums and singles from Nena, Chris de Burgh, Michael Jackson, Joe Jackson, Bob Dylan, Supertramp, Paul Young and the "Footloose" soundtrack.

But not even the presence of artists who regularly appear on the Swiss charts is a guarantee of optimism. PolyGram has regularly scored in the top 20 with Genesis, Barclay James Harvest, Nino de Angelis and Dire Straits, among others, but executive Peter Frei says: "If asked to predict a yearend sales volume statistic for Switzerland, I'd have to bet on a 5%-10% sales decrease as compared with 1983 which

sales are struggling. On the other hand, PolyGram has a distinct advantage when it comes to the emergent Compact Disc market."

anyway was no triumphant success story. "Contrary to the sagging album sales situation, we note a stable singles and maxi-singles market but also that cassette

# **SWISS INDUSTRY** STRUGGLES TO **STABILIZE DECLINING SALES**

Lucien Monnerat, general manager of Musikvertieb, goes along with Frei's view of an okay singles market. His company's 12-inch pop singles account for approximately 5% of the total Swiss market.

To combat the general market share cutbacks, the record companies and the retail trade have not as yet declared the outbreak of a price war to botster weakening in-store action. Nevertheless, in some major cities competition between various retailers has brought down retail prices for some albums by \$1-\$2, so LPs still sell at around the \$9 mark in general, with cassette pricing slightly higher.

The era of the Compact Disc started April 1, 1983, in Switzerland and this configuration looks set to remain a front runner in the sales stakes through this year and into 1985. Virtually all Swiss companies report "satisfactory to excellent" sales returns on CD product, which now accounts for around 5% of the total market.

But, as in some other territories, there's a measure of skepticism about CD in the EMI camp in Switzerland. Peter Mampell, managing director, says: "During the first phase of the CD introduction, we were admittedly sitting on the fence. And it does seem to me that initial enthusiasm has cooled down, not least because record companies have not always been in a position to meet consumer demand.

"Additionally, some hardware suppliers have been making marketing comments about the end of the era of the black disk and all this has done is make the consumers confused about what's going on so that many have simply put off buying new playing equipment.

The sales stagnation noted in 1983 and the similar expectations for 1984 clearly demonstrate for me that CD sales are not representing additional sales but merely re-

flecting and underlining the decrease of black disk or prerecorded cassette sales. In other words, the CD emergence simply helps make up for continuing losses elsewhere

But for PolyGram, clear-cut leader in the CD marketplace, the Compact Disc is the one real positive experience of 1984. Peter Frei: "Of the 5% CD market share, PolyGram is responsible for 13%. We're anticipating total CD sales in 1984 of some 500,000 units. That kind of success stems largely from our superior classical CD catalog. By mid-year, we'd released approximately 600 CD titles.'

Musikvertrieb is another company to hold positive views about CD. But it's only recently that CD hardware manufacturers lowered their prices in Switzerland to below the franc equivalent of \$500. The anticipated "boom" is expected to be reflected, then, in second half sales figures.

It's a fact of life in Switzerland, as it is presumable in other countries, that the higher or middle-range income earners tend to jump on a new technology bandwagon only after carefully pondered second thoughts. So the industry hope is that CD hardware will become the 1984 best-seller for giftbuyers and that the software side of the business will reap hefty spin-off rewards.

Martin Schiess, general manager of Bellaphon, adds that the fast-growing CD catalog, covering an increasingly wide range of music, will also pull in new customers. Yet despite this kind of top-level enthusiasm, some Swiss retailers are openly uneasy about the new product and are reluctant to take chances with stockpiling software.

In Switzerland, increased quality standards of reproduction are not only expected, or demanded, in the CD range. There's more and more demand for digital and Direct Metal Mastering standards in the black disk area, and that's further evidence of the way that Swiss consumers are becoming much more selective and cutting back on total unit purchases.

In terms of nationwide musical trends and tastes, there's no arguing th fact that Anglo-American sounds are right back in favor. Musikvertrieb's Lucien Monnerat's list of artist roster successes this year confirms that claim, and he cites outstanding sales for Lionel Richie, Phil Collins, Chicago, Rod Stewart, Nick Kershaw, Rockwell, Van Halen and Yes.

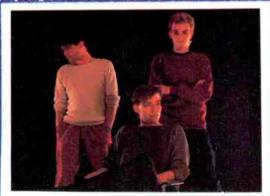
PolyGram also has a strong international artist list and Peter Frei proffers breakdance and disco as the fastest-building trends in Switzerland this year.

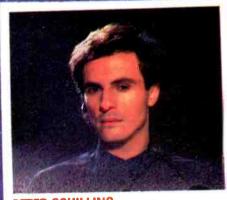
And as Edoardo Bennato and Gianni Nannini figure in Poly-Gram's long list of chart residents over the past year, it's clear that Italian music and artists still have a sizeable following in this territory. But from the German so-called new wave, which strongly influenced the Swiss record market in 1982-

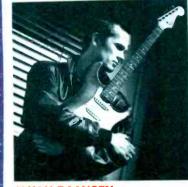
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# WHILE OUR INSERNATIONAL ARTISTS ARE HITTING THE GERMAN CHARIS,















By WOLFGANG SPAHR

ver the last couple of years, major names of the German music market, specially those prepared to perform in the English language, have stepped out of the shadows and into the spotlight of the U.S. and U.K. charts. Every so often, too, an act comparatively unknown in the domestic scene, makes a dramatic breakthrough into the international big-

Both Britain and the States are now aware, through hit records, of names such as Falco, Nena, the Scorpions, Accept, Taco, Peter Schilling and the longer-established one-time studio session bassist James Last, leader of one of the most

successful disco big bands in pop history.

Yet not so long ago the inclusion of German acts, say Kraftwerk, in the world charts was seen as a unique happening. Now, in the words of Heino Wirth, managing director of Metronome in Germany: "In the German studio-kitchens where pop hit menus are created, we're producing the vital refreshment for the pop ears of the world." Which is one way of underlining Germany's growing influence in contemporary music trends. Associated with the West German advance is similar action in nearby Austria and Switzerland. Nena, a pretty black-haired singer, and her band have scored major hits in a dozen countries worldwide, including Australia, Canada, Ireland, Israel, Japan, New Zealand, South America. and South Africa as well as virtually all the European territories. She's thus far sold three million singles and more than a million LPs outside her native Germany.

Other artists with her on the CBS roster here and making massive progress in terms of international acceptance include the group Spliff, opera singer Peter Hoffman and his fusion work with rock material, rock solo singer Nina Hagen and the harpist Andreas Wollenweider.

Yet Andy Kirnberger, CBS product manager, refuses to go overboard over the successes. "When an act like Nena or Peter Schilling does get that expert break, it has to be seen as an exception rather than the rule. Taken over the years, the Scorpions have been that rarity, a German act with the secret of linking consistency with success. But to get a chart breakthrough in the U.S. is the real target. Score there and you

# **TOP NATIONAL** STARS HOLD **KEY TO SALES REVIVAL**

open up almost certain prospects of being released in many other territories

"But the German record industry should, maybe, beat the drum more violently on behalf of its own music. The truth is that so much of the new U.S. pop product seemed un-changed from what had gone before. There was a sameness about the new releases week after week. The more exciting, exotic even, of the new top European groups, especially those from Germany, veered off that old beaten track and, in my opinion, brought new waves of fresh air into the U.S. mu-

Adds CBS's Kirnberger: "It's very gratifying after all these years to note how carefully the major companies in the States and in Britain watch what is coming out of the German studios. Producers want to find out fast what is going on musically in Hamburg, Cologne and so on. With that kind of interest, German artists in general have much stronger prospects of being accepted abroad."

WEA Germany has had its share of local signings breaking big internationally. In the past year, Peter Schilling and his "Major Tom" single has figured in virtually all charts worldwide. In the U.S., this Peer-Southern production made the top 20, with a sales turnover there of around 500,000 singles and 200,000 albums. In Canada, Belgium, Austria and Switzerland he hit the number one spot.

Even in Peru, he totted up single sales of 38,000 units, a very considerable achievement for that territory. And his follow-up single "Terra Titanic" looks set to remove all fears that Schilling might be a one-hit wonder in an international setting.

Gerd Gebhardt, WEA marketing director in West Germany, also reports major success abroad for the groups Elephant

and Alphaville. He insists: "At last, we can honestly and justifiably claim that our artists and our production standards match those of the Anglo-American axis.

At RCA, label chief Franz von Auersperg says even the earlier achievements of acts like Lake, Silver Convention and Kraftwerk have been overtaken by the 1983-84 triumphs of Taco, Nena and Peter Schilling.

Says Auersperg: "Our international breaks came first mainly in the U.S., and they are attributable to the fact that the Americans have a stronger relationship with traditional rock and pop music and are, therefore, more readily able to accept it. The successes in Britain came only after the chart entries in the U.S

"I'm convinced German pop and rock will continue to register successes in the U.S., not least because it does seem harder for domestic bands there to break through. But we must be very careful indeed not to make the mistake of producing music here specifically for the U.S. market. Our true strength lies in maintaining our own sound and style.

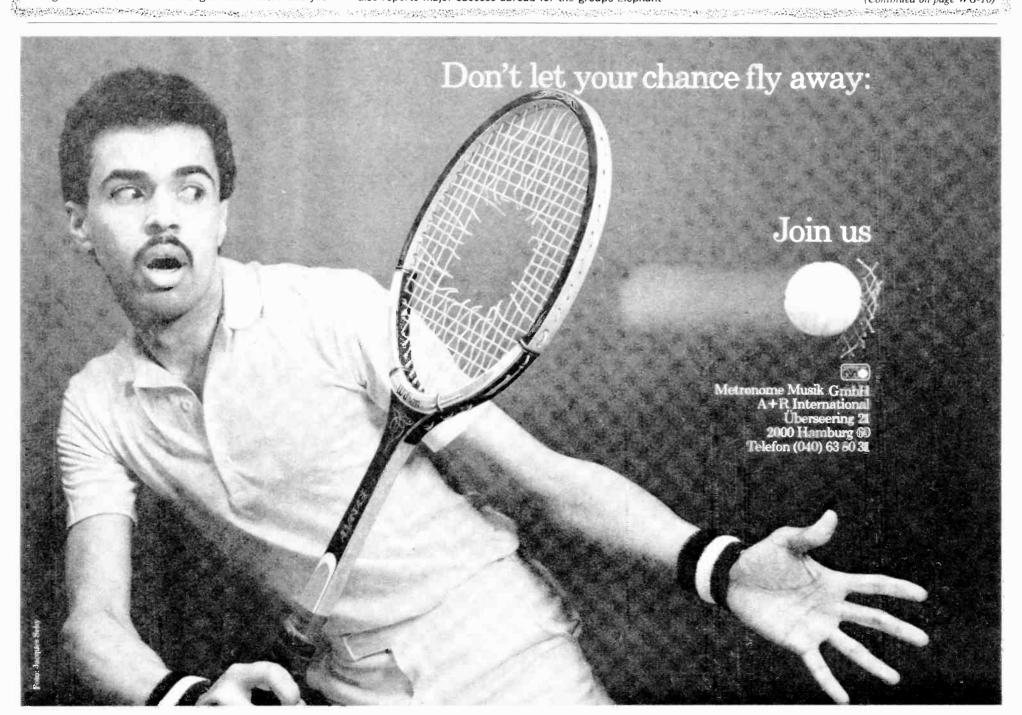
The German Phonogram operation has built a backlog of valuable experience in placing German productions abroad. There have been chart successes for groups such as Palais Schaumburg, Trio and Yello, and in more recent months there have been big sales for Larry Zanga, Blonker and Thomas Wilbrandt. Says Phonogram manager Juerg Eiben von Hertell: "Just as important as the sales figures themselves, the belief in itself being shown by the German record industry is a key ingredient. The response comes from foreign record company partners and licensees being more and more anxious to work on promoting our artists.

"That all adds up to a basis for lasting success. At the same time, the stronger our product on the national market, the greater the chances of it registering in the international music mart. While I'm enthusiastic about the growth of success for German artists, I am no way euphoric. I'm a realist. I know that the U.K. and U.S. are way out in front, still. Our chances remain limited.

Teldec has had success in the U.S. with more offbeat, or unusual, releases, including George Kranz and "Din Daa Daa" and Falco's "Der Kommisar." Heidi Muench, in charge of press and promotion with the company says: "The best chance for our product is if the production ideas are that much further away from the general run. Average or unadventurous pop simply gets sunk in a mass of similar material.'

Deutsche Grammophon has built solidly on the continuing success of James Last. His album "Mystique" went platinum in Canada and his "Rose Of Tralee" earned similar status in the U.K. "Biscaya," another of the many Last album pack-

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**BELLAPHON**Bellaphon Records, Frankfurt-based, has this year intensified its acquisition of distribution deals with independent companies, a switch in repertoire emphasis which, linked

with aggressive marketing, is proving widely successful.

Branko Zivanovic, Bellaphon president, points particularly to the deal with Emergency Records in the U.S., which produced an early top 10 success for newcomer Shannon, now "firmly established" in the German marketplace. Linked in the promotion push was a "break dance" contest sponsored by teenage magazine "Bravo," and national television vidclip exposure.

The new corporate approach has worked for other acts, too, including Hazell Dean whose single "Searchin'," first out a year ago, made the chart on re-release this June. U.S. rock group Night Ranger, another Bellaphon license linked act, made the album chart and second half-year activity centers on Survivor, C.O.D., Nucleus and "Weird Al" Yankovic. Local repertoire isn't forgotten, stresses Branko Zivanovic

Bellaphon turnover was up 8.4% for first-half 1984 and should top 10% July-December.

#### **CBS**

One of the very few German artists to achieve major international acclaim is CBS singer Nena whose "99 Red Balloons" climbed high in the U.S. charts and was a hit in many countries of the world. Now CBS has released an international album by the artist which includes English versions of her greatest hits.

Success in the pop field is also being achieved by one of Germany's leading opera singers, Peter Hofmann, whose classic-rockalbums have made a major impact in a number of European countries as well as in the U.S. and South America. In Germany Hofmann has attained platinum status.

Another CBS artist beginning to make a substantial impression on the U.S. market is harpist Andreas Vollenweider, who has achieved gold disk status in Germany and Holland.

The eccentric chanteuse from Berlin, Nina Hagen, now based in London, began her international career in the States and is now getting worldwide release of her albums.

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# **COMPANY REPORTS**

tial are due from Berlin act Spliff, Peter Hofmann's wife, Deborah Sasson, and Andreas Vollenweider.

#### **EMI ELECTROLA**

It's proving a good year for EMI Electrola's domestic talent roster, with successes for Bap, the Spider Murphy Gang, Klaus Lage, Howard Carpendale, Nady Borg, Herbert Groenemeyer and Heino, reports Walter Puetz, the major's national repertoire chief.

A recent prestigious international project has been the new Queen album "The Works," with a fully national marketing campaign, in which the entire Queen back catalog product was available for two months at mid-price. "An overwhelming success," says the company. The two-month sales projection was topped inside three weeks. In five, the company sold more than twice as much Queen back catalog as in the whole of 1983, reports international repertoire chief

Joe Cocker's "Civilized Man" album, backed by an 18-gig tour, was a Capitol label success and the Kajagoogoo album "Islands" reflected the U.K. band's move from teeny to adultorientated music. Duran Duran found time in a hectic schedule to make tv appearances in Germany, reflected in new chart heights and further sales for "Seven And The Ragged Tiger," a chart album for more than seven months. Big success, too, for Tina Turner, the single "Let's Stay Together" followed by the big-selling "Private Dancer" album.

The group Talk Talk has also given EMI Electrola big suc-

cess, with tour and tv promotion helping. The album "It's My Life" and single "Such A Shame" is followed by a new album and single "Dum Dum Girl."

In fact most of the major marketing campaigns have been supported by tour/tv backup, involving the services of such acts as David Gilmour, Roger Waters, Marillion, Re-Flex, plus 'greatest hits" packages of Kim Wilde and the Rolling

INTERSONG
Through a long and consistent run of chart hits in past months, Intersong is laying firm claims to being number one music publisher company in Germany, insists Goetz Kiso. managing director.

Top of the hit list is "Jenseits von Eden" by Nino de Angelo and its original version "Guardian Angel," by Masquerade, the song penned by Drafi Deutscher and Chris Evans-Ironside. Both singles have held positions one and two on the national chart, the former on Polydor/DGG and the latter on Metronome

To maintain the momentum came "Relax" by Frankie Goes To Hollywood and a total 20 other singles charting from national and international repertoire. But Kiso also pinpoints success from license/administration deals with companies such as Image Music (Howard Carpendale and Hans-Joachim Horn-Bernges) handling their co-written material and Cosima Musik, owned by Hanne Haller and Bernd Meinunger.

In line are new international catalog deals with infinite Music (with copyrights of Kajagoogoo) and London-based Heath-Levy Music.

#### **METRONOME**

After a year or so dominated by domestic repertoire success, the emphasis in the Germany record business is back on international product, now representing 60% of the turnover, says Heino Wirth, managing director of Metronome Musik in Hamburg. His company has scored heavily with U.S. bands Break Machine and Kool & the Gang, with the Cure and the Catch from the U.K., and from "lesser" sources Gianna Nannini (Italy) and Laid Back (Denmark).

Metronome has upped its market share by 1% and now

follows a selective release policy, tailoring promotion to specific German market needs, as typified by the building of success for British girl group Bananarama. Wirth's directori-

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not going to safeguard turnover levels."

Jung points out that LP sales dropped 13% last year and prerecorded cassette sales represented only 25% of the total LP market. His call for a concerted effort to revive the LP sector of the market is widely echoed.

It is seen as no coincidence that there has been a major boom in the sales of maxi-singles; satisfaction at this growth area is, however, tempered by the fact that maxi-singles seem to be serving as an economy version of the LP and that maybe the concept of having 12 tracks on an album (some of them undoubtedly makeweight items) may be becoming

"What the industry has known for ten years now—but done little about," says Peter Zombik, managing director of the West German record industry association, "is that we are concentrating the bulk of our sales offensive on an age group which has a dwindling disposable income and is also declining in numbers. We have to promote sales to older consumers. At present between 45 and 50% of our turnover comes from the under-25 age group. By 1990 this group will be reduced in numbers by 20%, so about 10% of our turnover will disappear."

Zombik also points out that the middle-sized towns in Germany get an inadequate record distribution service because the retail needs in these areas are largely met by wholesalers. 'Record company salesmen tend not to cover the smaller conurbations and most wholesalers have little interest in selling back catalog," Zombik says.

Then, of course, there is the all-too-familiar problem of home taping and the dramatically adverse effect this has on

record sales. Says Zombik: "About 50% of all broadcasting in West Germany consists of record industry music. More than 100 million blank cassettes are sold here annually and 90% of them are used to tape copyright music.

"Our product has never been so widely disseminated, yet our turnover is declining. The lesson here is that not only must we get substantial compensation for home taping, not only must we bring the over-25s back into the record shops (which in itself would probably help to reduce home taping) but we must retain and exercise all the rights we have in our product and charge appropriately for their use."

Zombik's point about inadequate catalog servicing of small-town dealers is totally endorsed by Metronome's Wirth.

"We used to contact directly 1,500 dealers in Germany; now we deal with only 800 and the remaining 700 are supplied by racks and wholesalers. However, we have two employees in our sales department making regular calls to 250 dealers and we have a plan to supply release information to dealers via teletext on 800-marks (\$280) terminals. To place an order via these terminals would cost only 23 pfennigs."

Meanwhile, while there has as yet been no industry-wide endeavor to stimulate sales of full price cassettes, individual companies have made some promotional strides. Deutsche Grammophon managing director Dieter Oehms achieved five million marks (\$1.75 million) of his company's turnover last year by promoting a "silver" series of 50 C-90 compilations selling at 15.90 marks. (\$5.60).

Says Oehms, "Customers went for the prospect of a full

hour of music on chrome tape and we sold more than 500,000 units. This year we have launched a gold C-90 series selling at 19.90 marks (\$7)—though the success of this line has been more limited, mostly because our competition has launched similar promotions.

Jung believes that much more promotion of this kind is needed "otherwise we could face a major problem by the end

of this year."

One of the principal difficulties in boosting cassette sales is that the German retail trade has traditionally been unenthusiastic about the format. Many big dealers don't even stock cassettes and there is virtually no discounting on pre-recorded tapes. Only a handful of retail outlets sell LP disks and tapes at the same price.

Says Jung: "When heavy discounting started a couple of years ago, it was almost totally confined to the disk format. The customer therefore sees LP disks discounted down to 14.90 marks (\$5.25) while the cassette version of the same record costs more than 20 marks (\$7).

"Even Saturn of Cologne, one of the largest record stores in Europe, doesn't discount cassettes. The tape format is thus at a huge disadvantage. But with CDs beginning to exacerbate declining sales of black disks by making them look outmoded, we need to give powerful emphasis to the tape option by better marketing, better quality and better promotion of cassettes.'

Although there is general enthusiasm in the German industry for the early response to CD, many executives see it as a short-term aid to sustaining turnover rather than a future mass-market product. Certainly Gerhard Schulze, managing director of Teldec, a company which is going great guns with the licensing of its Direct Metal Mastering process for the black disk, does not view CD as the ultimate panacea for all the industry's problems.

"I can see CD developing steadily up to 1995 or 2000, but then I think it will decline with the advent of the digital cassette. I also believe that there is still a considerable future for the black disk."

Manfred Zumkeller, managing director of WEA, also sees a mix of CD, black disk, cassette and digital cassette for the foreseeable future. "Though I don't think we're going to see

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the digital cassette on the market before the end of 1986," he says. And Wilfried Jung, who has always regarded CD as a specialized audiophile product, remains skeptical.

He believes that the need for companies to use analog recordings to boost CD volume has somewhat dulled the system's image as an impeccable sound carrier. "And before it can become a mass-market product, the price of a player must come down. The cheapest available at present is around 750 marks (\$265).

DGG's Dieter Oehms agrees that players must come down to at least 600 marks (\$210) but, not surprisingly, is more sanguine about the future prospects for the system.

"Compact Disc sales last year accounted for 5% of turnover. This year should see that figure increase to 10%. But the key to rapid expansion is competitively priced hardware because people with CD players tend only to buy Compact Discs.

Hans Sikorski, general manager of Sikorski Musikverlag and a board member of GEMA, though mindful of all the hazards facing the music industry, is nevertheless broadly optimistic.

optimistic.

"The problems are considerable," he acknowledges.
"Home taping is appallingly damaging. Then there is piracy, an increasingly wide range of consumer interests, less disposable income among young people and little product on the market which is compulsive listening. But I think the industry as a whole is beginning to see the light and to recognize the need to win back mainstream catalog buyers."

As a publisher, Sikorski is, however, extremely disturbed by the persistent neglect of national repertoire. "The market share of imported music in West Germany is higher than that of any other country," he says. "This—without being chauvinistic—is insane. We cannot continue to leave our national composers with so little opportunity to exploit their works.

"The record companies and the broadcasting organizations blame each other for this massive concentration on foreign repertoire and claim that the public demands it. But it is all a question of exposure. If German writers were given more opportunities, the demand for national repertoire would increase. I think German composers and lyricists have had enough and are getting ready to demonstrate."

Sikorski points out that GEMA income from foreign sources declined from 62 million marks (\$21.9 million) to 43 million marks (\$15.2 million) last year. "Yet 65% of the money collected by GEMA in Germany went abroad," he says. "GEMA paid overseas societies 164 million marks (\$68 million)—a record figure.

"The failure of German record companies to give greater

emphasis to national copyrights makes no kind of sense because deals on international repertoire, from a record licensee and a music sub-publisher point of view, are so one-sided. No national publisher can make a living on sub-publishing deals—yet 75% of our music product is of foreign origin. If you take chart material alone, the ratio is something like 85% international to 15% national."

As head of the No. 1 national product company, DGG, Dieter Oehms is a staunch advocate of national repertoire. "We have seen a strong increase in domestic product sales for the first half of this year," he says. "Nina de Angelo and Thomas Steiner are selling more than half a million copies of their singles. And Howard Carpendale and Peter Alexander also continue to sell huge quantities of records." Other national artists achieving big sales currently are Nena, Peter Schilling, Peter Maffay, Taco and Accept.

Yet, despite these bright spots, the total market in national product decreased by 10% last year. Not, many would argue, because the product is lacking in sales potential but because it is not adequately promoted or exposed.

Jung is totally in favor of giving more support to national repertoire, "primarily," he says, "on econimic grounds. The fact is that a domestic pop album can still outsell any international LP. Top German product can ship 250,000 units initially, whereas the best of international repertoire wouldn't go above 50,000 for the first pressing, other than in exceptional cases.

than we do on international material."

So the recipe for a return to growth and prosperity seems to be a greater promotional thrust for domestic repertoire; a campaign to end dealer alienation towards cassettes; and a concerted industry initiative to encourage full-range dealers to remain in the record business and to offer the consumer—particularly the more mature and affluent consumer—the full variety of the industry's catalogs from Puccini to punk, from jazz to Janacek, from Schubert to schlager.

## STARS HOLD

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ages, established his consistency in the Benelux countries, especially Belgium.

Last has been on the DG artist roster for nearly two decades and is by far the company's best-selling artist worldwide. But on the way up is the young Nino de Angelo, who impacted worldwide with the hit single "Jenseits von Eden," and followed up with a mass of gold awards for the associated album. His Italian-language version of the song, "La Valle Dell," was a massive hit in France, and he's also been successfully released in Canada, South Africa, Spain, Portugal, Italy, Scandinavia and elsewhere.



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al policy is to sign deals with smaller labels worldwide, taking account of differing market conditions.

More German artists are producing English-language titles, he reports, as a spin-off from the return of emphasis on international product and Berlin group Alphaville and Hamburg-based Masquerade have been released in more than 20

"Germany's back on an international trip," Wirth repeats. "Our doors are wide open for U.S. and U.K. productions."

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Teldec has built a reputation over the years for efficient market of repertoire from France, Italy, the U.K. and the U.S.

The company has achieved signal success with such labels as Stiff, Jive, Sugar Hill and Delphine. Says managing director Thomas Stein, "They key to success with international repertoire is to make a careful selection of product, choosing that which is particularly suitable for the national market."

One reason why independent labels outside Germany

choose Teldec as their licensee is that while there is never any attempt to interfere with the licensors' creative activity, Teldec has always been prepared to contribute its close understanding of German market trends to the companies it represents and to feed this experience into the discussions about future product.

"Once you have established trust," says Stein, "you develop a family atmosphere between licensor and licensee.

Meanwhile Teldec is extremely active in securing international promotion for its own national product and has achieved success overseas with Falco, Hong Kong Syndicat and George Krantz.

Teldec has established a number of foreign acts on the German market, including Madness, Tracey Ullman and the Belle Stars from Stiff, and Whodini, Katie Kissoon, Roman Holiday, Comsat Angel and A Flock Of Seagulls from Jive. There has also been German chart success for Tight Fit and

Billy Ocean.

Teldec has pioneered the promotion of rap in Germany with a campaign based on 40 12-inch singles. The company has also used a compilation album and special media initiatives to establish the Sugar Hill repertoire.

Says Stein: "We are extremely optimistic about the prospects for Giorgio Moroder's Oasis label and for Lamborghini Records, and we continue to have sustained success for the recordings of Delphine artist Richard Clayderman, and the repertoire of the Line label.

Peter Maffay is Teldec's top-selling national star and has topped 700,000 sales with his album "Carambolage." "These sales figures should be boosted considerably by Maffay's autumn tour," says Stein.

One of the great German success stories of 1984 is that of WEA group Alphaville, whose first single, "Big In Japan," reached the No. 1 spot in Germany, Switzerland and Sweden, the number two spot in Italy, Holland and Belgium, and has sold more than one million copies around the world so far.

The followup, "Sounds Like A Melody," hit the number three position in Germany.

On the international talent front, WEA has scored with

Howard Jones (four chart singles and a Top 10 album), Nik Kershaw (three chart singles and a Top 10 album), Van Halen (a hit single with "Jump" and a Top 10 album), Phil Col-"Against All Odds" soundtrack song, which reached the Top 10. The album has made the Top 40.

Laura Branigan has also had her first chart success in Ger-

many with the No. 1 single "Self Control," the album making

More recently there has been chart success for singles and albums by Rod Stewart and Chicago, and WEA is currently running a heavy marketing campaign for the Prince album, "Purple Rain," and single, "When Doves Cry."

In the German a&r department, there are great expectations for the new Peter Schilling album and also for LP's by

Marius Mueller-Westernhagen, Alphaville, Elephant and Passport, and singles by Johan Daansen and Mick Jackson. Alphaville, Elephant and



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## AUSTRIAN MUSIC SWISS INDUSTRY

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"I have no doubt that the Compact Disc sector will expand much further, especially in the classical music field. Of that classical music overall market share of 12%, CDs pick up a 12.7% share. In fact, 6.7% of all album sales in Austria last year came from CD packages so, no matter how you analyze the figures, it is a welcome new factor and just can't be ignored."

It's quite clear that Austrian record companies are operating a kind of economy campaign when it comes to spending on radio and television advertising campaigns. More than \$3.9 million was spent on network advertising space in 1979. That figure was slashed to just \$1.3 million last year. In the "good old days," the bulk of the radio/tv promotion money went on small-screen campaigns, but nowadays most companies support working on cheaper-rate radio spots. Advertising expenditure totalling \$1.3 million was spent in 1982 on radio alone. Last year that figure was cut to \$890,000 but the television spend was a mere \$390,000.

Breaking down the general Austrian record industry picture of last year, PolyGram emerges as the big winner. The company increased its turnover to \$13.3 million, up 14.4% on the 1982 returns. Of that tally, 81.8% stems from the general popular music sector and of that some 31.5% came from sales of product from domestic artists and 68.5% from international artists. Of the total, 18.2% is down to classical music.

PolyGram, as marketplace leader proffers a breakdown of its distribution system. Of last year's total, 81.6% of its entire record and prerecorded cassette sales were via retail shops, as against 75.7% of the total in 1982. Some 12.4% came from wholesale/rackjobbing operations (16.7% in 1982) and 6% from record clubs, as against 7.6% registered the previous year.

Another statistical pointer shows that 52.7% of the total turnover came from only 20 retailers. And roughly the same percentage came from only 100 of the 7,000 titles in Poly-Gram's repertoire roster.

Says PolyGram's Arming: "In the next three years or so, we'll invest more money into young talents. We'll release 10 national product albums compared with seven, on a ratio basis, last year."

Best-selling domestic artists for PolyGram Austria last year were Wolfgang Ambros, Rainhard Fendrich and Ludwig Hirsch. International sales leaders were F.R. David, Robin Gibb, Irene Cara, Nazareth and Abba.

Insists Arming: "There is a clear stabilization of the market

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83, only a handful of acts have escaped oblivion. Among them: Nena, Spider Murphy Gang and an out-of-the-blue EMI newcomer in this genre, BAP.

But that former trends can maintain a hold on the Swiss market is proved by Disctrade's continuing sales success with heavy metal product from the U.K., Belgium and Spain.

However this year has emphasized what a tough fight Swiss artists have in trying to break into the international marketplace. It's hard enough for them to gain acceptance in their own country, despite constantly improving recording standards which compare favorably with much of the product emerging from the U.S. or U.K.

The basic problem is that, in this uneasy economic elimate, Swiss record companies are so hesitant about investing money and time in commitment to home-grown product. Krokus and Yello are still the only Swiss acts to gain any worthwhile sales in foreign markets. But among the new bands worth watching are Span, Stitch, Slapstick, Vera Kaa, Stormbringer, Switzerband, Loonly Tunes and Moscowboys.

But for the music business as a whole, a key event of the past year has been the introduction of private broadcasting. By mid-year 1984 some 25 privately-owned stations were beaming out programs. More music, as a result, is reaching the ears of prospective record buyers. But does that lead necessarily to bigger sales?

necessarily to bigger sales?
PolyGram's Peter Frei: "The introduction of private stations, additional to the state-owned and more conservative outlets, plus the new Third Channel, DRS 3, with its 24-hour popular music format, all contribute to the development of Switzerland's own independent music trends and tastes.

"Obviously the music industry benefits from the new situation. But on the other hand, the recent sales decreases could possibly be the result of almost unlimited offers of pop music on air. Certainly home taping has again become a very serious problem."

But Frei and most other top executives agree that the new top 30 singles and album charts as compiled through the DRS 3 channel provide a useful marketing tool for the record industry to promote new products that much faster and more efficiently. According to Lucien Monnerat of Musikvertrieb, the new charts more accurately match international listings.

However, a problem for the new broadcasters is that the limited availability of space for commercials means that some of the stations have been pushed near to bankruptcy after only a few months of operation. The government has only recently rejected a demand from the Association of Lo-

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cal Swiss Broadcasting Stations to increase the daily "ration" of commercials from 15 to 20 minutes.

And representatives of the private stations recognize in this decision a deliberate political policy to squeeze out some of the new networks, so that the state's DRS 3 is likely to be eventual winner of the pop broadcasting "game.

Some of the planning-stage projects in private broadcasting will now never be realized and there may not be many survivors among those already established. Among them, though, should be Radio Basilisk, Radio 24 (the pioneer in the field) and Radio Z. Another aspect to ponder is that the first ratings of listener figures have not yet been published, which means the record industry generally is cautious about buying playing time, another fact making life far from easy for some of the private stations.

Another area of growth in Switzerland is the music video market. As the prerecorded cassette market has been thus far dominated by rentals, music videos have tended to be slow starters in the battle for marketplace share. Additionally, penetration of video hardware in Switzerland is still small, with only some 8% of households nationwide with VCRs.

A few months ago, retail prices for music videos were brought down to the equivalent of \$35. Mario Magistris, Thorn EMI executive, acknowledges that the most appropriate video distribution channels in Switzerland have not yet been fully tested. Many record retailers hesitate to take the expensive music videos in sizeable stocks, especially when they also have to take in reasonable supplies of CDs.

But more than 150 music videos are available on the Swiss video market, including most major international re-leases, and favored sellers in most regions are Bob Marley, Elvis Presley, the Beatles, Genesis, Elton John, plus the "Flashdance" package. Additionally, major Swiss concert "Flashdance" package. Additionally, major Swiss concert agency Good News has edged into video by offering music videos through its mail-out service and could further stimu-

But most industry observers regard the future of video-disks in Switzerland as bleak. Philips introduced a costly marketing campaign for the LaserVision system but by mid-1984 only some 1,200 units found buyers. Approximately 80 pop/rock video disks are available in Switzerland, selling at anything between \$20-\$37, but no rapid development in this home entertainment sector is envisaged.

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in Austria. Music will develop further as a growth industry in the next year or so. We'll enjoy a slight economic upturn. But the trend is clearly for the biggest of big stars and ony the biggest of big companies can produce such names and material.

Stephan von Friedberg, managing director of Ariola, goes along with the general theory that, while there will be slight adjustments in trade and mostly favorable, there will be no major changes in the Austrian music market. "Looking a bit further ahead, I fear there will be more and more problems for record sales. However the chances are there for us to survive and prosper and we must make sure we are geared to win battles over copyrights and neighboring rights

Kick Klimbie, managing director of EMI Columbia, backs off from expressing optimism. "I feel convinced that demand for records will decrease. Turnover will diminish. Singles sales are slumping this year as did cassettes in 1983. The general sales picture for EMI Columbia this year looks like being a virtual reprint of the 1983 situation."

However Jaroslav Sevcik, general manager of CBS, says: "It's my opinion that the music market here will grow by some 5%. Certainly we're looking for that kind of upturn for CBS, maybe a turnover increase of 7%-10%."

Over the past year, CBS Austria has scored most with album sales, followed by singles, then musicassettes. But Sevcik is far from happy with the sales of video games, his company handling ColecoVision. He explains: "Since Christmas of 1983, there's been nationwide stagnation over hardware sales as well as software. But then past experience suggests that 75% of total turnover will be built during the September to December period."

At Musica, general manager Franz J. Wallner says he's "satisfied" with general turnover so far this year. Until 1982, the company had a distribution with Arcade and that company's departure from the Austrian scene dented the bottom line total. However there is now compensation through the new Musica license deal with Tamla Motown set up early this year.

Musica has its own video company Videovertreib. Says Wallner: "Because there's virtually no demand for the Beta system in Austria, we'll stop distributing that software line. For us, the market is split pretty evenly between V2000 and Beta and it's my belief that an enormous demand is building right across the country for video material."

Another key executive with high hopes for video expansion

is Gunther Zitha, managing director of WEA Austria. "Our own video division has surpassed all expectations and hopes. Our own pundits believe there will be some 250,000 VCRs in domestic use in this territory by year's end."





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# Majors Pick Up Reggae Beat Meanwhile, Small, D.C.-Based Ras Label Goes All Out

By HARRY WEINGER

NEW YORK - Spurred by the reggae-oriented successes of Culture Club, the Police and UB40, major labels are increasing their activity in the reggae marketplace. And, in an 'official" endorsement of sorts, next year's Grammy Awards will debut a best reggae recording category.

Columbia Records, which recently scored with the Jamaican DJ Yellowman, has just released a chronologically wide-ranging anthology called "Reggae Come Forward." The visually attractive package includes music from Bob Marley, Peter Tosh and Third World, previously unavailable tracks from Aswad and a dance floor remix of a 1981 Jimmy Cliff track.

RCA Records has signed Brooklynite Denroy Morgan. A major star in Jamaica, Morgan is known to U.S. audiences for his 1981 Becket 12inch, "I'll Do Anything For You." Morgan's RCA debut, "Make My Day," is similar to the work of other Jamaican artists allied with major labels, among them Dennis Brown (A&M) and Peter Tosh (EMI America), in that the production is targeted for r&b crossover.

EMI, which also claims the Melo-Makers, Bob Marley's teenage children, features a track from their forthcoming release on a recently re-

"sneak preview" sampler.

The current Steel Pulse tour is stimulating sales for Elektra, as the group jumps to opening act status for Hebie Hancock's "Rockit" tour and its crossover audience. Says Greg Peck, vice president for Elektra's music department: "We're moving the group from its core audience to concert halls of 2,000 to Peck says he expects the group's new album, "Earth Crisis," to sell in excess of 10,000 units by the end of the tour.

While these projects underscore the majors' inconsistent interest in reggae, one organization that has shown radio and retail the commercial potential of the genre is Washington-based RAS Records.

Label president Gary Himelfarb has been forced to skirt traditional radio and retail outlets to make his artists-and the music in general-a more viable commodity. With the assistance of sales and marketing director Cynthia Abrams, RAS is making a concerted push for reggae acceptance in the U.S.

Abrams was instrumental in developing an international market for singer Freddie McGregor. By peddling a Spanish-language version of the classic "Guantanamera" by McGregor, Abrams secured licensing

for South America through Philips.

CBS/Sony in Japan picked up the single, as well as a Don Carlos album, from RAS. Other deals include distribution through Dance, an Ariola subsidiary, for Holland, and various companies in the U.K., Africa and Jamaica.

" 'Guantanamera' was a conscious effort to get reggae beyond the boundaries of Sunday afternoon college radio shows," Abrams says, noting that she recently sent McGregor on the road with the label's resident DJ team, Michigan & Smiley. An RAS presentation is made at each venue, from the stage as well as with merchandisng accessories. The artists participate in poster, LP and jacket giveaways, and RAS's lavish catalog is distributed at each gig.

Video has been instrumental in RAS's growing influence. Promo clips for Michigan & Smiley and singer Eek-A-Mouse are available through Rockamerica. "Since the videos have been out there," notes Abrams, "we have sold twice as many albums as the previous ones combined."

In another move, the label has been encouraged by an ad placed in the Michael Jackson issue of Right On! magazine. Bannered with the headline "Discover Your Roots." the ad asked readers to send for a free

# The Rhythm & The Blues Michael Jonzun Comes Down To Earth

Billboard's black music editor Nelson George is on vacation. Filling in is

The Space Cowboy isn't so spacey

His synthetic gold wig, concocted more out of loving tribute to Beethoven than to George Clinton, rests on a mannequin head in the closet of his suburban Boston home. And his vocals, electronically filtered on the pioneering "Lost In Space" album, now ring with a falsetto quality on "Time Is Running Out," a post-"Pac Jam" single in its second week on the black

Yes, producer Michael Jonzun is very much a part of the humanized world these days, preparing for the release of a new Jonzun Crew album on Tommy Boy and revelling in the success of his collaboration with an unlikely bedfellow: former J. Geils Band singer Peter Wolf.

The 25-year-old electronic funk maestro, whose ultra-cool future funk put the hip in the hop, has "crossed over" into a brave new world of opportunity by giving Wolf's EMI America album "Lights Out" a soulful, beat-box boost with plenty of pop appeal.

Considering their different backgrounds, the collaboration might seem strange. But Wolf, a former soul DJ with r&b roots, and Jonzun, a Floridian raised on Al Green. James Brown, Smokey Robinson and Otis Redding, score on a variety of stylistic fronts, from the mysterious Billie Holiday ballad "Gloomy Sunday" to the whimsical intergalactic novelty tune "Mars Needs Women." There's even room for a Motown homage and a cameo by Mick Jagger on "Pretty Lady," based on a riff from Don Covay's "Sooky Sooky" (Covay co-wrote the title song with

"Some real important people have called me already," says Jonzun, rewww.americanradiohistory.com

luctantly reeling off the names of such would-be collaborators as Jagger, the Bus Boys and Malcolm McLaren, who asked him to produce tracks for his dance music interpretation of "Madame Butterfly."

But the Cowboy's chief concern is finishing up the Crew's new album, which he promises will be more "song-oriented. Hip-hop isn't exactly dead, but it could stand a little more life," he says.

Jonzun's newfound "pop credibilreally isn't so new. As one of the architects of the first New Edition album. Jonzun has been making saucy pop-soul since the late '60s, when he teamed with his five brothers to form the Jonzuns. Citing Bobby Womack and Eugene Record in a long line of producers "troubled" by that family group's striking similarity to the Jackson 5, Jonzun says: "I've had to learn the hard way, getting doors

slammed in my face. But I feel I can cut a jazz record, a classical album, do some country and western. There's nothing like a good challenge." \* \* \*

Rounder Records has issued two killer albums for progressive black stations. On "Neville-ization," an extremely rich live record from the Neville Brothers, New Orleans' first family of rock and soul pool their individual strengths for piquant group harmonies and a tough workout from their sterling rhythm section. Two vehicles for the transcendental voice of Aaron Neville (whose son, Ivan, is on the road playing keyboards with Bonnie Raitt) stand out: an inspired remake of "Tell It Like It Is" (the ladies' choice), and a tuneful version of Bobby Womack's "Woman's Gotta

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# Photo News



THE JOKE'S ON YOU—PolyGram's Jerry Jaffe, left, and Harold Childs get a good laugh out of the "Crossover Promotion" panel.



ONE DOWN, 51 TO GO—After welcoming attendees to the fifth annual New Music Seminar, Aug. 6-8 at the New York Hilton, Seminar directors Tom Silverman of Tommy Boy, Rockpool's Mark Josephson and Uproar's Joel Webber listen as Herb Rickman, special assistant to Mayor Ed Koch, proclaims the city's first "New Music Week." Standing from left are Silverman, Rickman, Josephson and Webber.



THAT'S ALL FOLKS—Tommy Boy's Monica Lynch bids adieu to the crowd attending the "Independent Labels: Fighting For A Larger Share" panel, while other panelists linger to chat. Shown from left are Uproar's Joel Webber, Lynch, Profile's Steve Plotnicki and Prelude's Marvin Schlacter.



BROWN SOUNDS OFF—James Brown does one of his many "thangs," which included screams and splits, during his appearance on the lively artist panel.



BLOWING HIS OWN HORN—Producer Trevor Horn, owner of ZTT Records, narrows the number of music categories to two, good and bad, in his keynote speech.



WHAT'S HUMANITY GOT TO DO WITH IT?—An automated registrant schmoozes in the Seminar's official Schmoozatorium.



PRESSING ISSUES—Billboard's Nelson George, center, and New York Times music critic John Rockwell, left, debate a hot point with impresario Bill Graham after espousing their views during the press session.



TOWERING INFERNO—Tower Records chief Russ Solomon moderates a panel on retail and distribution, while Big State Distributing's Bill Emerson poses a question that momentarily stumps Morris Levy, president of Roulette Records and owner of Boston's Strawberries chain.

KEEPING TIME—Moderator Sonny Taylor, center, of WRKS New York leads a discussion of the prospects and perils of rhythm radio while panelists Joe "Butterball" Tamburo of WDAS Philadelphia and currently in-limbo Frankie Crocker look on.

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•	•	Hollywood, ZTT
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5	3	WHAT'S LOVE GOT TO DO
		WITH IT, Tina Turner, Capitol
6	13	SELF CONTROL, Laura
		Branigan, Atlantic
7	6	RELAX, Frankie Goes To
		Hollywood, ZTT
8	5	WHEN DOVES CRY, Prince,
		Warner Bros.
9	10	WHITE LINES, Grandmaster &
		Melle Mel, Sugar Hill
10	33	LIKE TO GET TO KNOW YOU
		WELL, Howard Jones, WEA
t t	15	ON THE WINGS OF LOVE,
		Jeffrey Osborne, A&M
12	9	IT'S A HARD LIFE, Queen, EMI
13	7	HOLE IN MY SHOE, Neil, WEA
14	12	CLOSEST THING TO HEAVEN,
		Kane Gang, Kitchenware
15	23	STUCK ON YOU, Trevor
		Walters, I&S
16	11	<b>EVERYBODY'S LAUGHING, Phil</b>
		Fearon & Galaxy, Ensign
17	14	DOWN ON THE STREET,
		Shakatak, Polydor
18	20	TOSSING AND TURNING,
		Windjammer, MCA
19	26	SUNGLASSES, Tracey Uliman,
		Stiff
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JUMP, Pointer Sisters, Planet

#### AL BUMS NOW THAT'S WHAT I CALL

MUSIC III, Various, Virgin
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LEGEND, Bob Marley & Wailers, PRIVATE DANCER, Tina Turner. CAN'T SLOW DOWN, Lionel THE WORKS, Queen, EMI THRILLER, Michael Ja AN INNOCENT MAN, Billy Joel BREAK OUT. Pointer Sisters BREAKDANCE, Various, Polydor

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ALL OF YOU, Diana Ross &
Julio Iglesias, Columbia/CBS
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DANCING IN THE DARK, Bruce 11

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13 Sisters, RCA
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Stopping Us, Ollie & Jerry, Polydor/PolyGram LEGS, ZZ Top, Warner Bros./

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ELIMINATOR, ZZ Top, Warner
Bros./WEA
ELIMINATOR, ZZ Top, Warner
Bros./WEA
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Richie, Motown/Quality
MAN ON THE LINE, Chris
DeBurgh, A&M
VICTORY, Jacksons, Epic/CBS
SELF CONTROL, Laura
Branigan, Atlantic/WEA
INTO THE GAP, Thompson
Twins, Arista/PolyGram
CAMOUFLAGE, Rod Stewart,
Warner Bros./WEA
BREAK OUT, Pointer Sisters,
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I CAN DREAM ABOUT YOU, Dan
Hartman, MCA
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WITH IT, Tina Turner, 19 NEW

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Virgin BORDERLINE, Madonna, Sire WHAT'S LOVE GOT TO DO WITH IT, Tina Turner,

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SAD SONGS, Elton John, Rocket
ONLY WHEN YOU LEAVE,
Spandau Ballet, Chrysalls
SWEET AND SOUR, Takeaways,

ABC EYES WITHOUT A FACE, BIIIY

Idol, Chrysalis RUN RUNAWAY, Slade, RCA

I HATE THAT, Rodney Rude,

PURPLE RAIN. Prince. Warner

Bros. H'ITS HUGE '84, Various, CBS SWEET AND SOUR, Takeaways,

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COLOUR BY NUMBERS, Culture

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Springsteen, CBS LEGEND, Bob Marley & Wailers,

MADONNA, Sire SIDEWALK, Icehouse, Regular

MASTERPIECES, Sky, Ariola THIS ISLAND, Eurogliders, CBS

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Canyon/Johnny's JIKKAI, Akina Nakamori,

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KOBAYASHI & C POINI, CBS-SONY/PMP MOMOIRO TOIKI, Mariko Takahashi, Victor/Bird-JCM NEVER, MIE, CBS-Sony/Nichion MISS BRAND NEW DAY,

MISS BRAND NEW DAY,
Southern All Stars,
Victor/Amuse
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RVC/Geiel-TV Asahi
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Taurus/Sun-JCM
MEIKYUU NO ANDROLA, Kyoko

Koizumi, Victor/Burning Al OBOETE IMASUKA, Mari

lijima, Victor/Nichlon-Tatsunoko FUTARI NO ISLAND, Yuko Ishikawa & Chage, Radio

City/Yamaha KANASHIKUTE JEALOUSY,

Checkers, Canyon/Yama SUMMER EYES, Momoko

Stones
CAN'T SLOW DOWN, Lionel

THE SWING, Inxs, WEA BORN IN THE U.S.A, Bruce

VICTORY, Jacksons, Epic

ABC PARADE, Spandau Ballet,

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Everything But The Girl,
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Warner Bros.

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EDEN, Everything But The Girl,
WEA
DIAMOND LIFE, Sade, Epic
LEGEND, Bob Marley & Wallers,

Island
SEVEN AND THE RAGGED
TIGER, Duran Duran, EMI
BRILLIANT TREES, David
Sylvian, Virgin
PRIMITIVE, Neil Diamond, CBS
JUNK CULTURE, OMD, Virgin

#### Homemade VCR **Hits Russian Mart**

MOSCOW-Russia's first indigenous videocassette recorder, the Electronica EVM-15, is expected to sell some 12,000 units this year, with production targeted at 60,000 in 1985 and 100,000 in 1986. The machine is based on a National Panasonic model.

#### **Branson Closing** London's Venue

LONDON-The Venue, one of this city's premier rock concert halls, is closing, according to Virgin boss Richard Branson, who owns it.

"The hall has been struggling to balance the books for some time," says Branson. "My plan is to open a new rock center in central London, and we've been checking out likely sites.

# Canada

**CHANNEL'S DEBUT NEARS** 

# MuchMusic Network Plans Diverse Playlist

By KIRK LaPOINTE

The MuchMusic Network debuts next month as a pay-tv service on Canadian cable. Last week, Billboard looked at its financial prospects. This week, programming is studied.

TORONTO — The drilling and hammering goes on incessantly, drywall emits a fine dust and only a curtain separates the future set from the current office. But scrappy behavior is nothing new for the CITY-TV rock video seers, who inhabit the upper floors of the aged station headquarters. And besides, their new age is dawning.

Soon there will be a high-tech-chic studio to situate the broadcast of MuchMusic, the CHUM Ltd. music video service that is likely to be a household word by the fall in Canada. At last word, the finishing touches were far away, but that rush-to-air approach has been the *modus operandi* of this most unusual of Canadian television stations from its inception.

Production chief John Martin rarely has trouble communicating, but he has to pause ever so briefly to define the studio culture MuchMusic aims to deliver. He says it can best be described by animation he wants to accompany the station's kickoff.

"The finest 'Star Wars'-type animation, very impressive, so no teenager will be bored. An astronaut walking in space, but carrying a spray-paint can, scrawling graffiti across the spaceship," Martin laughs.

Torontonians have lived with this image for more than six years as CHUM-owned CITY pumped out award-winning music video programming on such programs as "The New Music" (now syndicated in more than a dozen markets), "CHUM Top 30 Countdown," "Toronto Rocks" and "City Limits."

The latter slipped comfortably into the overnight slot last year and is to be the foundation for the MuchMusic service, a six-hour-daily live program which then is repeated three times to round out the 24-hour schedule.

Coca-Cola Ltd. has come aboard

to sponsor the Coke Countdown, essentially replacing the CHUM Countdown, every Friday night. And Carling O'Keefe's brewery largesse has been lured as a sponsor for the monthly MuchMusic concert presentations.

Other production agreements are in the works, including some involving MTV in the U.S. MuchMusic will broadcast MTV's video awards Sept. 14, the first day it becomes a pay service after a scheduled two-week free run on cable systems.

The Canadian federal broadcast regulator, the Canadian Radio-Television & Telecommunications Commission, does not disapprove of the MTV agreement. But CHUM was given permission to launch a national music video service only on the condition that it would be unlike MTV.

MuchMusic has to play 8% Canadian video in its first year, moving to 15% by the fifth year, not an easy feat because of the limited amount of CanCon videos available. It is also being forced by its license conditions to help finance independent video production. A total of 2.4% of its revenue, or \$100,000—whichever is greater—will be handed over to the Canadian Independent Record Production Assn. (CIRPA) to administer, through VideoFACT, the Video Foundation to Assist Canadian Talent.

The key to the difference for MuchMusic lies in its playlists. It's unlikely that any radio station plays such a wide range of music, much less a television video service. Where else can viewers see in an hour Steel Pulse, Waylon Jennings and Scorpions?

Components of a typical Much-Music hour will vary, but normally it will contain 10 to 12 videos (including one or two Canadian ones), eight minutes maximum of commercials (some of which will be longer than one minute in duration), two or three minutes of news and gossip, and probably three or four minutes of jock talk.

# Iglesias, Springsteen Top July CRIA Certifications

TORONTO — Julio Iglesias and Bruce Springsteen share the spotlight in the July certifications issued by the Canadian Recording Industry Assn. (CRIA), with both artists' current releases pulling along catalog material and landing them their biggest Canadian sales yet

Meanwhile, Huey Lewis & the News continue to chalk up impressive sales, and a short Canadian tour during July didn't seem to hurt one bit. The "Sports" album broke through the triple platinum mark, and the single "I Want A New Drug" edged past gold.

The CRIA's 23 July certifications included gold and platinum for Springsteen's "Born In The U.S.A." In addition, his "Born To Run" crested the double-platinum barrier, and "Nebraska" surpassed gold.

The news for Iglesias was equally promising. His collaborative single with Willie Nelson, "To All The Girls I've Loved Before," went gold and platinum, his "Pour Toi" also went gold and platinum, and his "Sentimental" went gold.

Billy Idol's "Rebel Yell" continued to sell well, surpassing the double-platinum mark as the only other multiple-platinum certification in July. Stevie Nicks' "Wild Heart" went both gold and platinum in the month.

The top Canadian certification of July went to Platinum Blonde for "Standing In The Dark," which sold more than 100,000 units as an LP and six-cut mini-LP combined. Only two other Canadian-content releases were certified by the CRIA

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The Nylons' "Seamless" is the third consecutive certified album for the acapella group, even though little interest in the band has been generated in the U.S. Red Rider's "Breaking Curfew" also moved past the gold mark, becoming the group's fourth straight album to reach that plateau.

Other gold certifications during the month for albums included the "Breakin'" soundtrack, the Pointer Sisters' "Break Out," Kenny Rogers' "Duets," Chris de Burgh's "Man On The Line," Jermaine Jackson's selftitled album and Wang Chung's "Points On A Curve."

# News/International\_\_\_\_

# More Music Due On Sky Channel Europe-Wide Clip Output Increasing To Three Hours

By MIKE HENNESSEY

LONDON—Plans to extend Sky Channel's pan-European satellite music output from one to three hours a day by next year have been announced here.

Sky will originate the extra programming to replace the "Music Box" package currently supplied by The Music Channel Ltd., the joint venture of Thorn EMI, Virgin and Yorkshire Television (Billboard, April 28). Sky's deal with The Music Channel Ltd. runs out at the end of this year and won't be renewed.

Sky Channel is currently producing its own daily one-hour music show, "Sky-Fi," which it launched July 30. 'Sky-Fi" is available to 1.6 million cable subscribers in Europe, notably Holland (873,216), Switzerland (404,787) and Finland (104,445). Other countries reached include Austria (96,000), Norway (89,891), West Germany (59,400), the U.K. (33,443), Sweden (10,615) and France (1,027).

The program is presented by disk jockeys Tony Blackburn, Gary Davis and Pat Sharp. It features video clips, pop news, competitions, interviews and a different guest star presenter each Sunday.

According to the "Sky-Fi" music policy, every other record played on the show is an established hit. Music consultants for the program are Ian Wiener and Nik Powell, and the playlist is based on data derived from the Media Research & Information Bureau, Billboard's Hits Of The World and Theo Roos's Holland-

based "Eurotipsheet." Sky is currently negotiating with Billboard for use of its single and album charts on the program.

Sky Channel, in which Rupert Murdoch's News International has a 65% stake, was the first broadcasting operation to produce a pan-European video show when it launched a pilot run of Cable Countdown in the last four months of 1983.

When Sky Channel first went on the air in May, 1983, it had a potential reach of 350,000 cable connections. It is now able to beam into 1.6 million homes. Sky Channel general manager David Ciclitira says the company is targeting for 2.5 million by January, five million by January, 1986, and 7.5 million by January, 1987.

So far, only three countries in Europe have a substantial number of television homes connected to cable systems. Holland leads the way with three million, followed by Belgium with 2.5 million and Switzerland with one million. But, says. Ciclitira, the U.K., France and West Germany are all committed to rapid development of cable operations.

"Sky-Fi," which goes out nightly between 5 and 6 p.m., has developed a high-speed formula for producing its programs for the week in just two days, creating a racy, casual atmosphere in the space-age set in order to give the impression of a live show.

Sky Channel will be phasing out its Music Box transmission over the remaining months of this year, dropping down to three hours daily and then two hours daily before the contract ends on Dec. 31.

The "Sky-Fi" playlist is divided into hot plays, new plays and gold plays. The hot players are primarily top 20 singles.

The Music Channel operation, meanwhile, is planning further expansion of its "Music Box" program, which it inaugurated two months ago. Currently sending three hours of new programming per day, rotating four times from midday to midnight, Music Channel will increase transmission Sept. 1 to four new hours a day, rotated four times between 8 a.m. and midnight. In November, the new programming content will be boosted to six hours a day.

Says Marcus Bicknell, Thorn EMI cable division marketing manager: "We expect to have half a million subscribers in the U.K. able to receive the program by early next year. We're aiming for a potential reach of one million homes in Europe by the end of this year and something over three million by April, 1985.

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"Music Box" is currently receivable in the U.K., Holland, Austria, Germany, Sweden, Denmark and Finland. Bicknell expects the program to be available in Norway and France by October.

"Music Box" programming consists essentially of rock music videos and is targeted at the 15- to 25-year-old age group. The show uses an average of 14 clips an hour, with up to 10 minutes per hours devoted to music news, competitions, archive material, interviews and station identification. There is a U.K. top 40 chart update segment each Wednesday and a concert or special feature each Saturday.

#### **BOTH SIDES GEAR FOR CONFRONTATION**

# German Tape Levy Row Looms

By JIM SAMPSON

MUNICH—The music and blank tape industries here are preparing for a major confrontation this fall over the proposed blank tape royalty. German tape manufacturers have formed a "magnetic tape information group" to inform the public about the levy's "background and possible implications," while the music business is preparing a public relations counter-offensive for late September.

Both moves are timed to accompany a critical stage in parliamentary consideration of revision of the German copyright law. But they are also part of a hardening of the two fronts throughout the European Economic Community. The EEC Commission is expected to release a consultative statement on copyright reform this fall, while France may act on a tape levy law before year's end.

# German Market Still Slumping

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were headed by Peter Schilling and DOF, along with Juliane Werding and Alphaville. Overall, WEA singles sales for the January-July period were up 11% on the previous year, full-price LPs up 2% and midprice up 22%. Maxi-singles soared by 262% on the comparable 1983 returns, with Laura Branigan's "Self Control" selling 30% of its total 500,000 units in this configuration, according to WEA managing director Manfred Zumkeller, who also points to a 167% increase in midprice cassette sales.

Earlier this year, European tape manufacturers announced the formation of a coalition to fight blank tape legislation throughout the EEC (Billboard, Feb. 25). In a statement announcing the new German group, chairman Michael Litterer of BASF points to proposals before the European Commission which would make blank tapes 'twice as expensive as now."

According to Litterer, tape manufacturers remain fundamentally opposed to any tape royalty, in part because of the "extremely high rate of non-musical taping, especially timeshift video recording."

Litterer promises to reveal new information supporting his position at a press conference Aug. 28 at the Duesseldorf hi fi/video fair, in hope of building consumer opposition to a levy which would increase retail tape prices. He adds that the magnetic tape information group has been in "constant contact" with similar trade groups throughout the EEC to monitor developments at the community level, while hoping to put pressure on Bonn to drop plans for a tape levy here.

The second draft of the German copyright revision awaits action by the German Bundestag (Parliament) upon its return from summer vacation on Sept. 9. All relevant committees have discussed the proposal, which calls for a hardware royalty of roughly 75 cents per audio recorder and \$5.50 per video recorder, plus a blank tape levy of less than four cents per hour of audiotape storage capacity and around 11 cents per hour of videotape storage capacity.

The politicians could decide to act on the revision as it stands, or they

could call for further public hearings. Most German electronics manufacturers clearly support the second draft revision, with a hardware fee lower than the current level, in effect since 1966.

Photocopier manufacturers are reportedly gathering market research information to oppose proposed compensation for duplication of copyrighted material. Tape suppliers are hoping for more hearings, which would delay and possibly lead to reduction or elimination of an eventual blank tape levy.

The music industry would probably welcome new hearings, too, despite the resulting delay in getting a tape royalty. Peter Zombik of the record industry association Phonoverband sees a "minimal risk" of lowering compensation through hearings, but a good chance of convincing legislators to hike the rate to a more acceptable level. He also points to pending developments in neighboring France and in the EEC, both of which are expected to aid the copyright holders' cause.

But it remains uncertain whether the German music industry can present a united front to counter the tape manufacturers' group. The tape lobby has in the past taken advantage of disagreements within the opposition. Plans for a coalition of rights holders, proposed two years ago by music publisher Peter Kirsten, failed to win broad support.

A key to such a coalition would be GEMA, which traditionally mounts its own lobbying and public relations campaigns. A GEMA spokesman in Bonn says he had been unaware of plans for a unified rights holders' lobby in the coming months.

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# Billboard Singles keviews.



MADONNA—Lucky Star (3:44); producer: Reggie Lucas; writer: Madonna; publishers: WB/Bleu Disque/Webo Girl, ASCAP; Sire 7-29177. Cheerful sound with an indiarubber bassline; shared honors with "Holiday" at the top of the dance chart for over a month and will segue into pop with equal ease.

ROD STEWART—Some Guys Have All The Luck (4:17); producer: Michael Omartian; writer: J. Fortgang; publishers: Kirshner/April, ASCAP; Warner Bros. 7-29215. The kind of light, jouncing tune that sets off that unfailing voice to best effect; convincing pathos in the role of winsome loser.

#### -recommended-

JUICE NEWTON—Can't Wait All Night (3:58); producer: Richard Landis; writers: Bryan Adams, Jim Vallance; publishers: Irving, BMI/Adams Communications/Calypso Toonz, PROC; RCA PB-13863. Singalong, shoutalong hard

rock; in its third week on the Hot 100.

FRANK STALLONE—If We Ever Get Back (3:08); producers: Frank Stallone, Vince DiCola; writers: F. Stallone, V. DiCola, J.B. Esposito; publishers: Valsong/Beanery, ASCAP/BMI; Polydor 881 142-7. Uptempo dance-rock. MARK SPIRO—She Doesn't Mean A Thing To Me (3:06); producer: Jack White; writer: Joey Carbone; publisher: Sixty-Ninth Street, BMI; MCA/Curb 52447. Power pop

from the film "Voyage Of The Rock Aliens."

ANNABEL LAMB—Inside Of My Head (3:24); producers:
Wally Brill, David Anderle; writer: Jim Rawcliffe; publisher: Irving, BMI; A&M AM-2663. British singer applies her severe-sounding vocal style to a gently melodic pop tune.

RUSS COLETTI—Look At My Face (3:32); producer: Peter Dach; writers: R. Wilson, R. Coletti; publisher: Chow Niko, BMI; Harmony HRIRC 100. Solid, commercial power rock ballad: comparable to Rick Springfield's honest. emotions-on-the-surface style. Contact: (818) 841-2500. HERBIE PABST—Love From The Right Man (4:22); producer: Herbie Pabst; writers: Herbie Pabst, Julie Tucker; publisher: Blue Earth, ASCAP; Blue Earth BE-8404. Midtempo rock ballad features vocals and keyboards phased into otherworldliness. Contact: P.O. Box 1515, West Caldwell, N.J. 07007.

PHANZ—Stuck In The Middle (4:00); producer: Rochelle Runnells; writers: Rochelle Runnells, William Durham, Robert Palmer; publishers: Critique/Ellehchor/Foot/Ra-majon, BMI; Critique CRI 707. Heavy funk-plus-rock rhythms anchor airy harmonies from L.A.-based group. Contact: (617) 944-0423.

#### -also received-

ECHO AND THE BUNNYMEN—Seven Seas (3:18); producer: All Concerned; writers: Sergeant, McCulloch, Pattinson, de Freitas; publishers: Zoo/Warner Bros., ASCAP; Sire 7-29288.

MARIANNE MABILE—Rainbow's End (4:05); producer: Norman Kurban; writers: Norman Kurban, Daryl Glenn; publishers: Winner/Avatar, BMI; Winner W/A102. Contact: (213) 669-8609.

ANDERS—I Need A Better World (4:19); producer: not listed; writer: Anders Stone; publisher: Stoney-Glenn, BMI; Redletter RRR-SA-101. Contact: (619) 420-0647.

FAKE—Right (5:02); producer: Fake; writers: E. Strömblad, T. Wilhelmsson; publisher: not listed; Sound Of Scandinavia SOS 1184. Contact: (212) 222-8715.

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A WARMING TREND—Joda Bop (3:25); producer: Gavin McLeod; writer: G. McLeod; publisher: Lien, BMI; Lien (no number). Contact: (619) 695-3056. KARIN—Si Ella Supiera (timing not listed); producer: not listed; writer: Andres Montero; publisher: not listed; LAG LAG-2012. Contact: (809) 725-

8520.
WHITEHAWK—That Special Lady (3:41); producer: George Rath; writers: G. Rath, C. Crockett; publisher: Buflalo Nickel, BMI; No Capital NC 1229. Contact: (916) 272-3424.
HORMEL HIGH SCHOOL BAND—The Original And Complete Star Spangled Banner (3:46); producer; not listed; writer: not listed; publisher: Westwind, BMI; Break 70484. Contact: (213) 478-8227.



TEDDY PENDERGRASS—You're My Choice To-night (Choose Me) (3:52); producer: Luther Vandross; writers: Luther Vandross, Marcus Miller; publishers: April/Uncle Ronnie's/Thriller Miller, ASCAP; Asylum 7-69696. Compared to "Hold Me," Pendergrass' latest romantic mood piece is less lush but more intimate; the soft-spoken, velvet-voiced baritone can be very

STEPHANIE MILLS—The Medicine Song (4:00); producer: "Hawk"; writer: David "Hawk" Wolinski; publishers: Overdue/WB, ASCAP; Casablanca 880 180-7 (12-inch version also available, Casablanca 880 PICKS—new releases with the greatest chart potential in the corresponding format. RECOMMENDED—records with potential for significant chart action in the corresponding format. ALSO RECEIVED—other records with potential for chart entry in the corresponding format, and other new releases. Records equally appropriate for more than one format are given the higher review. Pop (Hot 100) is listed first, as that chart surveys the broadest audience. Adult Contemporary and Dance/Disco are last, as those charts measure airplay only. NEW & NOTEWORTHY—highlights new and developing acts worthy of attention. All singles commercially available in the U.S. are eligible for review. Reviews are coordinated by Nancy Erlich at Billboard, 1515 Broadway, New York, N.Y. 10036 (telephone: 212-764-7311). Country singles should be sent to: Kip Kirby, Billboard, 14 Music Circle East, Nashville, Tenn. 37203 (telephone: 615-748-8100).

180-1). To a high-pressure rhythm, Mills pulls out every vocal trick in the book: she's the raunchy aggressor, the flute-like soprano and the kittenish seductress, all in four minutes.

LAKESIDE—Make My Day (4:18); producer: Lakeside; writers: S. Shockley, F. Alexander, Jr., R. Shelby; publisher: Lakesound, ASCAP; Solar 7-69695. Tough funk bass and steely delivery; for those who take their partying seriously and are willing to work at it.

#### -recommended

KURTIS BLOW—8 Million Stories (4:20); producers: J.B. Moore, Robert Ford, Jr.; writers: W. Waring, K. Blow, D. Harris, S. Breck; publisher: Kuwa, ASCAP; Mercury 880 170-7. Includes a guest rap from Run-D.M.C.; mini-biographies survey the harsher sides of urban life.

urban life.

MARCUS MILLER—I Could Give You More (3:59);
producers: Marcus Miller, Ray Bardani; writer: Marcus Miller; publishers: Thriller Miller/MCA, ASCAP;
Warner Bros. 7-29194. Clean, precise dance-r&b.
SHERYL LEE RALPH—In The Evening (3:50); producer: Trevor Lawrence; writers: Trevor Lawrence, Frank
Musker; publishers: CBS/F.M., BMI; New York Music

MUSKer; publishers: CBS/F.M., BMI; New York MUSIC Co. NYM-10. 7-inch version of previously reviewed 12-inch, Billboard, Aug. 4, 1984.

PHYLLIS ST. JAMES—Candlelight After Noon (3:41); producer: Velton Ray Bunch; writer: P. St. James; publishers: Ensign/Tambeat, BMI; Motown 1758MF. Midtempo soul; singer's light, sweet voice recalls Mary Malle.

Wells.
SINNAMON—Thin Line (5:25); producer: Darryl Payne Productions; writers: W. Downing, J. Smith; publishers: Fazz/Smith Cox/Powerhouse, BMI; Powerhouse PH1111 (12-inch single). Sassy r&b with electronic propulsion. Contact: (516) 621-5000.
WORLD UF MAZEHE—Everybody What's The Word (4:30); producer: J. Blair; writers: J. Blair, D. Perdue; publishers: Versoul/SAKB, BMI; SAKB 12-2001 (12-inch single). Beat is strong musicianship is sensa-

inch single). Beat is strong, musicianship is sensational in a half-rap half-instrumental that features virtuoso electric fiddle. Contact: (201) 242-8459.

#### also received

MEGATWA FATMAN—Pants Too Tight (Rock Military) (3:57); producer: Bill McKinney; writers: Daryl McKinney, Bill McKinney; publishers: Solid Smash/Stud Rico, ASCAP; Critique CRI 708. Contact: (617) 944-0423. MAGNETIC TOUCH—Dance With Me (4:10); producers: Bobby Taylor, Darryl Ian; writers: B. Taylor, J. Dockett; publisher: Taylor Made, BMI; Cheryl C1001 (12-inch version also available, Cheryl C1002). Contact: (212) 946-0840

DELIVERENCE—Say You Believe In Jesus (5:37); producer: Rodney Stepp; writers: K. Edmonds, E. Officer, M. Plummer, J. Fountain, K. Resenover; publisher: Leonbea, SESAC; Circle City TR42684.



EARL THOMAS CONLEY-Chance Of Lovin' You EARL THOMAS CONLEY—Chance Of Lovin' You (2:55); producers: Nelson Larkin, Earl Thomas Conley; writers: Earl Thomas Conley, Randy Scruggs; publisher: Blue Moon/Labor Of Love, ASCAP/BMI; RCA PB-13877. Conley makes a convincing bid at prolonging his chart-topping streak with this examination of the risks inherent in the single scene. A slightly unusual snare sound and restrained synthesizer fills accent

the production.

ATLANTA—Wishful Drinkin' (2:44); producers: Mi-IN IAM IA—WISTRUI Drinkin' (2:44); producers: Milan Bogdan, Larry McBride; writers: Blake Mevis, Bils Shore; publishers: G.I.D./Royalhaven, ASCAP/BMI; MCA 52452. Surfacing through this flotsam of honkytonk cliches are a nice, uptempo melody and some very listenable vocal tracks. This time the nine-man group doesn't overwhelm us with their harmonies.

#### recommended

ZELLA LEHR-All Heaven Is About To Break Loose (2:42); producers: Tommy Rocco, Charlie Black; writers: Tommy Rocco, Steve Bogard, Charlie Black; pubers: Tommy Rocco, Steve Bogard, Charlie Black; pub-lishers: Bibo/Vogue/Chappell, BMI/ASCAP; Com-pleat CP-129 (c/o PolyGram) Lehr's interpretation of storming love is sensitive and effectively understated. KAREN ANDERSON—Who Are You Running From (3:05); producers: D. Grotjohn, J. Capps; writers: Nat Kipner, Todd Cerney; publishers: Chriswald/Hopi Sound/MCA, ASCAP/Kipner, BMI; MBP 1984. Powered by a hard-driving rhythm section, Anderson soars on this energetic thumper. Label based in

RED HORSE—It's All Whiskey To Me (3:25); producer: John Beland; writers: Danny Batchelor, Benny Vincent; publisher: not listed; Red Horse RHP-51084. Red Horse trots through this refreshingly straightforward number and offers a few new twists to the

wald lumber and others a few fiew thew the them to boozy blues. Label based in Sherman, Tex.

WHITE WATER JUNCTION—Sleeping Back To Back
(2:46); producer: John Ragsdale; writers: K. Blazy, M. Hiter; publisher: Evanlee/Pat-Hit, ASCAP; Jungle Rogue JRS-1004. A light, frothy treatment of a less than cataclysmic domestic ill. Label based in Mashville

Nashville.

LEE GOODWIN—Call Me On The Telephone (2:32); producers: Duane Marrs, Paul Brown; writers: Helen Goodwin, Lee Goodwin; publisher: LaKat, BMI; GMB 84-004. Goodwin applies a perky Western swing treatment to a set of undistinguished lyrics. Label based in Machville.

EDDIE WICKER-Mississippi River Rat (2:15); producer: not listed; writers: Ray Hall, James Hall, Edward Dickey; publisher: Sugar Ridge, BMI; Sugar Ridge SRR-45-8401. A driving rhythm flushes out little-known social type. Contact: Rt. 1, Box 746, Hyatt, Mo. 63851.

#### -also received-

DOM MALEMA—New Shade Of Blue (2:45); producer: Scott Turner; writer: Tim Meehan; publisher: Buried Treasure, ASCAP; Comstock 1753. Contact: (913) 631-6060.

BOBBY G. RICE—I Broke Down And Cried (3:16); producer: Gene Kennedy; writers: Spanky Scott, Ray Sanders; publishers: Chip'N'Dale, ASCAP/Door Knob, BMI; Door Knob 84-218. Label based in Nashville.

JACK TYSON—She Wouldn't Touch Me With A 10' Pole (2:30); producer: not listed; writer: John Sands, EMI; Norm 1-65-A.

JEFF WILLIS—Serious Fun (3:05); producers: Gary DiBenedetto, Ansley Fleetwood; writer: B. Beene; publisher: Irec, ASCAP; Brandwood 0028. Contact: (615) 292-3593.

CHARLIE ALBERTSON—No Love Line (3:16); producer: Jimmy Capps; writers: Dave Kirby, Warren Robb; publishers: Tree, BMI/Cross Keys, ASCAP; Hilltop 164. Label based in MI; Juliet, Tenn.

NEVA—Alabama Party (2:17); producer: not listed; writer: Neva J. Howell; publisher: Loose Ends, ASCAP; Mikron 451100. Label based in Pittsburg, Tenn.

Tenn.
WILL MILLER—Honky Tonk Woman Blues (2:42); producer: Glenn Barber;
writer: Will Miller; publishers: Will/Clip, ASCAP; Century 21 112. Contact:
(615) 822-6390.
GARY DANIELS—Dusty Bowl Blues (3:20); producer: not listed; writer:
Gary R. Daniels; publisher: Sun Belt, ASCAP; Grand Prize 5219-NSD (c/o
NSD, Nashville).



## also received-

KARIN—Me Estoy Sintiendo Sola (timing not listed); producer: not listed; writer: Burn Parr; publisher: not listed; LAG L-2010. Contact: (809) 725-



PETER WOLF—Lights Out (6:16); producers: Michael Jonzun, Peter Wolf; writers: P. Wolf, D. Covay; publishers: Pal-Park/Ze-ev, ASCAP/BMI; EMI America V-7834. 12-inch version of previously reviewed 7-inch, Billboard, July 14, 1984.

HOTBOX—With You (5:50); producer: Mark Berry; writer: Lou Lu; publisher: Baby Raquel, ASCAP; Polydor 881 222-1 (12-inch single). All the studio flash and thunder you could want, plus some nice extrovert waiting from the three singers.

wailing from the three singers.

#### -recommended

TERRI WELLS—I'm Givin' All My Love (6:33); producer: Nick Martinelli; writers: T. Wells, J. King, J. Williams; publishers: Philly World, BMI/Heart to Heart, ASCAP; Philly World 0-96924 (12-inch single). Like "I'll Be Around," simple but effective disco-soul. CENTRAL LINE—Surprise, Surprise (4:55); producer: Roy Carter; writers: C. Hinds, H. Defoe, R. Carter; publishers: Karta/Warner Bros./CBS, ASCAP; Mercury 880 134-1. 12-inch version of previously reviewed 7-inch, Billboard, June 30, 1984.

COMATEENS—Resist Her (5:24); producer: Pete Solley; writers: L. Byrd, N. North, O. North; publishers: Nic North/Archontic, ASCAP/BMI; Virgin/Mercury 880 151-1 (12-inch single). Dance-pop in the new wave fashion; quite refreshingly uncluttered.

RUE CALDWELL—Show Me The Magic (5:57); producer: Rue Caldwell; writer: Rue Caldwell; publisher: Hookology, ASCAP; Rudini RU-501 (12-inch single; publisher); and provided the publisher.

inch version also available, Rudini RU-101). Rich-sounding, percussion-laden soul-disco; debut release for the artist's own label. Label based in Woodland Hills, Calif.

CINDI TODD-Love Transfusion (I Need Your Touch) (7:59); producers: Singer, Collins; writers: Steve Singer, Hayward Collins; publishers: Clear Blue/Saddlebag, BMI; Airwave AW12-94993 (12-inch single). Maximum electro-overstatement designed to make ballroom walls crumble. Contact: (213) 463-9500.

-Talkin' Out The Side Of Your Neck (4:04); producer: Larry Blackmon; writers: L. Blackmon, C. Singleton, N. Leftenant, T. Jenkins; publishers: All Seeing Eye/Cameo Five, ASCAP/BMI; Atlanta Artists

Seeing Eye/Cameo Five, ASCAP/BMI; Atlanta Artists 880 038-1 (c/o PolyGram). 12-inch version of previously reviewed 7-inch, Billboard, June 2, 1984. HIGH FIDELITY THREE—B Boys Breakdance (5:05); producers: Jerry Calliste Jr., Aldo Marin; writers: R. Mabry, M. Kydd, W. McDonald; publishers: Cutting/Hashim, ASCAP; Cutting CR-202 (12-inch single). State-of-the-rapper's-art electroboogie with all the consistent properties of the property of the pr requisite technological whoosh. Contact: (212) 569-4589.

DAVE GRUSIN-Thankful N' Thoughtful (4:10); producers: Dave Grusin, Larry Rosen; writer: Sylvester Stewart; publishers: Fresh/Illily; GRP TP-4004. 12inch version of previously reviewed 7-inch, Billboard, Aug. 11, 1984

KYM—Give Me The Dance (4:04); producers: Richard Roeder, Joe Thomas; writers: R. Roeder, J. Thomas; publisher: Award Masters, BMI; Award E7784008. Earthy, direct vocal; polished techno-disco tracks. Label based in Baltimore, Md.

#### also received-

MASTER PLAN—Pushin' Too Hard (5:05); producers: Dale Roadcap, Master Plan; writer: S. Saxon; publisher: Neil; AEMMP AE12S-301 (12-inch single). Contact: (312) 663-1600, Ext. 423.
ZACHARY—Astro Boy On Venus (5:06); producer: Jimmie Haskell; writers: Zachary, Pleasant Gehman; publisher: not listed; Precious Cargo PCR821 (12-inch single). Contact: (213) 651-2327.



CHEQUERED PAST-How Much Is Too Much? (3:42); producer: Michael James Jackson; writers: M. Des Barres, S. Jones, M. Holden; publishers: MCA/CQP/Dream Dealers, ASCAP; EMI America B-8229. In structure and delivery, this single is a direct descendant of Free's classic "All Right Now," with some upward adjustments in decibel and literacy levels.

HELIX—Rock You (2:51); producer: Tom Treumuth; writer: Bob Halligan, Jr.; publisher: Screen Gems-EMI, BMI; Capitol B-5391. The most uncomprored in the processing and progressing stadium sized headbangers'.

mising, unforgiving, stadium-sized headbangers' anthem ever to bend the needles on VU meters; for sheer savagery, these Canadians leave the Riots and the Ratts far behind.

STOMPERS—One Heart For Sale (3:59); producers: Ritchie Cordell, Glen Kolotkin; writer: S. Baglio; publisher: Sal Baglio, ASCAP; Mercury 880 174-7. Boston quintet's label debut heralds the return of some great American traditions: the Spector sound, streetcorner close harmony, sleigh-bell percussion and freedom from irony.

and freedom from irony.

DECEIVOR—Electric Barbecue (3:30); producers: Cheeze, Kiderian, Deceivor; writers: Eddy Grant, Deceivor; publisher: Cheeze, BMI; Cheeze/Kiderian KR 4532. A scurrilous, disrespectful, reprehensible, (also hilarious), grinding-into-hamburger of what was once Eddy Grant's finest hour. A wickeder wit than Weird Al's. Contact: (312) 399-5535.

PASSION PUPPETS—Like Dust (3:32); producer: Roger Becherian; writers: Burmiston, Screene; publisher: Intersong, ASCAP; Stiff/MCA 52442. British quintet's debut single is half punky vigor, half "Rawhide" guitar quotes; the Stiff stable is renowned for its strong personalities.

its strong personalities.
PLATEAU—Hold You In My Arms Tonight (4:31); producers: Tyron Stanton, Euclyde Chisholm; writer: Tyron Stanton; publisher: Tragar, BMI; Adventure One AO-8401. (12-inch single). If the post-Prince/ Jackson scene is ready to forget about formats, may-be it can accept a fine six-man outfit from Alabama that sings r&b, plays heavy metal, and wears conspicuous clothing. Warmth, melody and musicianship to spare. Contact: (213) 731-2767.

# **News**

# Industry \_Events\_

conventions, award shows, seminars and other notable events. Send information to Industry Events, Billboard, 1515 Broadway, New York, New York 10036.

Aug. 23-25, Hawaii Cable Television Assn. annual convention. Intercontinental Hotel, Wailea, Maui.

Aug. 23-26, Jack The Rapper Family Affair, Radisson Inn, Atlanta.

Aug. 26-30, Video Software Dealers Assn. convention, MGM Grand,

Las Vegas. Aug. 27-30, Nebraska Videodisc Symposium, Nebraska Center for Continuing Education at the Univ. of Nebraska-Lincoln East Campus and the Cornhusker Hotel, Lincoln, Neb.

Aug. 30-Sept. 8, International Audio & Video Fair, Berlin.

Sept. 1-2, second annual Greene County Coal Miner's Jamboree, Jefferson, Pa.
Sept. 5-7, Second National Soft-

ware Show, Anaheim Convention Center, Anaheim, Calif.

Sept. 6-8, Southern Cable Television Assn. Eastern Show, Georgia World Congress Center, Atlanta.

Sept. 7-9, New York Guitar & Music Expo, Madison Square Garden Exposition Rotunda, New York.

Sept. 7-9, Kentucky Fried Chicken Bluegrass Music Festival, Riverfront Plaza/Belvedere, Louisville, Ky.

Sept. 9-13, Record Bar Convention, Marriott Hotel, Hilton Head,

Sept. 11, New York Market Radio Broadcasters Assn.'s eighthth annual Radio Festival, Sheraton Centre, N.Y. (212) 935-4477.

Sept. 16-18, National Religious Broadcasters Western Chapter Convention, Marriott Hotel, Los Angeles

Sept. 16-19, Radio Convention & Programming Conference, Bonaventure Hotel, Los Angeles.

Sept. 16-19. United Record Pool D.J.'s Convention, Caesars Palace, Las Vegas.

Sept. 16-23, Georgia Music Festival, Atlanta.

Sept. 17-18, third annual National Tape & Accessory Show, Harrah's, Atlantic City, N.J.

Sept. 17-19, Intelevent '84, Hotel Martinez Concorde, Cannes, France.

Sept. 20-23, sixth annual Black Music Assn. conference, Hyatt Regency Hotel, Washington.

Sept. 21-25, 10th International Broadcasting Convention, Metropole Conference & Exhibition Centre, Brighton, England.

#### **Record Factory:** 50/50 Ad Split

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think the combined print/radio campaign will show labels exactly what they can expect from the excellent exposure of that first week.

"Our volume indicates it's a good investment our part. By putting up half the money, we are letting manufacturers know we have faith in our future and the future of this industry," Tolifson says.

Accounts have been grumbling about eroding ad allowance dollars since the industry peaked in 1978. Tolifson and his ad director, Joyce Castagnola, agree that the co-op campaign has been receiving far more support than their demands for 100% payment by labels.

# **Black Artists Account For** Six Of Top 10 Albums

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This is particularly true with Richie, whose latest smash, "Stuck On You," is listed in the top 30 on four charts this week: It's No. 1 adult contemporary, number three pop, number 10 black and number 30 country.

The point is that today's top black artists thoroughly transcend that category and are among-indeed, arethe top artists in pop. Who's hotter than Richie, Prince or Michael Jackson?

And acts like Parker and the Pointers simply come up with hit af-ter hit that fit a wide variety of formats. As such, they have more in common with Huey Lewis & the News and Billy Joel, who also have a knack for turning out widely-playable hits, than with veteran r&b fig-

#### **U.S.-Japan Vid Music Venture**

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Earlier this year, JVC's Niwa noted the need for original programming "to solidify a rich selection of software for the firm's new VHD videodisk system." He pointed out the popularity of music titles among current VHD owners.

JVC is also the inventor of the VHS and VHS Hi-Fi systems. Programming exclusive to the VHS system can act as an additional promotion for that format over Sony's Beta format, the firm's primary competitor. Sony, which markets the Video 45 music titles, was also the first to launch a hi fi video format.

ures like James Brown and Wilson Pickett.

While black acts are dominating the top of the pop charts, it's by no means true that black acts have easy access to pop radio. Five of the 11 singles to reach No. 1 on Billboard's black chart since January failed to make much of any headway at pop radio: Patti LaBelle's "If Only You Knew," Cheryl Lynn's "Encore," Cameo's "She's Strange," Yarbrough & Peoples' "Don't Waste Your Time" and O'Bryan's "Lovelite." The other six, however, were

crossover smashes, reaching the first or second position on the pop chart: Kool & the Gang's "Joanna," Rock-well's "Somebody's Watching Me," Lionel Richie's "Hello," Deniece Williams' "Let's Hear It For The Boy," Prince's "When Doves Cry" and now "Ghostbusters."

The current inroads being made by black artists on the pop chart are probably due more to the fact that they're coming up with mass-appeal records that fit a variety of formats than to any real breaking down of barriers at non-black radio (though that, too, may be playing a part.)

Whatever the cause, it's good news for all except those who feel that true r&b is being neglected in this pop



# Video . Music Programming

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Nik Kershaw, "Won't Let The Sun Go," MCA
Kenny Loggins, "I'm Free," Columbia
Jeff Lynne, "Video," Virgin/Epic
Bob Marley, "One Love," Island
Hugh Masekela, "Don't Go Lose It," Arista
Ronnie Milsap, "She Loves My Car," RCA
Naked Eyes, "(What) In The Name Of," EMI America
Public Image Ltd., "Bad Life," Elektra
Ouen, "It's A Hard Life," Capitol Queen, "It's A Hard Life," Capitol
Rain Parade, "This Can't Be Today," Enigma Simple Minds, "Up On The Catwalk," A&M Southside Johnny & the Jukes, "New Romeo," Mirage Spirit, "I Got A Line On You," Mercury Split Enz, "Message To My Girl," A&M Roger Taylor, "Man On Fire," Capitol 3 O'Clock, "Jet Fighter," Frontier Roger Waters, "Every Stranger's Eyes," Columbia Ya Ya, "Don't Talk," Scotti Bros.

# **Bubbling Under The** Top LPs

201-BILLY SATELLITE, Billy Satellite,

Capitol ST-12340 202-BACHMAN-TURNER OVERDRIVE. Bachman-Turner Overdrive, Compleat CPL 1-101 (Polygram)
203-RAMSEY LEWIS/NANCY WILSON,

The Two Of Us, Columbia FC 39326

204-GEORGE HOWARD, Steppin' Out, TRA 201 (Palo Alto)

205-SOUNDTRACK, Bachelor Party, I.R.S. SP-70047 (A&M) 206-JULIO IGLESIAS, Hey, Columbia FC

207-SOUTHSIDE JOHNNY & THE JUKES.

In The Heat, Mirage 90186 (Atco) 208-ADRENALIN, American Heart, Roc-shire XR 9517 (MCA)

209-CHEQUERED PAST, Chequered Past,

210-PLACIDO DOMINGO, Lecuona Songs, Columbia FM 38828.

# **Bubbling Under The HOT 100**

101-YOUNG HEARTS, Commuter, Casablanca 880141-7 (Polygram) 102-CLOSE (TO THE EDIT), Art of Noise,

Island 7-99754 (Atco)

103-YOUR LOVE'S GOT A HOLD ON ME. Lillo, Capitol 5357

104-NEW ROMEO, Southside Johnny & The Jukes, Mirage 7-99732 (Atco) 105-OUTRAGEOUS, Lakeside, Solar 7-

106-YOU KEEP ME COMING BACK, The Brothers Johnson, A&M 2654

69716 (Elektra)

107-GO AHEAD AND RAIN, J.D. Souther,

Warner Bros. 7-29289 108-BABY, DON'T BREAK YOUR BABY'S HEART, Kashif, Arısta 1-9200

109-ICE CREAM CASTLES, The Time, Warner Bros. 7-29247

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110-PEARL IN THE SHELL, Howard Jones,

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# Lifelines

#### Births

Boy, Christopher Adam, to Dale and Nancy Crowhorn, Aug. 6 in Louisville. He is manager of Beethoven's House of Music there.

Girl, Alicia Nicole, to Mike and Ann Filbin, July 23 in Charleston, W. Va. He is a disk jockey in Charleston.

Girl, Lacey Michelle, to Kari and Rich Rohr, July 31 in Los Angeles. She is merchandising coordinator for A&M there.

Boy, Alan Chase, to Kendal Kucera and Barry Gordon, Aug. 3 in Los Angeles. She is advertising coordinator for A&M there.

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Boy, Devin Toler, to Craig and Sandra Woodard, Aug. 3 in Los Angeles. He is a&r vice president for RCN Entertainment there.

Girl, Lindsay Jill, to Gary and Joyce Culpepper, July 26 in Los Angeles. He is director of business affairs for Capitol there.

#### Deaths

Lenny Breau, 43, of unknown causes Aug. 12 in Los Angeles. He was widely regarded as being among the most technically accomplished and harmonically inventive of jazz

Percy Mayfield, 63, of a heart attack Aug. 11 in Los Angeles. An r&b singer/songwriter, his compositions included "Hit The Road, Jack" and "Please Send Me Someone To

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Bill Mounce, 67, of unknown causes Aug. 10 in Tulsa. At the time of his death, he was rehearsing for the Bob Wills & the Texas Playboys 50th anniversary concert there. He was a member of the Playboys in 1945-46.

Guenther Braeunlich, 58, of a heart attack Aug. 4 in Hamburg, Germany. He was public relations and promotion director for Teldec there. A founder of the German Phono Academie, Braeunlich was also organizer of the first German national song contest in the '60s. He is survived by his wife and two children.

# New Companies

Etta James Enterprises, formed to handle the artist's activities. P.O. Box 9903, North Hollywood, Calif. 91609; (213) 761-8635. \* \* \*

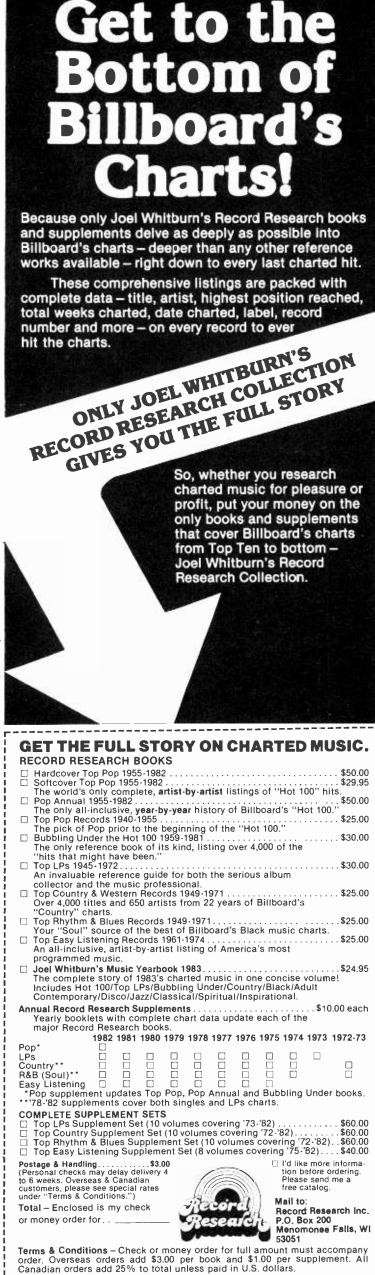
RRAM Management & Promotion, a concert promotion firm, formed by Ron DuVernet, Richard Peel and Mike Otto. Emphasis will be on r&b and top 40 acts in the Louisiana, Alabama and South Mississippi area. P.O. Box 4017, Gulfport, Miss. 39502; (601) 864-5809. \* \* \*

Rabid Music Co., a publishing firm, formed by Roger Jones, Timothy Corts and Edward Corts Jr. First release from the BMI affiliate is Montage's "Oblique Images." 5114 Evelyn Drive, Knoxville, Tenn. 37919; (615) 588-1531.

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CEN Group Inc., a communications company that disseminates entertainment information to college students across the country, formed by Rich Weinblatt. The company's three divisions are College Entertainment News, CEN News Service and the CEN Broadcasting Network. 320 Central Park West, #4A, New York, N.Y. 10025; (212) 595-9497.

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# News

# **Publishers Warn On Import Sale**

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in licensing record companies and collecting mechanical royalties, made its first overt move in the import area early last spring. At that time it focused its attention on import specialists and secured a settlement from at least one major marketer of budget imported cassettes, Damil Productions (Billboard, May 12).

Music publishers have voiced increasing concern over the growing numbers of recordings brought into the country from abroad and sold here without any accounting to domestic copyright owners. The fact that these recordings are legally manufactured in overseas territories and satisfy local mechanical license requirements is not the issue. The publishers have taken the position that mechanical royalties are due in the

country of sale, not the country of manufacture.

The problem is aggravated by the concentration of some importers on budget cassette recordings that return small royalties to foreign subpublishers and even less to domestic licensors once the revenues are translated into dollars from depressed currencies.

Last week's letters from the Fox Agency also contain excerpts from a federal court decision some months ago favoring CBS in a copyright infringement suit against Scorpio Music Distributors. In that decision, the court held that distributors of imported records cannot seek shelter under the First Sale Doctrine if they acquired infringing product from other entrepreneurs. The letters cite Paragraph 602 of the Copyright Act

and detail the exclusive rights of the publisher of the underlying music to authorize the manufacture and sale of recordings.

It is known that executives of the Fox Agency, including Sal Chiantia, the chairman of its parent organization, the National Music Publishers Assn., have had discussions with foreign rights societies in an attempt to ameliorate the problem. However, as far as is known, no firm solution has yet been arrived at.

The problem on the licensing end is compounded by regulations of the Common Market countries in Europe simplifying transshipping from nation to nation. Another complicating factor is the status of some subpublisher agreements which fail to limit in specific terms mechanical license rights to sell recordings only in the market of manufacture.

# CD Hardware Firms' Ad Drive

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that CD is the way to go. Once that's done, we devote the rest of the ad to convincing the consumer that the Technics CD player is the one he or she should buy."

MTV will also figure into promoting the SLP-8 in another fashion, says Foschino, one aimed specifically at the Christmas buying season. The CD player will be incorporated into MTV's annual Christmas "Ultimate Media Room" giveaway, which offers a system made up of Technics audio and Panasonic video products.

On the retail level, Technics is planning a joint effort with WEA, wherein the hardware firm will make CD players available to WEA software distributors at a "very discounted price" for us in in-store demonstrations.

"We've also discussed packaging software discount coupons with our units," says Foschino. "But so far no agreement has been reached."

Sony Consumer Audio is also gearing up for a major push, with a number of diverse programs in the works. According to Marc Finer, product communications manager for Sony Consumer Audio, one such program will involve an MTV promotion set to take off in September, which will be a joint effort between Sony, Poly-Gram and WEA. Finer describes the campaign as "a cross-promotion between Sony, the software manufacturers and hardware and software retailers," but declines to give details at this time.

"We're also the exclusive hardware manufacturer sponsor of the Rolling Stone magazine college audio exhibition, which will open Sept. 5 and run through the spring, involving 25 colleges nationwide," says Finer. "We'll be going on campus to present audio/visual demonstrations on the Compact Disc to the students, and we'll also have a product display and people on hand to answer questions."

Finer says that the audio/visual presentation Sony plans has been put together in conjunction with CBS, PolyGram and WEA as well as Bose Corp. He adds that the concept will be carried further than the college circuit: Sony plans to use the demos at key merchandising shows throughout the country, such as the upcoming Newmark & Lewis electronics show, where they will be shown to hardware dealers.

Other promotional campaigns for Sony include a "media support package" to highlight the introduction of the company's car CD player, and a "press event" to mark the opening of the CBS/Sony CD manufacturing plant in Terre Haute, Ind.

"We'll also be initiating a program called the 'Sony CD Partnership,' aimed at consumers who already own Sony CD hardware," says Finer. "This will be a three-point program which will offer ongoing CD clinics, discounts on special CD accessories and the opportunity for owners to extend their warranties."

Magnavox is not planning promotional projects on the scale of either Sony or Technics. But according to Stan Veltkamp, the company's vice president for audio sales, the firm will be initiating a "large-scale print advertising campaign" this September based on what Magnavox terms its "Total Awareness Campaign."

"We'll be placing ads in all of the top 30 or 40 national consumer magazines, including Time and Newsweek," says Veltkamp. "The theme will be 'Magnavox... America's best-kept secret,' which tries to get across the fact that we are much more than just color televisions."

Veltkamp says the print ads will depict a Magnavox CD player incorporated into a total Magnavox rack audio system, and will highlight the benefits of CD. He also says that the company has in the works "a pretty extensive promotional campaign" that will involve retailers and software manufacturers, but declines to discuss details.

"We're basically trying out a laundry list of ideas at this time," he says. "We're testing several different ways

of merchandising our players."

One manufacturer not planning any extra promotional effort this fall is Mitsubishi. Says Jeff Harris, a product specialist for that firm: "We feel the bottom line for increased sales is price. In keeping with that, we're introducing two models for shipping in late September: the DP-105, which is a programmable player priced between \$400 and \$450, and the DP-205, which is both programmable and wireless remote-operated at a price point between \$500 and \$550"

Most hardware manufacturers indicate that they are open to cooperating with the Compact Disc Group's own promotional plans, which include putting out a catalog of all CD software titles available as of the end of 1984, and making the list available to hardware dealers, as well as CD awareness programs aimed at both the retail and consumer level. Mitsubishi, on the other hand, remains indifferent.

"We're a member of the CDG," says Harris, "but I feel that the group has little direction as far as what they are trying to accomplish. They keep trying to come up with a program that will appeal to both hardware and software dealers and manufacturers, and I think never the twain shall meet."

Other manufacturers, on the other hand, seem to feel that very joining may be a key element in achieving the kind of sales penetration they are all hoping for.

# **Elektra To Sign With MTV**

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for them. They present music video in a way that's appealing and shows that they understand our business. The success of a video clip is related to what plays before and after it."

Elektra is also on the verge of another video project: the creation of an Elektra home video imprint. The first release, to be distributed by Warner Home Video next month, is a long-form video by the Cars (Billboard, Aug. 11). Krasnow adds that a Nonesuch home video imprint is also in the works, and that Elektra's commitment to home video will grow "as fast as we can raise the money and get concepts.

"Producing a video is no different than producing a record," adds Krasnow. "Except you're buying a concept instead of a song."

Saying that "rental could be very viable" for Elektra's over-thecounter videos, Krasnow also maintains that sale price is an important point. "I feel we have to get the price down into the teens," he says.

Also on the horizon for the New York-based label is the opening of a London office, slated for Jan. 1. "We have not really gone after the international market," Krasnow concedes. "Now that we're on a firm footing here, we want to go after the U.K. and Europe.

"This is not to preempt the WEA Group, but to enhance our portion of WEA overseas. You have to have someone talking on your behalf who understands acts that will sell both there and in America."

Krasnow sees a&r as the primary purpose of the London office. The company is also shoring up its a&r staff in the U.S., with Howard Thompson joining the label as vice president of a&r East Coast, and Tom Zutaut promoted to vice president of a&r West Coast. Teresa Ensenat has also joined the company as an a&r representative in Elektra's Los Angeles office.



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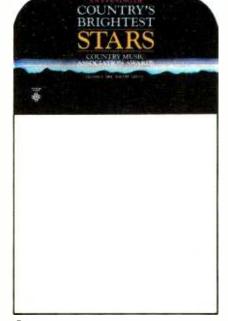
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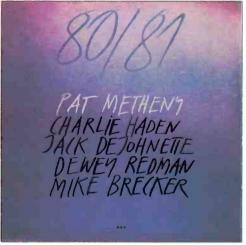
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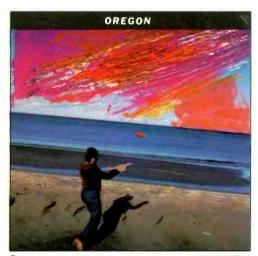
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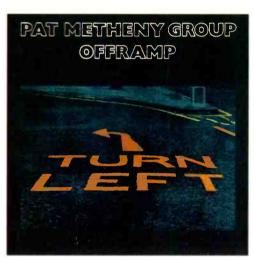
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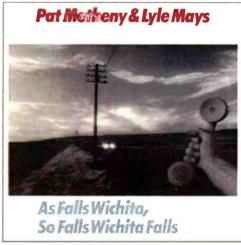
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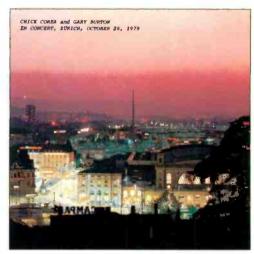
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**News** 

## Folk Music Scene Holds Its Own Healthy Album Output, Fest Activity Keep Music Alive

By ANNE LEIGHTON

NEW YORK—The folk scene today is, if not in the midst of a full-fledged revival, at least strongly holding its own. In fact, more folk albums are being released now than during the late '50s and early '60s, when folk generated far greater media interest.

"It used to be a big thing when the Weavers, Woody Guthrie or Burl Ives released a record. Now I get 40 records a week," says Oscar Brand, a public radio announcer who also records for Biograph Records.

And the releases aren't confined to such long-standing folk labels as Folkways, Rounder, Vanguard and Shanachie. Major labels are also delving into folk. Lenny Kaye, for example, is repackaging Elektra's folk catalog into anthologies for fall releases.

Several top acts are also integrating folk into their styles. R.E.M. and Icicle Works specialize in a folk-rock sound, while Dan Fogelberg is recording a bluegrass album as his followup to "Windows And Walls." Other folk-influenced acts include Warner Bros.' Roches and RCA's acoustic mother-daughter country

act, the Judds.

Part of the reason for the reported health of the folk scene is a broadening of the traditional definition of folk. Bob Porter of the National Academy of Recording Arts & Sciences notes: "Reggae is folk, as is Grammy winner's Clifton Chenier's zydeco music." And Tom Intondi, a member of the distribution cooperative Up For Grabs, hears "folk combining with reggae, rock and jazz."

Some folk music experts have reservations about mainstream attention. Mark Moss, editor of Sing Out!, a top folk periodical, is especially wary.

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"When the music industry last looked for trends in folk music," he says, "it resulted in crass commercialism and some of the worst music ever to go by the name of folk—the Highwaymen and the New Christy Minstrels."

Cowboy music expert Bob Bovee is more diplomatic, but shares Moss' basic view. "The most important ingredient in folk is honesty, without so much polish it becomes plastic," he says. "There has to be a refusal to sell out to popular tastes and demands."

Folk experts disagree as to the role

that '60s folk fans are playing in the current folk scene. M. Allan Shaw, owner of the mail order company Kingston Korner, says these older demographics are important. "The young fans of the '50s and '60s are reaching middle age and looking back," he says.

But such leading Greenwich Village attractions as Jack Hardy and the Washington Squares feel the current folk scene isn't just the '60s revisited. "The songs aren't so clearcut, so simple," Hardy observes. "Folk mirrors society."

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And Tom Goodkind, leader of the Washington Squares, notes: "What's different now is ex-new wave musicians being involved. Anytime there is a cutback in civil liberties, there tends to be a folk revival."

There are many indications of a widening interest in folk music. A recent R.E.M. concert with John Sebastian and Richie Havens was taped for broadcast on MTV. A contemporary folk music show, "Deja Vu," being consulted by Pete Fornatale of WNEW-FM New York, is set to debut on cable in January. And films about folk are widely available on videotape, including Jim Brown's "The Weavers: Wasn't That A Time" and Les Blank's documentaries.

This interest extends to specialized radio formats. Public radio devotes attention to folk artists and events with the "Prairie Home Companion" and "Sing Out!" shows. Continum Broadcasting's "Don & Deanna On Bleecker Street: The Sixties" is played on public, educational and commercial oldies stations.

Classical station WQXR New York devotes an hour to "Woody's Children" broadcasts each week. WFMT Chicago is another classical outlet that programs folk.

Assistance in preparing this article provided by Paul Grein.

The folk scene is also sparked by several major festivals, including the annual New York City Folk Festival, whose current run ended Sunday (19). The 11-day Kerrville (Tex.) Folk Festival, with a \$50 admission, featured such top folk names as Carolyn Hester, Odetta and Townes Van Zandt. Cincinnati hosts the annual Appalachian Festival, which features music, storytelling, dancing, traditional crafts and foods.

The live folk scene is also centered at such clubs as McCabe's in Santa Monica, Calif. and Folk City in New York. Folk City is due to celebrate its 25th annniversary this fall with a Madison Square Garden concert starring big names who started at the club. Club owner Robby Woliver claims he has Bob Dylan, Judy Collins and Peter, Paul & Mary set for the show.

Folkways and Rounder are the largest labels in folk music. Folkways, which started by recording Woody Guthrie, has developed a catalog of 2,000 records. Rounder began as a hippie commune in the late '60s and has a catalog exceeding 1,000 records.

Other top folk labels include Shanachie, which specializes in such Irish artists as the Chieftans, whose Paddy Moloney contributed to Paul McCartney's "Tug Of War" album.

Protest continues to be a major component of folk music, especially in the music of women's movement singers. Olivia's Meg Christian and Redwood's Holly Near are two of this music's most popular attractions.

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DOG DAY AFTERNOON—RCA executives welcome newly signed Canadian artist Gary O' to the label while discussing his label debut album "Strange Behavior." Pictured with Nipper from left are branch marketing/national accounts director Peter Jones, national album promotion director Alan Wolmark, Gary O', U.S.A. and Canada division vice president John Ford, and a&r division vice president Gregg Geller.

## Rockamerica Panelists Say Video Clubs Steal Material

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that his firm has been moving into the ambient video business as well, with a library of about 70 hours worth of programming.

Charges for the VPI programming are \$200 per hour for half-inch video-cassettes and \$250 for three-quarter-inch. VPI's footage is also divided thematically, into such categories as "Beefsteak Brigade."

"Beefsteak Brigade."
Telegenics, Rockamerica's chief competitor, has also moved into the ambient video business, contracting with Zoom Video for its footage.

All of those working at the club level at the panel said they were glad the footage was available, but felt that until heavy enforcement of anti-

#### Rightsong Music In Ratt Publishing Deal

NEW YORK—Ratt, the Atlantic label's hot rock act, has signed a copublishing deal for the U.S. and Canada with Rightsong Music, a BMI affiliate of Chappell/Intersong Music Group.

The group's self-penned songs are published by Ratt Music and Time Coast Music. "Round And Round," Ratt's top 10 single, is marketed in single sheet form by Hal Leonard, exclusive print distributor for Chappell/Intersong.

piracy laws begins it is doubtful any firms will be able to pry payment loose from nightclubs for ambient footage. Stealing the footage is just too easy and too much cheaper, they maintained.

One panelist did comment that one of the kinds of video that excited his audience the most was simply aiming a camera at the audience and letting the dancers watch themselves move. "People love to watch themselves dance," he said.

At the same time that the club panelists were looking for good video to play with their music, they were complaining that the clips they did use have poor sound quality. "Sound for video is a very long, painful story," said Francis Milano, president of Analogique, a sound consulting firm.

Many of the duplication firms the networks use are accustomed to making cassettes for use on network television, where audio quality doesn't matter as much, and this fact is reflected in the low audio quality of the video masters they produce, he said.

Adding to the problem, he said, is that the audio quality on the standard VHS VCRs that many clubs use is "just that of a Walkman," and a poorly kept one at that. Standard VHS audio is "worse than a badly maintained cassette machine," Milano said, making the bad audio that comes off the masters sound even worse at many venues.

#### **ELECTION RESULTS**

# **New Chicago NARAS Officers**

CHICAGO—The Chicago chapter of the National Academy of Recording Arts & Sciences (NARAS) has elected officers and governors for the 1984-85 year.

New officers include president Robin McBride of Bird Productions; first vice president Marty Feldman, owner of Paragon Studios, who is also to serve as Chicago's representative on the national tv committee; second vice president Linda Mensch of the recently formed entertainment law firm Linda S. Mensch & Associates; third vice president Jay B. Ross, of Ross & Associates; secretary Chuck Thomas of MasterSource Productions; and treasurer Hank Neuberger, chief engineer of Chicago Recording Co. studios (CRC).

National NARAS representatives from Chicago include national vice president Mensch, national trustee Feldman, first alternate trustee Wilbur Jun Mhoon of Private I Records, and third alternate trustee Bruce Iglauer, president of Alligator Records.

Appointees to the board of governors include Feldman, Paul Kelly of KBA Enterprises, gospel artist Albertina Walker, and Irv Michaels of Kessler Orlean Silver & Co. New board members are WLS radio jock Tommy Edwards, children's album artist Fred Koch, Wilbur Jun Mhoon and St. Louis Symphony director Leonard Slatkin.

Members reelected to a two-year board term are producer/arranger Tom "Tom Tom 84" Washington, Chuck Thomas, Ron Kaplan, Linda Mensch, Jim Stella, Bruce Iglauer and Larry Huerta.



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# DJ Pool Dances Its Way Into Midwest Nightclubs

By MOIRA McCORMICK

CHICAGO—A Minneapolisbased dance record pool has circumvented a lack of major-label promotional product by acting as a wholesale buying service for its two dozen club accounts.

According to founder Brad Theissen of the 18-month-old Twin Cities Nightclub DJs Assn. (TCNDJA), "Our pool exists to serve several dozen-clubs in the Midwest which, for a host of reasons, don't have a chance at getting the few promo pieces that filter their way into this market. We're active in sales as well as promotion."

For a monthly rental fee, which Theissen says "goes no higher than \$25," TCNDJA provides accounts with all new hit product. Average expenditure per account runs about \$75 per month for 25-30 pieces, he says.

TCNDJA has established working relationships with several Twin Cities

#### 'Music History' Spots Set For 100 TV Stations

NEW YORK—RCA Records introduced the first 33½ LP on Sept. 17, 1931. On this date in 1984, "Today In Music History" will begin broadcasting its 30-second television spots of such bits of music trivia.

About 100 independent stations across the U.S. will carry the documentary-style program inserts. Each describes events of importance throughout the music industry that occurred on that day. The format is similar to "This Day In Sports."

Produced by Man In The Moon Productions, "Today In Music History" will draw from many sources, including Billboard charts, "Who's Who In Rock Music," photos from Rolling Stone and rare live footage from the archives of collector/researcher James Karnbach.

"Today In Music History" is distributed by Select Media, New York, and is expected to reach an audience of 30 to 40 million. A similar program focusing solely on rock music is scheduled for January release.

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record retailers, including Castro St., Electric Fetus and Northern Lights, says Theissen, adding that record orders for the pool "ride along" with those of the retailers to national wholesalers and mail-order houses. The record pool also deals directly

with the Electric Fetus one-stop.
"Part of my working relationship with the retail stores is to help them move product," says Theissen. "We keep the retail stores advised as to what's hot on the dance floor and what's not doing so well, for instance, which helps them determine their inventory."

TCNDJA's two dozen accounts are spread from Minnesota and the Dakotas down through Louisiana, with the strongest concentration of clubs in Illinois, says Theissen. Most are located in college markets.

Theissen points out that the bulk of his accounts "are on the geographical fringes of the territories that are serviced by the big record pools." His experience in two previous pools, he says, had led to the observation that these were important clubs and were being overlooked.

"A major label would provide, say, 30 promotional copies of a record, and pools would be the last recipients on its list," he explains. "But most pools have 50-some members on their own. They'd have to make sure their biggest accounts got the promo material first, which left accounts like ours with practically nothing."

Since the advent of Theissen's pool, however, "these clubs are now getting all the hits, imports, everything," he says. The pool's client roster, he adds, doubled its size during the first year of operation.

Theissen says the pool has also begun servicing certain accounts with music video, functioning as subdistributor to a large Midwest video pool.

Although Theissen notes that his pool's methods of operation have meant that it "hasn't been greeted warmly by many record labels," he insists, "We have pumped significant dollars directly into the industry, since we purchase our records for resale."

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#### 'GOOD TIME TO DO NOTHING'

# ATV's Trust Counsels Caution, Not Optimism

By SAM SUTHERLAND

LOS ANGELES—To Sam Trust, president of the ATV Music Group, current music industry trends inspire caution, not self-congratulation.

"I think this is a wonderful time to do nothing," Trust caustically observes. "I think those people who are out spending, trying to cash in on new technology, will get their fingers burned."

For Trust, the brave new world of cable and pay tv, prerecorded home video software and such newer potential music usages as computer software carry potential risks as well as possible new income.

Music video, the most widely touted component of the revitalized market for record and tape sales, has yet to prove its ultimate role, in Trust's view. "I acknowledge the contribution that MTV has made to the business of music," he says. "But like a new drug that seems promising, we still don't know what the longterm effects will be."

Trust is among those who question whether music video's marketing sizzle may be at the expense of a song's artistic and commercial durability. "I think the value of a song for most listeners rests with the individual concept that each listener can bring to that song," he contends. "What happens if you paint that song on their eyes—if you dictate that concept?

"When you influence an industry to think that the only way you'll get a hit is to hit the public over the head with it, it will be like a wonder drug: Its effect will ultimately be shorterlived." Trust says he worries that while video clips may help break new songs more rapidly, the longterm catalog value of a copyright—the traditional benchmark for a valuable copyright—may be undermined.

Apart from the still unresolved issue of how to structure profit participation in future music video programs, music video also strikes the veteran music publisher as an open question for career development. And, on that topic, he's at least as critical of the general thrust in music publishing today.

"Publishers who see declining revenues from recordings and print music are now jumping into the area of background rights," he notes, alluding to the recent spate of new deals linking established music publishers with television and film production entities.

"I'm not saying they're wrong. We don't have the money to get into that

ball game anyway. But it's an area I consider banking publishing, where you get a huge advance and receive a small percentage to generate cash."

That such a development may endanger full-service publishing operations is reinforced, in Trust's view, by the proliferation of "pocket administrative companies" which enable songwriters and composers to retain greater ownership, but may in fact represent a step backward in terms of longterm benefit. "None of them are doing anything creative, exciting or positively exploitative for their clients."

Yet another new avenue for copyright exploitation posing mixed blessings for Trust is computer usage. With the explosion in microcomputer usage in the home and office, Trust worries that publishers may not protect their interests adquately.

"There are computer systems using the screen as a graphic display for musical material," he notes. "There's a question as to whether that application is a print or mechanical one, because the information only appears on the screen for an instant."

Not all of the problems facing publishers are tied to new technology, however. Trust candidly assesses the print music field as troubled: "Folios aren't selling even a fraction of what they were five years ago. But one thing that's still healthy is that a good song can still go on to sell handsomely."

He hints that the drop in print sales potential for many current hits may reflect a market where style and production can mask weak material. "The one stable area throughout all of this is country music," he asserts, "because country is still about songs, first and foremost. The longest-lived country stars, in terms of their commercial acceptance, are still there because they can pick good songs."

Thus, Trust says he's "watching and waiting to see what develops," a posture reinforced by the long shadow of the Buffalo Broadcasting antiblanket licensing decision, which he says "has set such a crimp in this industry that even a favorable decision will be a setback at this point."

An ominous side effect of that conflict, he adds, is the recent emergence of new background music firms offering "cheap, license-free copyrights ... All it's done is lower the quality of music."



THE RUSSELL HUSTLE—ASCAP executives welcome Leon Russell to the Society while previewing videos from his latest album "Solid State" at a party in New York. Seated at the piano from left are associate ASCAP director Merlin Littlefield, Russell and ASCAP membership rep Bob Doyle. Standing behind them are Richard Perna, left, of Russell's publishing company, and Russell's manager Bobby Roberts.

# **InsideTrack**

Country Success: J. Ross Felton, VP of Price Broadcasting, is eyeing more supercountry jamborees after he staggered the industry with 57,000 ticket-buyers for his eighth annual Jamboree In The Hills, July 14-15. The al fresco country summit, priced at \$40 for the two days or \$25 per, had 13 major names, all literally headliners (Billboard, July 28). Price, which operates WWVA Wheeling, the country citadel for four decades, holds the supershows at St. Clairsville, Ohio, near Wheeling. Felton hopes to stage similar extravaganzas around the country in 1985.

Speaking of country, Track conversed with one-time Fred Foster associate, Bob Beckham, laboring in his 19th year as Combine Music chief. Beckham confirms that several parties, including the Welk Music Group, are in the bidding. He refutes rumors that the Federal District Bankruptcy Court in Nashville, where Foster's personal bankruptcy petition is pending, has ordered any liquidation of Combine assets . . . Good News: Stan Lewis, who's been over some bumpy fiscal roads, shows good comeback signs with forthcoming single and album releases by the likes of Leomie Boyd, Artie (Bluesboy) White, John Lee Hooker, Mickey Gilley, B.B. King and Willie Nelson on his Shreveport-based family of labels.

New estimates have consumer electronics retailers accounting for \$20 billion of the \$29 billion in U.S. sales projected for 1984. Radio Shack's \$3 billion paces the field, with Sears second at \$2 billion . . . . While we're on Sears, the giant's giant mail order catalog for fall/winter has the CD player reduced \$100 to \$499.99. We suspect it's a better quality player, too. The catalog legend describes features like "memory, clear and 16 program keys that allow you to make 16 selections, front-mounted LED display indicates selections being played." Unit has the same dimensions and weight as the one offered in the prior tone.

Getting back to consumer electronics estimates, computer specialty stores maintain a substantial lead in moving computer software. Software specialists and mass merchandisers emerging as the new challengers... Track mislabeled Video Theater Inc., the kiosk-for-malls concept, as "Record Theatre" last issue... Readers inquired why the FBI might be interested in the alleged embezzlement involvement (Billboard, Aug. 11). The contention of Hughes Aircraft involves siphoning funds from an employees' benefit division of the firm, the medical benefits wing, to Rocshire Records, Such charges can be scrutinized by a federal agency under the Employee Relevant Income & Security Act, which places such suspected embezzlement into the realm of federal surveillance.

To avoid confusion, Family Home Entertainment has changed its overall monicker to International Video Entertainment. Thus, it will continue its new Family Home label for one of its division, and the IVE name will hover over the likes of Monterey Home Video and USA Home Video ... RCA Records reported to have shelled out more than \$160,000 for Rick Springfield's video clip, "Bop 'Til You Drop." Fee was stiff because the production was staffed with Lucasfilm Ltd. fulltimers on hiatus.

Jamar Records, just releasing "Bite It," by Drum, a

Jamar Records, just releasing "Bite It," by Drum, a Hartford, Conn. black music group, is Marshall Chess back again. He's operating from his manse in Phoenicia, N.Y. Label's named after his three-year-old son... The expensive foldout the Columbia Record & Tape Club put in last week's TV Guide offers any 11 selections from over

250 album titles for one cent if you buy four selections each of the next three years at regular price . . . Navarre Distributing, the Crystal, Minn. operation of Eric Paulson, is now racking the 39 Bell catalog showrooms with computer software and CDs and racking computer software for the 50 Shopko mass merchandise outlets out of Green Bay, Wisc. . . Capitol acquired the music from "Teachers," an MGM/UA flick produced by one-time rock palace manager/personal manager Aaron Russo. Package set for Sept. 21 release has ZZ Top, Bob Seger, the Motels, Night Ranger, Freddie Mercury, .38 Special Joe Cocker, Ian Hunter, Roman Holliday and Eric Martin & Friends.

Tommy Silverman, taking a page from the Ertegun brothers, opened his own recording studio in his Upper East Side Gotham City home . . . Gossips say Manhattan is the name of new Capitol/EMI New York-based label headed by Bruce Lundvall . . . Artist manager John Apostles is coming next month with Phoenix Records, with Alpha Distributing, New York, handling nationally. First release is Gary Bonds' "Standing In The Line Of Fire," produced by Steve Van Zandt. For Bonds buffs: The sleeve on Bruce Springsteen's "Cover Me" single shows The Boss on the hood of a '64 Chevy Impala convertible, a gift from Bonds for Springsteen's production on his last two albums . . . Track has found out that when Montgomery Ward shucked its record departments, United Records & Tapes had 19 departments and Handleman approximately 300 departments.

Watch for a great new act from Rick James. It's Process & The Doo-Rags, a black combo he found in his native Buffalo and recorded in his studio home there

... Mike Lewis, the Peaches manager in the Tommy Heiman days, has just petitioned for personal bankruptcy in Macon, Ga., where he operates one Dreamboat Annie's store. He expects a bailout from an interested local business bigwig... Track's mad at Lennie Silver. The Buffalo Baron neglected to send an invite to his annual picnic Aug. 19, and we never got the gold key to his new Phoenix hideaway... Pace Univ. of New York City has named Marv Wolfberg, PolyGram U.S. treasurer, an instructor in a course in managerial accounting this coming semester.

Dave Brubeck just penned the soundtrack from an Agatha Christie flick, "Ordeal By Innocence," starring Donald Sutherland and the delectable Faye Dunaway... If you dig a new Palos Verdes rock group, By Popular Demand, and you think the female singer looks familiar, it's because she's Kristie Noonan, daughter of Billboard's Tom . . . Guys like Bill Biggs, WEA's Atlanta branch manager, and some of his crew won't show up until late at the Record Bar's Hilton Head convention, it's because WEA's Henry Droz is putting on his annual corral of the key WEA personnel in Phoenix Sept. 8-11 ... ASCAP staging an Oct. 27 session on "Burning Issues Of The Copyright Controversy" at the UCLA Extension. The program, which will include SAG President Ed Asner, Naomi Gurian of the Writers' Guild of America, attorney Jay Cooper and songwriter Tom Snow, runs all day and costs \$15. Call (213) 825-9064 for details Even though Bill Spitalsky left Spring Records after 15 years, he'll be back in the industry working the indie promo scene in the Apple.

Edited by JOHN SIPPEL

# Sound Shop Chain Readies Computer Ordering

By JOHN SIPPEL

LOS ANGELES—The 46 Sound Shops plan to order albums, singles and accessories from their Central South Music Sales base in Nashville through on-line computer terminals.

The Sound Shops' electronic ordering approach, due for implementation Oct. 1, differs from that introduced almost two years ago by Dave Burke and Terry Cooper of the Midwest Recordland chain, where stores wand specially-prepared individually bar-coded tear tags as purchases are made.

Each Sound Shop will have a Victor computer terminal and keyboard, on which store managers, will type essential information from specially prepared tear-tags on goods for which the manager requires replenishment. In both the Recordland and Sound Shop systems, data is accumulated during the work day, with the home computer calling during the night to pick up individual store data.

Central South's Randy Davidson started researching electronic trans-

mission systems 18 months ago with his in-house programmer, John Lones

Sound Shops will locate computers upfront near the registers, so the persons making the sale or the managers have easy access to the keyboard. Essential coded information from the tear-tag is keyed into the computer, where it is stored for nightly transmission to the Qantel home-base computer.

The store computer then automatically alphabetizes and puts the items for replenishment in numerical order and individually lists the four key types of merchandise: LPs, singles, cassettes and accessories. When the store order has been received by Nashville, the Qantel informs the individual store of its backorder that same evening.

Davidson emphasizes that his reorder system places responsibility for the number of units for replenishment with the store manager. "Our home office-generated tear tags provide recent sales information, showing the date and units in the store's last reorder. To safeguard the accuracy of the order, when the label and number of the item are typed, the computer automatically registers the artist's name and album or single title."

Each morning when the Central South warehouse crew arrives, each store's computer-generated tear-tags for mounting on merchandise from the warehouse await them. The warehouse carries 55,000 different items from among the LP, cassette, single and accessories inventoried there.

Central South's buyers are assisted each morning by receiving computer-printed sheets showing lists of product on backorder. Central South's one-stop customers, too, are notified immediately of numbers out of stock as operators take their orders.

The first Sound Shop went on line May 1. There are now 30 of the 46 stores on line. The electronic concept will link stores as distant as Nacogdoches, Tex. to the west, Stewart, Fla. to the south and Bedford, Ind. to the north with Nashville.



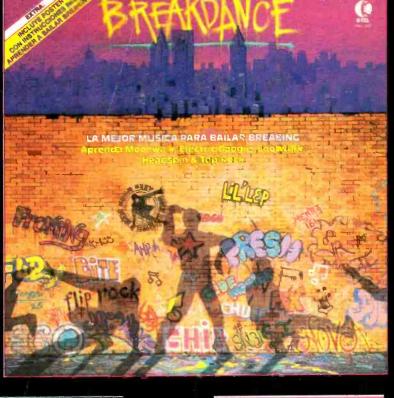
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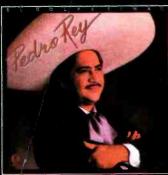
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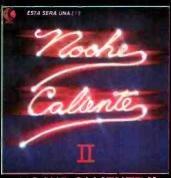
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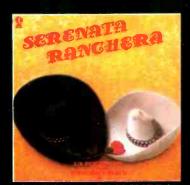
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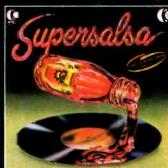
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