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Jimmy Dean on Palladium TV bill next month



JIMMY DEAN

Rydell 'Down Under'

BOBBY RYDELL and Chubby Checker left New York last week for a three-week tour of Australia, after which Checker will return to the States to continue his tour. Both men will visit the Continent.

Rydell is due to arrive here on February 19, followed by "Sunday Night at the London Palladium" on February 11.

American disc star Jimmy Dean, who scored a hit on both sides of the Atlantic with his Country and Western record "Big Bad John," is to visit Britain next month for a date on TV's top variety show, "Sunday Night At The London Palladium," on February 25. On the same bill will be trad star Acker Bilk, and the show will be headlined by Helen Shapiro.

Hymie Zahl of Fosters Agency, which is bringing over Dean, told DISC that the American will visit Britain the one, and that at present the Palladium date was the only one fixed. DISC said that there is a possibility of further engagements being lined up for Dean.

Also booked for a Palladium show is Pat Boone, who is due to arrive in the country tomorrow (Thursday). He heads the bill this Sunday.

Other Palladium bookings announced or confirmed are Buddy Greco (February 4) and Bobby Rydell (11).

Mathis is ill

WINNIE, ill health caused by a cold, has had to cancel his scheduled Copacabana date in February.

The rescheduled top of the bill will be taken by Dick Haymes and his wife.

ALLISONS ON TOUR

THE Allisons started their first tour of one-nighters round the border yesterday, and will continue it throughout the month. They play the Royal Hotel, Edinburgh, on Saturday, followed by St. Ninian's Ballroom, Nairn, Dundee (20), Beech Ballroom, Aberdeen (21), Barrowland Ballroom, Glasgow (22), City Hall, Peterhead (23), J & K Ballroom, Dundee (24), an unfixed venue, Gourock (26), and the Com-

munity Centre, Auchincleek (27). On January 30 they are back down south for a guest date at the ABC, "TV's a girl's rendezvous."

Throughout the tour and in between dates they will be playing "Lessons in Love," the song from the Cliff Richard musical "The Young Ones." This is the title song of their latest EMI single.

The flip is one of their own compositions. "Oh My Love" and the hacking is directed by Scotsman Johnny Keating.

Silver Disc for Sandy Nelson

SANDY NELSON's exciting arrangement of "Let There Be Drums," his second hit in Britain, but his first for the London label, has won the American musician a Silver Disc.

Nelson has his first hit here in 1959 with "Teen Beat" on the Top Rank label.

As with "Teen Beat," the new single was virtually one long drum solo. He has been trying to follow this up ever since, but until he changed disc labels, during the middle of last year, this has met with any further success.

"Let There Be Drums" entered the Top 20 on December 4 and rose solidly, hitting number two last week.

Fans 'attack' Shane

SHANE FENTON had to be rescued by the police after a concert at Birmingham last Saturday night, fans refusing to allow him to leave the theatre.

The trouble began after an encore when Shane tried to leave the stage. He was involved in a struggle with the fans in which his trousers were ripped and he lost his shoes.

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FRANKIE VAUGHAN has recorded one of his own compositions—a twist—as a follow-up to his number one chart hit "Don't Stop, Twist." The song is called "Don't Stop, Twist," and it was recorded last Friday in Philadelphia.

Philips are rushing the disc for release on January 26.

Shapiro for variety seasons

HELLEN SHAPIRO is to do two variety shows each week each in the spring. She will open at the Gramada, Shrewsbury, on March 19 for seven days, and at the Gladys, Glasgow, on April 9 for a similar period.

Supporting her at Shrewsbury will be the Morrissey company, The Four Jays, the Dale Sisters and the Red Price band.

The Glasgow bill will be slightly different, with the Gladys Mormon contingent and The Four Jays being replaced with acts yet to be named.

THE ALLISONS, now on a tour of Scotland, will be shown in concert later this month about "Lessons in Love" as they take them too !



THE ALLISONS

LESSONS IN LOVE

[From 'The Young Ones']

% OH MY LOVE

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British stars best —rubbish!

PRIZE LETTER

I AM sick and tired of the I AM shouting about British stars because that American Let's face facts, we're here for all. In the charts, Elvis tops Cliff, the Brothers Brothers top the Brothers Brothers, and so on. So, by Floyd Cramer, Bert Weedon by Danace Edd.

There are stars like Ray Charles, Jim Reeves and Shellye Bennett, each leading his own field, and no Britisher ever in the running.

Let's leave our stars to their own countrymen. Let's help our home-grown. The trade men have done all right without me—M. T. EDWARDS, 11, Endbury Road, Bishop, Leicestershire.

NOT NEW

WITH reference to your article "A little I could add" I would like to point out that this is NOT a new idea. For nearly 20 years a small independent company issued singer Gary Mills' discs in special colours. See "TERRY KING ENTERTAINMENTS LTD., 17 South Molton Street, London, W.I."

GIRL-LIKE

I HAVE just heard Carol Deene's new disc, "Normal." Although this is another Thompsons cover, I hope that

with Carol's frequent TV appearances recently, it will make the charts.

The songs are simple and the backing could be called old fashioned, but how nice it would be to hear a girl singer who sounds like a kid again. —ROBERT BOWMAN, 238 Walsham Road, Perry Barr, Birmingham, 22b.

MAGNIFICENT

AFTER seeing "The Young Ones" I must say that I must congratulate all those concerned with the making of this magnificent film. I am not quite sure why all the critics raved about it.

Photography and choreography were entirely different from any other British musical, and the vitality and determination shown in the dancing was a real tonic, particularly Cliff, who after the versatility of a distinguished career, has had to demand 22 years from now.

ANGELA J. BATEMAN, 25, Longfield Road, Finchley, Herts.

JBJ AGAIN!

RECENTLY on "Top Ten" by Ted Heath, the four celebrities on the panel were two for two, and the other two for one. The teenage panel voted it a miss.

How can we expect a bunch of teenagers to vote on a record? I think that they don't know what they are talking about.

D. L. LEE, 16, Beechwood Road, Granham, 17, South Molton Street, London, W.I.

CUT 'LIVE'

WHY do recording artists persist in making records in front of an audience? They make a better recording, thus making a better recording, but surely the quality of the recording must suffer?

This last should be a ten-seller, and will certainly set him

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ELVIS PRESLEY

ROCK-A-HULA BABY:
CAN'T HELP
FALLING IN LOVE

45/RCA-1279



45 rpm

AMERICAN

TOP DISCS

Last This Week

1	1	The Twist	- - - - -	Chubby Checker
2	2	The Lion Sleeps Tonight	- - - - -	The Tokens
3	3	Peppermint Twist	- - - - -	Joye City & The Starlites
4	4	Can't Help Falling In Love	- - - - -	Elvis Presley
5	5	I Know	- - - - -	Barbara George
6	6	Ron To Him	- - - - -	Bobby Vee
7	7	Walk On By	- - - - -	Leroy Van Dyke
8	8	When The Boy In Your Arms	- - - - -	Connie Francis
9	9	Happy Birthday, Sweet Sixteen	- - - - -	Nellie Sedaka
10	10	Please Mr. Postman	- - - - -	The Marvelettes
11	11	Moon River	- - - - -	Jerry Butler

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12	12	Little Bitty Tear	- - - - -	Burl Ives
13	13	Ushachin My Heart	- - - - -	Ray Charles
14	14	When I Fall In Love	- - - - -	The Lettermen
15	15	Goodbye Cruel World	- - - - -	The Shirelles
16	16	Let There Be Drums	- - - - -	James Darren
17	17	Take Me Out To The Ball Game	- - - - -	Sandy Nelson
18	18	If You Gotta Make A Fool Of Somebody	- - - - -	Grete Pitney
19	19	The Wanderer	- - - - -	James Ray
20	20	Norman	- - - - -	Dion

ONE TO WATCH

Norman - - - - - Sue Thompson

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Your Ma Said You Cried In Your Sleep Last Night - - - Doug Sheldon

CHALLENGE BY FURY

LAST week's up-and-down, and the phenomenal success of Cliff Richard seems to have set off a chain reaction throughout Britain.

"The question of a trip to Britain with definitely been taken care of," says Cliff's A&R manager. "We're releasing the new Hurricane disc tomorrow (Friday). It's certainly more than just five million, maybe 10 million, and it's been an instrumental and a big band."

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JOHNNY PARIS — Talks about a British tour, this year.

I know he is on the road heading for a concert in Detroit.

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Over to Decca—who release Johnny's discs in Britain on their London label.

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"Now, with this latest disc he is in a new groove. He has what we feel is a more modern sound, like the name 'pleased' exudes still there."

"We're so pleased about it, we're having him make another LP," says Cliff's A&R manager.

"The top side — 'Farewell, Farewell' — is a new recording. The effect is so rich, it doesn't sound like just five instruments."

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Dick Tatham

STAR SINGLES



JIMMY BREEDLOVE

"YOU'RE FOLLOWING ME"

7N 25121

DICKY VALENTINE

"SHALOM"

7N 15309

THE BROOK BROTHERS

"HE'S OLD ENOUGH TO KNOW BETTER"

7N 15409

RON GRAINGER AND HIS GROUP

"HAPPY JOE"

THEME FROM THE B.B.C. TV SERIES "COMEDY PLAYHOUSE"

7N 15411

Funny how time slips away

JIMMY ELLEDGE

45/RCA-1274



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It's a change—but not, says Adam, a drastic change

'LONESOME'—THAT'S THE WAY I FEEL

Adam Faith talks about his latest single

"**LONESOME**" is the title of Adam Faith's latest disc—and "Lonesome" is just how Adam feels. "I love the song," said Adam. "The lyrics really knock me out. They mean a lot to me. They describe just how most rock 'n' roll artists feel. I'm very, very, describe just how I feel. I feel lonesome most of the time."

When I spoke to Adam he had just been through the number on the last stage of an empty London concert. He was supported by two electric guitars and drums. When he stopped singing he came down the front row to meet me.

"It's great, isn't it?" he said.

"I love it. It's a real tear-jerker." I ask him if he has any American music for his latest recording. One name comes to mind immediately: "Adam was involved with George Harrison."

"That's not true," he said. "It just that there was nothing else available at the time. And the 'I want to make 1962' a vintage year for Faith."

None that suited me. I had heard this number and I liked it so much that I decided to record it.

"Lonesome" is a slower and sweeter number than most of Adam's past records. Does this change anything for Adam?

"This is the biggest change I have made. I don't feel it doesn't mean that I intend to do more changes. I did not choose this number because I wanted to do something different. I chose it because I knew that I had to do something different. I just loved the song."

Suggested that 1962 would be a year of change for Adam and perhaps a slight change was not a bad way to begin it.

"It's always good to sing numbers that are fresh. 'Lonesome' is a bit different for me. I wouldn't call it a big change.

"You're right, this will definitely be a critical year for me," he admitted. "I have a lot to prove. I'd like to do well at the moment. Nothing is going to be easy but I shall certainly be starting filming again shortly."

"But it is not a year for changes. I am sure that there will not be many changes in my life for the next few months. The pattern is already set. I certainly have no plans to change."

I am always prepared to sing numbers that are fresh. "Lonesome" is a bit different for me. I wouldn't call it a big change.

"Films are going to be a big thing for me this year. I have plans to start one very shortly and I am going to do well at the moment. Nothing is going to be easy but I shall certainly be starting filming again shortly."

"The one is going to be a more romantic type film. 'What A Whopper.' I intend to watch my filming very carefully in order that I make will have to be much more ambitious than that one."

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**Peter
Hammond**

Gold disc after 22 years at the top

AFTER 22 years as top bandleader, veterans Lawrence Welk and Brook Benton have each received a gold record for selling topping one million copies for "Can't cutta," but also at finding that this disc was the biggest seller in history.

Brenda Lee has joined the Decca magic circle of artists who have sold gold discs. Brenda was presented with a plaque during her recent visit to Las Vegas to mark the occasion. She joins fellow artists Bing Crosby, Perry Como, The Mills Brothers and The Ink Spots.

Columbia Records have rushed out an album by Sam Butera and The Witsmen, which has been doing gangly numbers from the film of "The Continental Divide" and "The Story of Louis Prima and June Wilkinson."

Epic Records have a great new find in Erma Franklin. They have this week both a single and an album,

"Her Name Is Erma," and Brenda looks like being one of the best sellers of all time.

Brook Benton gave a swingin' party in New York last weekend to celebrate his ninth consecutive hit record.

Seems Jimmy Dean needs

him worried as he did over

his new single, "I'm a Bad John."

He now has two

singles going strong: "Dear Ivan" jumped into the top

The Monitor label have just issued an album by Englishman Hall and Jimmy MacGregor.

Mr. Hall will soon issue a new album to be called "The Broadway Of Lerlie." And Lerlie which will feature "Music Chords" and 12 of their best loved numbers.

Looks like Doris Day will have her biggest hit this spring with her new title "Should I Surrender?" The title track of the new movie, "Lover Come Back."

Composer George Dunning

has been loaned by Columbia

Cable from AMERICA

Edited by Maurice Clark

50 within two weeks of its release, and "To A Shining Bright" which was taken from his album, has proved so popular that Jimmy recently recorded a shorter version as a single.

Some people said it could never replace the RCA star's "Von Ciboure." He has proved that a classical album can sell over a million. He has done it again with his "Tchaikovsky Concerto LP."

TALENT-FINDING team

Neslin and Kirkham

have a great new discovery in Jimi Hendrix. Jimi Columbus issued his first single this week; both sides of

this week; both sides of his single have been picked up by them. They are "Purple Haze" and "Fool Me Once Again." "Purple Haze" is a cover of The Light In You.

Lovely Dianne Carroll has been named—"Cue magazine's" "Artist of the Year." Her picture will now grace the cover, a copy of which was given to her in honor of a dinner in her honour last week.

PREESLEY . . . voted a top

money maker.

to Paramount to write the songs for "The Man Who Shot Liberty Valance."

In the movie Dino co-stars with Lana Turner and will join him in a couple of dates.

Doris Preedy and Doris

Deare were voted as the two biggest money-making stars

can sell over a million. He has

done it again with his "Tchaikovsky Concerto LP."

All the major DJs in the

country recently received a copy of the new "Top 100" from Capitol Records.

The only thing was, the blossoms were

all dried up. The flowers were

gathered with a card attached

saying, "Where have all the flowers gone?" and to remind the DJs to play The Kingston Trio's latest disc . . .

ROBIN HALL and JIMMY MacGREGOR . . . an album just issued in the States (DISC PH).

Basin St. East have stated they are all-but completely sold out for Ella Fitzgerald's New Year appearance. Ella is doing a new act which lasts for over two hours . . . twice.

RCA Victor threw a cocktail party for George Hamilton IV in their studio to celebrate his being the first artist to record this year.

Fatima is very happy

with his newest album in which he doesn't seem least most beautifully arranged.

From the BBC, the "Mamas and

The Papas" and "The Twenty Five Paulins."

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Who, when and what happened in the recording studios last week, DISC's guide to tomorrow's top pop.

ROBIN HUNTER

Follow-up for Fury?

BIG names in our walkways last week: Fury . . . Bassey . . . Vaughan.

Fury was at Decca early

in the week cutting sides for an

unspecified purpose.

Miki and Griff have also been busy, though not from their pomposine in the north to cut "Little Bitty Teal" for the dirty burly wavy side. Both sides of the single has been collecting praise.

Miki and Griff's tape was pushed through the mail to the BBC and released on Friday of last week.

Ray Castle and Anne Shelton

were active separately at Philips. Miki for Monday, for single release.

It was a busy day at both EMI

'JBJ'
hits an
all-time
low—

LAST Saturday's "Juke Box Jamboree" panel of the year yet. The show's 30 minutes was an embarrassment to watch and listen to, culminating in the performance of "Norman," the disc by young Carol Deere, who had the misfortune to be present in the studio.

JBJ panels have been the subject of much controversy since the show's inception. We've gradually become recognisable to a majority of people who know whatever about pop music but are hooked because of the show's alleged "entertainment" value.

But surely we do not have to be the butt of the show? Carol Deere served up by Shirley Bassey, her husband Kenneth Harries, and model Susan Castle.

After last Saturday's show, I suggested that the panel should do more and more to help the show, and that the show as it stands on the panel should be banned forever. Together we all agreed that it was not the end of the world but let's not have it carried over to the closing amounts over the TV screen by people who are supposed to be pronouncing on the hit parade potential of the records played.

Too coy

And—please!—can we be spared the shoddy attempts at wit on this show?

Ross Parker, whose experience should make him a top-class panelist, said little that was constructive. The comments he made were all worn on his nose after Carol Deere's disc was played was a lamentable waste of time which would have disgraced a five-year-old kid, who would probably have had better manners anyway.

An artist of Shirley Bassey's ability should also have had many constructive and interesting remarks to make about the show. Instead, all we got in the main was a dog's bark with and references to "my home."

In fact, Carol was the only one to emerge with credit from the ordeal, plus, of course, the kind of audience that she endeavoured to salvage a little for her from the wreck of it all. Instead, all we got in the main was a dog's bark with and references to "my home."

Please, BBC, never again!

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were active separately at Philips. Miki for Monday, for single release.

It was a busy day at both EMI

and Decca on Wednesday, Shirley Bassey, Peter Cetera, Cliff Richard and also cut a couple of songs for a single, spreading the job around, following out the indestructible "I'm Gonna Live" for the BBC. Shirley also went to EMI for more single sides with her Ballroom Dream.

Songwriter-humourist Paddy Robinson was exercising his dry wit for Decca, and also cut a single, and arranger-MD Bill Bowen was there with his musical assignment which concluded on Thursday.

Frankie Vaughan was instrumentally active at EMI on the Thursday. He cut four titles to complete his contract for the States, and it's understood that some four may be a future EP here.

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EMI NEW POPS

THIS WEEK'S TOP SINGLE

ADAM FAITH *Lonesome*

PARLOPHONE
45-R4804COLUMBIA
45-DB4770
BIG BEN TRAD BAND
Trot Party
(2nd record)RAY CHARLES
Unchain my heart H.M.V.
45-POP989COLUMBIA
45-DB4788
DEE CLARK
*Don't walk away from me*MICHAEL COX
Young only once H.M.V.
45-POP972H.M.V.
45-POP973
CAROL DEENE
*Norman*JOHNNY KIDD
Hurry on back to love H.M.V.
45-POP978

The Twist has happened —and that means we're back to rock

EVERYBODY is the bus...
men—myself included—
said it couldn't happen here.
But it has—the Twist is
the rage of the country. The
Madison, the Stroll, the Stomp,
the Walk—all the other dance
crazes that flourished in the
States—got nowhere in Britain.
So, what's the difference?
The exception? Don't ask me—I
haven't the foggiest. But I can say
that I am delighted. Because
the Twist is the pure fountainhead of rock 'n' roll—the thumping, bumping
rhythm dancing.

But if all comes, cascading
like a mountain torrent, washing
away all the sugary fiddle-faddle
that's been around since the day
of teenage girls for the last year
or so.

The Twist spells excitement—
and that is why the Twist films—
bad as they may be as examples
of the cinematographic art—are
so popular. They're fun films,
they transmit a vibrating,
foot-tapping message . . . get-
up-and-go, rather than sit-down-

You must not believe all this
rubbish that has been said about
the Twist being bad for your
spine.

Of course people have got
scooped their spines up in
 atrocious order through years of
inactivity. So the moment they
start to exercise them, something
goes.

The healthiest races have been
Twisting for centuries. So

naturally their spines are ready
for that sort of thing.

Take it easy to start with. Do
a little more each time—don't
try to go to the one who has a
good recording personality.

Meantime if you want to find
some really good Twist records

look to the oldsters of the
industry. You'll be surprised to
find his way is ideal . . . "A Big

Hunk O' Love" is probably the
best Twister ever made.

Not that I'm particularly keen
on the new Chubby Checker—
strikes me that Chubby is more
or less equivalent to Bill Haley

in the beat and bopping sense.

If he's selling his records—
together, of course,

with the fact that he was the first

to start the whole thing off.

So there will be a new
wave of controllers for the title
of Twist King—and the crown

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Great disc

READER readers of this
column will be aware of the
fact that I reckon that Marty
is the greatest singer in the
country. So I won't rub it in.
I just ask you to hear his new
debut, "Custer Running."

Like "I'm a Little Clown" this
is one of Marty's own compositions.
Both are great songs
indeed. But don't let the title
don't care what the chart says
today—a man cannot go on
producing discs of this class
without getting a big hit in the
end.

Cliff's hit

FROM time to time I have a
habit of picking up a record
page and giving a few readers
got the impression that I've
got it in for these two artists.
Nothing could be further from
the truth.

The fact is that I only really
let my better judgment speak
at the moment. I have for the
way they have deserved and achieved
stardom.

However they do matters to
me—they are far too important
to flatter. If they seem to me to
be wanting then I have no
time for so. But the reverse is also
true.

A few things have given me such
a thrill as Cliff's dramatic entry
at number one with "The Young
 Ones." New British singers come
and go, but it's hard to imagine
what I particularly like is
about this song Cliff is still thrilled about
this song as much as the day he
first recorded it.

When he says he's grateful to
his family, I really believe it. It's
not just a line shot for the
benefit of the Press. And when
you consider the amount of money
he's helped to raise for

CHUBBY CHECKER—King
of the Twist at the moment—
will be last?

clutch . . . He really in
should record.

He's the sort of star I used
to think only existed in publicity
handouts. So if anyone tries to
say that the influence of pop singers just point
to Cliff Richard and Frankie
Vaughn. That should shut 'em up.

Advice—no

I WAS very interested to see
that Joe Brown was asking for
advice on what sort of thing he
should record. I'm a DISC reader, so I
reckon I'm entitled to give my
advice.

You will doubtless remember
that he had his last seller to date was "Dark Town Streeters Ball."

That was your own choice of
disc, I suppose, but I say you
wanted it. When that was a hit
everybody started to give
you advice as to what to do next.
You even started taking advice.

Ever become self-conscious and
since then you've tended to play

CLIFF RICHARD—There's
no doubt about it, he is

the part of Joe Brown rather than
himself. So now you have to
find yourself again.

So do this is important
to take some advice, not ask for it.

Just do whatever comes
into your head. What can you
do? If DISC readers have advice
to make a hit, they'd be doing it themselves.

No stranger

ARE you a Gene Vincent fan?
If so, how well have you
studied his records? For instance,
is there anything familiar to you
about the sound of the vocal group
on the LPs "Sounds Like
Gene Vincent" and "Gene
Vincent Returns"? If you
listen again you'll recognize
the husky tones of Eddie
Cochran.

TOP RANK
JAR598KEVIN MCQUINN
*Ev'ry step of
the way*PARLOPHONE
45-R4885SANTO and
JOHNNY
*The Mouse*H.M.V.
45-POP966ADAM WADE
Preview of ParadiseEMI RECORDS LTD., EMI HOUSE,
30 MANCHESTER SQUARE, LONDON, W.I.

Conniff plans to visit Britain in June

WITH STARTS BIG

ONE-NIGHTER TOUR

DAM FAITH starts one of his biggest ever one-nighter tours on February 10, covering a wide area of the country, opening at Slough on Tuesday, others dates are:

Bath (11); Bristol (12);

Cardiff (13); Exeter (14);

Glasgow (15); Liverpool (16);

London (17); Newcastle (18);

Nottingham (19); Nottingham (20); Preston (21);

Sheffield (22); Birmingham (23);

Wolverhampton (24);

Worcester (25).

Conniff has two Light Programme dates on the tour.

He will guest in "Parade Of Stars" on February 11, when he appears on "Sunday Club".

ORKHAM IN CABARET

AN KIRKHAM in cabaret at the Southern Club, Manchester, beginning with the Palace Theatre

other artists on the Northern circuit include Kenny Baker

and Eddie Braben, the Kings-

ley and Donald Peters, who

appear at the Club 99,

now in Furness.

BARRY JACK PARNELL AND CHRIS BARBER check over one

numbers for tomorrow night's edition of ATV's "All That Jazz."

RAY CONNIFF is coming to London! The American maestro, whose sound has become world famous, will set off on a European tour at the beginning of June, and during that trip will visit both Belfast and Scotland, in addition to Scandinavia, France

and Italy.

Day—two songs

DORIS DAY sings two songs from her new album "Come Back," which opens at the Queen's, Leicester Square, on Friday, 23rd February.

Both songs are the title num-

ber and "Should I Surrender."

The songs will be featured in

the film "Midnight in the

Carline" (20), Preston (21);

Sheffield (22); Birmingham (23);

Wolverhampton (24); Exeter (25).

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'BONGO' MAN'S FILM

SONGWRITER Monty

Norman, noted for his scores

for "The Bongo Man" and

"Belle," has gone to

Jamaica with the film until

which time he will be writing

the score for a film featuring Ian Fleming's secret

service hero James Bond.

Monty will write the film's

background score, a large

amount of West Indian rhythm

and colour in his work.

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LINDA SCOTT CHANGES

NEIL CULLIGAN, president

of Canadian American

Records, who was reared in

Britain with American singing

star Linda Scott, has left the

company to join Congress

Records and has taken

Miss Scott with him.

However, before her contract

with C.A.R. ends, Linda Scott will record 12 numbers for a new album.

Miss Scott's place at Canadian

American will be taken by

Bernie Lawrence, brother of

Steve Lawrence.

RONNIE CARROLL ON STARS'

IN addition to American

stars Terry O'Connor and

February 3, Bill of ABC-TV's

"Thank Your Lucky Stars," will

join the show, along with Noel

Paramore's Big Ben Trax Band,

disc jockey Alan Dell,

and disc jockey Alan Dell,

CHART TIPS—Faith, Newley, Dion, Everly, Elledge, Denver, Cramer, Allisons, Dodd, Charles, Ives

Tony Newley goes for the unexpected—again!

ANTHONY NEWLEY
I'm Gonna Be (Weird) D-Dating
(Decca F 11439)

YEARS ago, the popular old "I'm Gonna Be (Weird) D-Dating" was a hit. It's a very funny, but completely with his flair for comedy, song that you didn't expect. And Tony's treatment is unexpected.

He sings the song in straight but languid tones, and the result is that the French orchestral accompaniment is just plain odd. And that's what makes it funny, but completely with his flair for comedy, song that you didn't expect. And Tony's treatment is unexpected.

"D-Dating" is a cute, simply consonant for the other side. This is the first time that Tony has ever been on TV show. There's been a few versions.

ADAM FAITH
Love Me or Leave Me Step
(Parlophone P 1142)

I T'S hard to bring Adam right on a record. His kicky, jazzy, nostalgic ballad which he made so melodic, strange piano accompaniment, directed him far astray.

Well away from the style of his earlier records, Adam has a blending of the simple ballad and western fashions that should score. "Watch Your Step" contrasts

DON NICHOLL'S DISC DATE

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Sedaka plays Chopin—but he's not giving up pop

NEIL SEDAKA'S playing of Chopin's "Fantasy Impromptu" on Sunday's "Palladium Show" has surprised his fans, but as far as the singer-composer of "Happy Birthday, Sweet Sixteen" is concerned it marks a further step forward in his career.

"In the past," said Neil when we met him during his quick trip to London, "I've had a lot of success with my own recordings and people like Connie Francis, Roy Hamilton and Diana Washington have been very helpful in helping me to concentrate on Neil Sedaka the artist."

I play the Chopin in my act because I studied classical music at college and it seems to go down well. In fact, I guess I like all kinds of music."

Along the Alley

NEWS FROM THE STREET OF MUSIC

These familiar tunes have a head start

TRADITIONAL tunes continue to be popular with the music publishing fraternity, and as a result, more and more property owners are applying for permission to erect signs by which they can be identified. A head start where the charties are concerned is given by those who are already familiar to the general public.

The first signwriter in the Aberdeenshire town has a likely tune coming out on the market—Tidies' "Fairwell, Farewell," which is the title of the "Doodie" Tidies' new single. It was recorded with some foreword stories from a Liverpool stevedore.

LEN BLACK of the Mellins group is also in a state of suspended animation—though he has just recorded his first single, "I'm a man again," as usual, music director.

AKER BILKS' "Stranger On The Shore" Silver Disc

another debut tomorrow on Fontana with a Marty masterpiece, "Casey and the Seniors." The episode in "The Devil's Own" is the latest item with some foreword stories from a Liverpool stevedore.

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a song we weren't sure about because it was fresh and different from the usual chart success. But when I get home I'm cutting some more, Italian, Spanish . . . and Japanese?"

"Well, all my records have been sold, and I speak a little of the language myself."

As a songwriter with an old car and a load of broken glass driver, he's more than proud of his own hits as well as "Stupid Cupid" and "Where The Boys Are" for example.

"I find it an advantage to sing my own material because a song is part of your life when you interpret your own work." Neil's sudden visit to Britain after months of working in Puerto Rico and the offer arrived by telephone.

"I jumped at the opportunity," he said, "because Britain has always been so lucky for me although I didn't claim to be a rock star."

"The Diary"—

but after I can 'I Go Ave.' I began to find myself in your chart."

"When I make a record now I always wonder how it will go over in London and I was really thrilled to receive a Silver Disc for 'Oh Come.'

On his return to America Neil is booked in at three of New York's top night clubs and he's thinking of the prospect.

Night clubs

"I love night club work," he said, "because you're working to a mixed audience and you can do a variety of things with my records, but I'd love to be considered as a night club entertainer."

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Neil did say, however, that he wants to set right a recent rumour that he was engaged to a girl he'd known when he started his own work.

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NEIL SEDAKA—Not a rock star, but a night club performer.

NEW RADIO STATION ON THE AIR NEXT MONTH

SCHEDULED to start transmissions towards the end of the month is a new British radio station, GBLN—Radio Else. The transmitter will be located aboard a converted vessel anchored beyond the three-mile territorial limit at the estuary, the Noe, in the Thames.

GBLN plans initial programmes lasting approximately four hours a day to be followed as soon as possible by a full 24-hour service.

Journalist John Thompson, who will be managing director in GBLN, told DISC:

"Our programmes will be light, popular entertainment, a mixture of music and news. Records will play a large part in the broadcast, and there will be live coverage of pop artists later."

Best artists are in as far as GBLN is concerned—but only good ones."

"We'll play blues discs by Little Richard, Helen Shapiro and other modern recording stars with talent, but none by upstarts. And there will be plenty by Eddie Fitzgerald."

GBLN has encountered obstacles in their negotiations with the use of records on their programmes, but will overcome them, according to Thompson, who claims the shows in Ireland before hand.

They claim that their broadcasts should be received satisfactorily as far away as Britain.

The position of the ship beyond the three-mile limit apparently does not offend the strictures of British law which at present prohibits commercial radio broadcasting in this country.

After GBLN has established the country and operate on dry land it will move on to another site, probably in the United States, a reality here."

MARTY WILDE is going all out in his commercial (DISC, Pic.)

Hit or miss, Marty doesn't worry now

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I DO care

"I've had my ups and downs before," says Marty. "I've said to myself privately, 'If this record doesn't make it, I'll quit. But how I don't worry about it!'"

"Don't think I don't care, I do, but I don't worry about it. If I don't make it I'll quit. But how I don't worry about it!"

"Come Running" is written by Marty himself, who also composed with DISC's Don Nicholl, who is also a singer writing his own material.

Don was strongly critical of the trend recently at DISC. "And I went on the wall, when I saw it, and I said, 'What's this? I agree with some of his remarks about singers writing their own material, but I don't agree with it for the business. But I don't think it necessarily wrong for a singer to write their own material."

"I certainly don't write songs for myself," says Marty. "I wrote this one to prove to the publishing side of pop music, N.H."

by John Wells

Tomorrow's Clown was one of the hardest songs I have ever sung.

The last note of it in fact

top A, which only a few singers like Roy Orbison, Freddie and others can manage, was a real heart-breaker away from the kids," said Marty.

"Of course, I haven't noticed any change, but I suppose I must be closer, but I suppose I must be closer."

Marty is now a very consistent chart performer, and his latest disc, "Come On," is also a smash hit.

"I'm back," says Marty.

Marty has plans, and hope, for the show,

which currently stars Marty, closes on February 10th.

"After that, I'd like to go to the West End. I can't say more about it at the moment, but still I'm looking forward to appearing in a picture for them every year for the next seven years.

America

"One will be made this year," explained Marty, "but I don't know what sort of part I shall be playing."

Also being planned is a musical comedy, "American Girl," which Martyn has kept mum . . . except to say that he's writing it.

"I'm not writing it, I'm writing it with Marty," he said.

In South Africa, when I was

working on "The Hellions,"

I was told that 1962

could be a decisive year for him.

"Ooh, I don't really know about that," he said. "I've got a lot of appointments in the past to worry about things like that any more, but I hope my record has got to be good. A lot will depend on it."

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