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AVORY SPEAKS OUT



THE KINKS, left to right: Pete Quaife, Ray Davies, Mick Avory (in front) and Dave Davies. They don't always agree and they don't mind who knows it!

WELL, here we are then with a hit record. The Kinks. Those people with the funny name. No, we can't say we're surprised that the record was a big hit. We expected it because we thought it was good. I suppose now everyone will think we're big-headed, but why should people always say, "Oh well we never expected it; we're really surprised," when they're not? That's far worse.

Establishing our personalities is for us the most worrying thing about this business. We are determined to prove that we are something different. There are already people who don't like us because we speak our minds. Why this is a bad thing I don't know.

For instance, people always consider that because you are a group, because you spend a lot of time together, you naturally get along like a house on fire. In fact they get quite upset when you tell them it isn't true.

We are completely unlike each other really. We often disagree violently about things. We all have our own minds and just because we work together it doesn't mean that we all agree through thick and thin.

Sense of humour

If our music is going fine we get on ravingly well with each other, but if something's going wrong with the music we get irritable and start niggling one another.

But we all have the same sense of humour and that helps no end.

If we are a lasting success I don't think we'll ever change. I mean, I think that we are such decided personalities it would take something really big to change any of us.

For example, I am a very quiet person—despite all the strain I'm letting off here! I don't really talk as much as the others. I am also basically a gentle person. That doesn't sound so good me saying it does it? But I am. I mean I hate violence in any form or people being nasty to anyone. Even in words, you know?

I think that the money business doesn't mean much to us really—just security. It merely means we can afford material things, which is okay.

The pop paper that covers the world

THIS WEEK IT'S A U.S. SPECIAL ON

SEARCHERS ANIMALS DUSTY BEATLES

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I can sum up the others very easily. Dave has something about him that immediately appeals to everyone. People always think how nice he is—and he is. He's very honest, too. He'd never "con" anyone. Lots of people in his position would.

Ray is the leader of the group. He can get a bit moody on occasions but that's only because he's worried. He's a tremendous perfectionist and he's always worrying about the group and the image and everything.

He doesn't give that impression to most people though. They think he couldn't care less.

Pete is the spokesman in a way. Ray speaks for the group, but Pete is always shouting off about something! He's very funny though, because he goes on and on and he's always telling people off. But he's a really nice person and you can tell that through it all.

Dave went mad the other day and bought a new guitar. That's because when we get pulled off the stage the thing always breaks. It's proving quite expensive!

YOUR
CHANCE

TO
SEE

THE
BEATLES

Turn to page 5.

PETER AND GORDON I DON'T WANT TO SEE YOU AGAIN



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STAR SPOT

Flat-hunting Marianne plans Roman holiday

MARIANNE FAITHFULL, the 17-year-old blonde bombshell who burst on the pop scene with her bittersweet record "As Tears Go By," starts her four-week tour with Freddie And The Dreamers, The Four Pennies, The Hollies

and Tony Jackson on Saturday. And when it's over she plans to have a holiday in Rome.

Marianne twirled her mascara brush as she sat talking in front of her dressing room mirror at BBC's Manchester "Top Of The Pops" studios last week.

"My mother will be coming with me," she told me. "We want to see all sorts of things—art galleries, the Vatican . . . I don't think we'll have time to cram everything in! Anyway, we arrive back home just before my new record comes out, so really it fits in very nicely."

SOFT AND THOUGHTFUL

Marianne's voice is soft and thoughtful. She lowers or strokes her delicious shoulder-length hair before answering a question.

"I've never been to Rome," she said, "although when I was very tiny I used to live in Italy. My father lectures in Italian and I have some friends in Rome. I'll have to leave Sarah behind, though."

Sarah is Marianne's favourite companion—a Dalmatian dog who sleeps on her bed every night when she is home in Reading.

"I love taking her for long walks—I'm the only person she'll obey. She'll be coming with me to my new flat—when I get it," she sighed.

IDEAS ARE DEFINITE

At the moment Marianne and her companion/road manager, Mary Alice (whom she met at an amateur drama group in Reading) are flat hunting.

"I've very definite ideas about furnishing," she told me, "although we'll probably finish up with beautiful curtains and bookshelves—and Persian on the floor because we won't have enough money to buy carpets!"

"I want white walls, with perhaps a red or green one, lots of pictures and fitted wall cubboards, and very modern curtains. I think lighting is terribly important, as I'll have lots of lamps too. My bedroom won't be frilly. But somewhere I can work and read and listen to records. I like red and purple and turquoise—all together."

"Most of my clothes are in

YOUR TURN NOW

POST BAG

Write to DISC, 161 Fleet Street, London, E.C.4.

And you could win an LP of your own choice, for that's the prize the Editor gives every week for the best letter. And once a month there is a BONUS prize of a superb Ronson "Claridge" table-lighter.

PRIZE LETTER

Searchers not as good as Jackie De Shannon

WHEN will Jackie De Shannon receive the recognition she deserves and how much longer will the fans overlook her great records in favour of cover versions by The Searchers?

Their "Needles And Pins" made the No. 1 spot and now it looks as though "When You Walk In The Room" will score heavily. Neither are anywhere as good as Jackie's original version. —DAVID LONGFIELD, 47 Woodside Road, Weybourne, Farnham, Surrey.

On the slide

THE worst thing for a recording artist these days, it seems, is to make the No. 1 position. If the follow-up fails to occupy the same position the critics are only too eager to yell: "They're on the slide."

An international crisis would

fail to hit the top—but it is bound to happen some day. Let's hope it won't mean the end of . . . ROBERT MACMILLAN, 19 Lovat Terrace, Mallaig, Inverness-shire, Scotland.

No plot

In my opinion The Beatles' film, "A Hard Day's Night,"

IS THE STONES SOUND WASTED?

I THINK that the Rolling Stones original sound is being wasted on trying unsuccessfully to improve on numbers by other artists, especially Chuck Berry.

Since the popularity of "It's All Over Now" and "Tell Me" shows the Stones that the way to win more fans is to use more original material. —BOB UPTON, 85, Abbey Road, Bristol, Bristol Jones replies: "I think the only answer to this is that 'It's All Over Now' is NOT an original number."

US sessions no better

THE Stones have said they like to record in America because they get a better sound and do a lot of other British artists.

Yet when American artists like Gene Pitney and Brenda Lee are asked where they like to record they say you can't get that good old English sound back home.

Personally I think it sounds the same everywhere. —ROBERT GACEY, (aged 14), 59, Gloucester Road, Bury St. Edmunds, Suffolk.

Said Brian Jones: "This is a very intelligent letter. Anyway, our sound is based on American rhythm and blues. Therefore American recording engineers, who have specialised in recordings by coloured rhythm and blues artists for years are more sympathetic and know what they are doing."

"British engineers probably had not heard of R. and B. before two years ago."

Fights not their fault

I CAN'T see why anti-Stoners blame the lads for all the fights and riots which have occurred in Britain recently. If they knew Mick and Co. quiet as they are, they would change their minds.

They see them on stage giving a great performance by putting some life into it and take it for granted that they are a lone-

Chris Gregory

• BRIAN JONES

• DAVE CLARK

haired lot of scoundrels.—BOB JOHNSTON, 99, Meadowthorpe Road, Great Barr, Birmingham. "Thanks Bob. At least you and I see eye to eye"—Brian Jones.

WHY THREE LPs IN U.S.?

WHY has Dave Clark had three LPs released in America and only one here? I am pleased that British artists are doing so well in the States, but don't their British fans come first? —JACK BARR, 72, Fulbar Street, Renfrew, Scotland.

Says Dave: Well, this is really up to the record companies. The main reason, I think, is because LPs sell much faster and greater numbers in America than Britain. It is policy in Britain to wait until an LP has sold as many as possible before releasing another. This means that an artist only has just one or two LPs out a year here."

Spin it all

I WISH that the disc jockeys on Radio Luxembourg would play all of the record instead of part. I'm sure the majority of people would prefer quality in a programme rather than a greater quantity of records. —BILL O'Rourke, 7 St. Stephens Grove, Bootle, Lancs.

Bad revival

AS two of Del Shannon's greatest hits are thoroughly disgusted at the revival of "Kathy" by Wayne Gibson and The Dynamic Sounds.

If London-American re-issued Del's version as an A-side we are sure it would put him back in the charts.—DARYL BARBER AND GAIL BYRNE, 68 Hall Lane, Farnworth, Bolton, Lancs.

The Editor does not necessarily agree with the views expressed in Post Bag.

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	Last Week	This Week
1	The House Of The Rising Sun—Animals	
2	Bread And Butter—Newbeats	
3	Where Did Our Love Go—Supremes	
4	Oh, Pretty Woman—Roy Orbison	
5	G.I.J.O.—Randy and The Diamonds	
6	Everybody Loves Somebody—Dean Martin	
7	Remember (Walkin' In The Sand)—Shangri-Las	
8	Because—Dave Clark Five	
9	Da Wah Diddy Diddy—Manfred Mann	
10	Dancing In The Street—Martha and The Vandellas	
11	Selina's One—Jackie Rose	
12	A Hard Day's Night—Beatles	
13	Maybelline—Johnny Rivers	
14	Hazard House—Gone Somewhere	
15	Baby I Need Your Loving—Four Tops	
16	It Hurts To Be In Love—Gene Pitney	
17	Changi Nine—Bobby Vinton	
18	Say It For Me—Four Seasons	
19	In The Mody Moonlight—Larry Walker	
20	We're Sing In The Sunshine—Gale Garnett	

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LAST WEEK	TITLE	ARTIST
5 1	IM INTO SOMETHING GOOD	Herman's Hermits (Columbia)
2 2	YOU REALLY GOT ME	The Kinks (Pye)
1 3	•HAVE I THE RIGHT	The Honeycombs (Pye)
8 4	RAG DOLL	Four Seasons (Philips)
4 5	•I WON'T FORGET YOU	Jim Reeves (RCA)
3 6	•I WOULDN'T TRADE YOU FOR THE WORLD	The Bachelors (Decca)
11 7	WHERE DID OUR LOVE GO	The Supremes (Stateside)
7 8	THE CRYING GAME	Dave Berry (Decca)
10 9	AS TEARS GO BY	Marianne Faithfull (Decca)
6 10	•DO WAH DIDDY DIDDY	Manfred Mann (HMV)
14 11	SHE'S NOT THERE	The Zombies (Decca)
9 12	•A HARD DAY'S NIGHT	The Beatles (Parlophone)
23 13	THE WEDDING	Julie Rogers (Mercury)
26 14	OH, PRETTY WOMAN	Roy Orbison (London)
13 15	SUCH A NIGHT	Elvis Presley (RCA)
12 16	•FIVE BY FIVE	Rolling Stones (Decca)
16 17	•I LOVE YOU BECAUSE	Jim Reeves (RCA)
22 18	EVERYBODY LOVES SOMEBODY	Dean Martin (Reprise)
25 19	TOGETHER	P. J. Proby (Decca)
15 20	IT'S FOR YOU	Cilla Black (Parlophone)
24 21	IS IT TRUE	Brenda Lee (Brunswick)
17 22	I GET AROUND	Beach Boys (Capitol)
27 23	RHYTHM AND GREENS	The Shadows (Columbia)
— 24	I'M CRYING	The Animals (Columbia)
— 25	BREAD AND BUTTER	The Newbeats (Hickory)
19 26	•IT'S ALL OVER NOW	Rolling Stones (Decca)
18 27	TOBACCO ROAD	Nashville Teens (Decca)
29 28	IT'S GONNA BE ALL RIGHT	Gerry and The Pacemakers (Columbia)
30 29	YOU NEVER CAN TELL	Chuck Berry (Pye)
— 30	WALK AWAY	Matt Monroe (Parlophone)

Compiled from dealers' returns from all over Britain.

They're on the way up

DISC was first off the mark to greet those "Bread and Butter" boys—The Newbeats—when they hit London for a seven-day promotion trip last week.

They arrived from New York at 7 a.m., and went straight to the London publishing offices of Acuff-Rose Music.

And it was at the Acuff-Rose office that Dean and Mark Martin, plus manager Jim McConnell, shook hands with me.

"But where's Larry?" I asked.

He indicated a figure prostrate on the floor. "Larry's taking a nap," he said. "Everything's hap-

pened so fast for these three boys since 'Bread and Butter' hit the charts in the States, they're flaked out.

"We were coming in later, but when the record broke big in the States, we thought we'd better hit Britain right now."

Larry, blond and chunky, is the one who does that cat-catching falsetto bit on "Bread and Butter." A lot of people think it's a Negro girl singing," said Jim. "As a matter of fact, a couple of reviewers went into print on this."

Larry's a pretty tough boy from Texas—he was born in the same town as Roy Orbison—and likes golf, horses, boxing and football.

Dean and Mark also dig the sporting scene.

The three first worked together when Dean, who plays piano and Mark, who handles bass, had a band. Larry was vocalist. "We had a real swinging eight-piece," said Dean.

Dean and Mark also recorded on their own account on the Hickory label, and Larry, too, soloed on the label.

Then Acuff-Rose came up with this "Bread and Butter" song, and Mark: "We liked it, and did an arrangement. It hit the charts at No. 36 and in three weeks was in the top ten."

"From then on it all happened"—L.H.

**Quick trip
by Newbeats**

The NEWBEATS, left to right, Dean, Mark and Larry.

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Last This Week

1	1 The World I Used To Know—Jimmie Rodgers
—	2 The French Song—Lucille Starr
2	3 Constantly—Cliff Richard
—	4 A Hard Day's Night—Beatles
4	5 Only You—Wayne Newton
—	6 When You're Not Near—Rob E. G.
—	7 Da Wah Diddy Diddy—Manfred Mann
3	8 The Spartans—Sounds Incorporated
—	9 Hello Dolly—Louis Armstrong
10	10 A Million Dreams—Tony Sheridan

Hong Kong

Last This Week

4	1 Someone, Someone—Brian Poole
—	2 A Hard Day's Night—The Beatles
10	3 Walk Don't Run '64—The Ventures
?	4 Suck A Night — Elvis Presley
3	5 Non Ho U'ra—Gigliola Cinquetti
2	6 Long Tall Sally — The Beatles
5	7 Can You See That She's Mine—The Drifters
—	8 On The Beach — Cliff Richard and The Shadows
—	9 It's All Over Now—The Rolling Stones
—	10 The Rain And Fall Of Finger Beat — The Shadows

Holland

Last This Week

1	1 A Hard Day's Night—The Beatles
2	2 It's All Over Now—The Rolling Stones
3	3 On The Beach — Cliff Richard
5	4 It's Over—Roy Orbison
4	5 Hello Dolly—Louis Armstrong
6	6 Long Tall Sally—Beatles
7	7 Our Friends—Françoise Hardy
8	8 Queen Los Rosas—Adamo
9	9 All My Loving—Beatles
10	10 My Boy Lollipop—Millie

Stop

Pressings

by Peter Thomson

MANAGER of The Moody Blues (and producer of their disc) is Alex Murray, who once dueted with Animale, Nashville Teens, Herman's Hermits A and R man Mickie Most as the Most Brothers. Surprise success on The Animals' US tour: Manchester-born singer, Eddie Brooks, a discovery of former Cliff Richard hit writer, Ian "Sunny" Samwell.

The Honeycombs No. 1 for Pye here, but US release is on a subsidiary of Vee Jay (EMI here).

Shortest title of the year—**J**oe and Dean's "The Anaheim, Arizona and Cincinnati Sewing Circle Book Review And Timing Association". In America, Dusty Springfield's follow-up to "Wishin' And Hopin'" is "All Cried Out" (from her great new EP).

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On flipside of next single Marvin Gaye revives "Walk On The Wild Side". After success with former Johnny Jones hit, "Handy Man", Del Shannon next proves Cliff Richard-Bobby Freeman hit "Do You Want To Dance?". Vic Dana original US lawmaker of recent Billy Fury success "I Will" revives pre-war British song hit "Garden In The Rain" penned by the late Carroll Gibbons and Jimmy Durante.

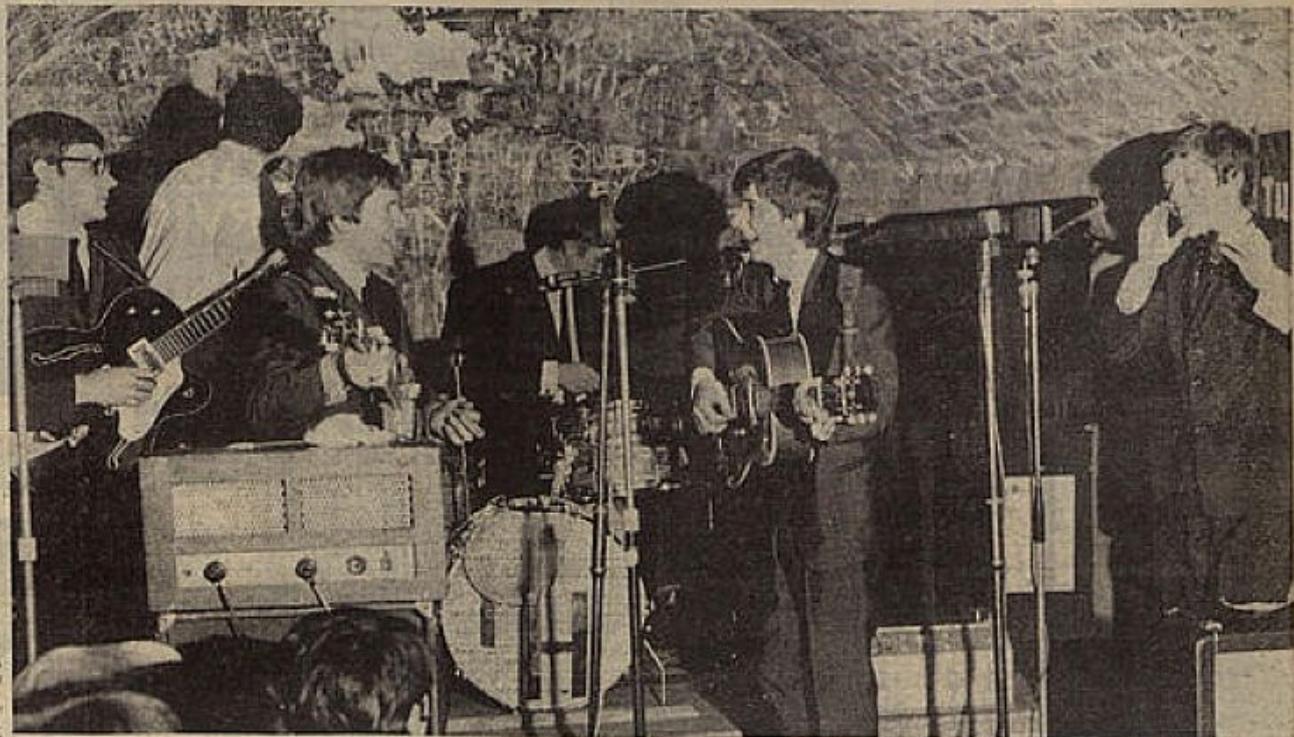
BARRY ST. JOHN impressed on "Ready, Steady, Go!" debut. Next single by Izzy and Charlie Fossi "La De Da I Love You".

Andrew Oldham, recording genius behind The Stones, may have his first transatlantic hit (Rolling Stones disc excepted) with Marianne Faithfull's "As Tears Go By". Out in US: The Kinks' "You've Really Got Me" (Reprise), The Zombies' "She's Not There" (London), Swinging Blue Jeans' "Promise You'll Tell Her" (Imperial). Mark Wynter's "Ansatz Mc" Sounds Incorporated's "Spanish Harlem" (Liberty).

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THREE'S also an American group called The Naturals. On new LP, "The Kingmen" (of "Louie, Louie" fame) revive Jerry Lee Lewis' "Great Balls Of Fire". On first LP, "The Newbeats" (scoring here and in the US with "Read And Butter") include Everly Brothers' "Bye Bye Love", Bert Everett and Ramona King's "It's In His Kiss".

Their next LP, "The Very Best Of The Everly Brothers" includes 12 classics, including "Bird Dog", "Cathy's Clown" and "Wake Up Little Susy". Lesley Gore's "Maybe I Know" deserves to be big seller here.



**CHART-TOPPING HERMITS
AT HOME IN THE CAVERNS**

Herman's Hermits have this week topped DISC's charts with their "surfing sound" debut record "I'm Into Something Good". It entered at the end of last month at No. 26 and has reached the top in three jumps.

The boys—they're the youngest group to hit the Number One spot—are seen here performing at Liverpool's famous Caverns.

Gerry's evening with a Spaniard's guitar

GERRY MARDEN I arrived home at Dingle, Liverpool, on Saturday, ready to meet my British fans again after a fortnight's holiday in the Canary Islands.

"I've had a wonderful time," he told me over the phone. "The weather was great, and so was the food. But it's nice to be back home in good old England."

"I've been completely cut off

during the past 14 days and have

had a thorough rest, just lazing

around in the sun—you should

see my tan!—and doing lots of

swimming."

I hired a red MG sports car

out there, and drove down to the

beach every day. I passed lots of

little villages on the way. Some

of them look like those cattle

towns you see in Westerns. It's

all very colourful."

"I've also done a good deal of

speedboating. As you may know,

"Food? It's all very tasty in Britain, and I'm really keen on the sport. I moor it at Anglesey and I hope to get down there between dates for some more boating."

"I brought back quite a few souvenirs from my visit, including a three-string guitar made out of tortoiseshell! But I shan't attempt to play it. It's just an ornament."

"Evening, I would either spend quietly in the hotel or at some little club with other British visitors. Usually there would be a guitarist playing in the corner, and once or twice I had a session. I'd go up to the fellow and say, 'Mister, do you mind if I try out your guitar?'

• cut off

"I don't know any Spanish, but I managed to make myself understood. Music speaks all languages, I guess!"

"I've been completely cut off from the pop scene and have noticed quite a few changes in the charts since I got back. It's great to see The Kinks have done so well with their record."

"We did a 'Top Of The Pops' with them before I went away. They deserve their success."

• radio

Gerry is already getting back into the swing of things. On Tuesday, he and The Pacemakers recorded a "Top Gear" programme for transmission on the BBC Light Programme next Thursday.

And on Wednesday and Thursday, he and the group are due at the EMI studios to cut some more discs for releases as singles or as LP material.

This Sunday, the boys are starring at the Empire, Sunderland, and on Friday of next week appear on "Ready Steady Go".

Laurie Henshaw

WHY TREMELOES ARE BUYING UP CLOTHES

BRIAN POOLE and the Tremeloes are currently spending quite a bit of their estimated £50,000 a year earnings on batches of new suits. The reason is that apparently people think they only have one each!

"It's ridiculous," said Brian when I spoke to him last week. "When we appeared on television people used to write to us and say: 'Don't you have more than ONE suit?' The truth was that we used to like a certain style and had most of our suits cut to it in different materials and colours."

"Trouble is we make a lot of television appearances and since there's no colour TV, it always looked as though we were wearing the same thing. Lately we've been having batches of new-style suits made up. We have to do it like this because we're not often around to have fittings," he added.

When I met Brian, the Tremeloes

were away on holiday in Italy and Brian was staying in London.

"I like to be on my own sometimes," he admitted. "And I had a few things to do here so they went off in front of me."

"I'm looking at small motor-boats. Yes, we've got the big one for us all, but this will be just a small private one I can take out myself."

When the Tremeloes come home they'll be faced with a slightly changed Brian—because he's had his hair cut! And this, it seems, is stranger than you might think.

"It was growing and growing and growing. Curling up all over the place and looking very strange," he told me. "Anyway I suddenly decided to take the plough and have it cut. It's a sort of 'college boy' now I suppose. I prefer it like this. People used to hate it long."

PENNY VALENTINE

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NEXT SUNDAY'S PROGRAMME WILL INCLUDE EXCERPTS FROM THESE LPs

'TAKERS ARE SMILING AGAIN NOW

THE 'Takers' change of name—until a couple of weeks ago they were The Undertakers—seems to be doing them a power of good. After three records and three unsuccessful tries for TV spots, they span into two top shows as soon as producers saw the new name on their latest label.

The disc, "If You Don't Come Back", backed with "Think", was heard on "Ready, Steady, Go" on its release date, September 4, and the boys follow up this appearance with "Thank Your Lucky Stars" this weekend.

Not only the name has changed, The Takers have an entirely new image. Black suits and toppers have been replaced with £45 a time light grey uniforms. "We thought up the style ourselves," said Chris Houston, "and Tony Bone, a tailor in Hitchin, made them up for us."

The group's coffin-shaped amplifiers and instrument cases have been buried for ever, and the boys have even changed their stage personality. But it didn't come easy to lose the dull, brooding and strictly not smiling expressions they had used on stage for the old act.

"We spent more than 40 hours doing nothing but smile in front of mirrors," said Roger Pemberton, turning on a dazzler. "This drama teacher would say 'one, two, three, SMILE', and we'd all smile. Forty hours of that was like being brain-washed. Whenever we hear that key phrase the smiles come on like magic."

Of course, I tried it. And it worked. They all looked very happy and not a bit like undertakers. A slight shadow was cast on the beaming scene by Geoff Nugent, who isn't too happy about his smile. The rest of the boys have been pulling his leg about his front teeth which are a bit widely spaced.

How do they feel about the change?

"We'll miss the old black," said Brian. "We've had it for a long time and have built up quite a following with it. All this new gear has cost us nearly £1,000 so it had better be worth while." —S.W.

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At the bottom of the coupon you will see a space marked Success. Alongside this put one more quality that we have not listed that you think has helped to make The Beatles great. This extra quality will only be considered by the judges in the event of a tie.

ONE MORE THING: You must fill in the theatre which you want to go to, both on the coupon AND ON THE ENVELOPE, choosing, of course, from the seven listed above. All entries without the name of a theatre on them,

OR WITH MORE THAN ONE THEATRE NAMED, will automatically be disqualified.

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BLOCK CAPITALS PLEASE

It's all happening —to The Hollies

THE HOLLIES had had quite an eventful week when I met them on Friday. Graham was in the throes of moving into his new house, Tony had just bought a new car and decided to become an investor, Allan had parted with £7 to have his dog injected, the group's brand new and very different record had been released . . . and they'd been robbed of £500 worth of clothes and cameras!

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The Hollies' new record—"We're Through"—is the first "A" side they've written themselves and they are justifiably proud of it.

They wrote it while they were doing summer season in Weymouth

"People say it doesn't sound like us," Graham smiled, "but then none of our records does because we haven't got a 'sound' at such. We try to make a different record every time anyway."

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"Are we worried if it's not a hit? We never worry. What's the point? I worried over 'Just One Look' and it sold and sold. Now I never worry!"

"It's funny, you know, because we could have made 'You Really Got Me' as a single. We offered to buy it from The Kinks about four months ago."

"They were doing it on stage on the Dave Clark tour. We thought it was great and wanted to do it. They were shrewd keeping it for themselves!"



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THE SHADOWS RHYTHM & GREENS

(FROM FILM OF SAME NAME)

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BIG WELCOME EXPECTED FOR BEATLES

THIS BEATLES' return to Britain next Monday evening after their triumphant five-week tour of America and Canada is being planned with all the care and precision of a military operation.

For the first time, the roof garden at London Airport will remain open after dusk so that the anticipated hundreds of fans will be able to assemble there.

Also, The Beatles' aircraft—Boeing 707—has been re-routed after touch-down so that it will taxi past Queen's Building.

The plane scheduled to reach London at 9.35 p.m.—is BOAC Flight BA 510.

From six o'clock a programme of Beatles music will be broadcast over a public address system at the airport by Anne Collingham and Bettina Rose, joint national secretaries of The Beatles fan club.

From time to time an announcer will give details of the flight so that fans will know exactly where the boys are and what is happening.

• A total of £15,000 was taken during the first week of box-office bookings for The Beatles' Christmas Show which opens at the Odeon, Hammersmith, on Christmas Eve.

In addition to The Beatles, the show, entitled "Brian Epstein Presents Another Christmas Show," also stars Freddie and The Dreamers, Sounds Incorporated, Jimmy Savile, The Yardbirds, Elkie Brooks, The Mike Cotton Sound, Cliff Richard, The Beach Boys, Dionne Warwick, Mary Wells, The Four Seasons and Little Eva, all have new records out in the next three weeks.

Cliff's new one out soon—plus singles from Dionne & Mary

Zombies to tour Sweden in autumn

THIS ZOMBIES, whose "She's Not There" reached No. 11 in DISC's Top Thirty this week, will tour Sweden from November 27 until December 7, and negotiations are in progress for seven days in Poland during December.

"She's Not There" is being released in the States tomorrow (Friday), and four days in mid-November are being kept free for The Zombies to visit New York for promotional purposes if the disc takes off in America.

The group stars in "Dig This" today, and in "Saturday Club" on October 3.

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Ray Felt and Michael Haslam, the new vocal signing made by Brian Epstein.

Michael Haslam's first Parlophone single, "Gotta Get A Hold On Myself," is released on September 25.

KINKS

U.S. booking agents in to sign Honey and Barron-Knights

AMERICA is bidding for The Honeycombs, The Knights! And Manfred Mann have been signed.

Due in London today (Thursday) is Jack Green, of America's powerful Associated Booking Corporation, who is definitely interested in arranging Stateside visits for the three top British groups.

As exclusively revealed in DISC on September 5, THE HONEYCOMBS were in line for a Stateside visit if their "Have I The Right" broke through in America.

This week, it enters the "Billboard" Hot 100 at No. 90, and Jack Green's is one of many offers received from America by the group, who are jointly handled by the Leslie Grade Organisation and the Bernard Delfont office.

THE KINKS would be available for a Stateside tour early in the New Year, but they could go over for a three-or-four day record promotional trip beforehand, according to their agent, Arthur Howes.

THE BARRON-KNIGHTS were this week due to record a new version of "Call Up The Groups" specially for the American market. At present, it was planned to include a humorous version of "The Animals' "The House Of The Rising Sun," which is currently topping the Hot 100 in America.

MANFRED MANN have been signed for two major appearances in America in October and November. The first will be a promotional trip, the second a two-week tour. There is also a strong possibility the group will appear at the famous Hollywood Bowl.

The group will fly out either on October 13 or 14 for four days. They will then return to the States for a two-week coast-to-coast tour and TV appearances at the end of November.

The group's manager, Ken Pitt, who returned from America on Monday, told DISC that the boys would do an Ed Sullivan Show on their first day in the States, and then would travel to a huge theatre—probably the Hollywood Bowl—to do an exclusive new sort of show in electronovision.

A second Ed Sullivan Show is being lined up for them when they return in November.

THREE BIG FILM OFFERS FOR DAVE CLARK

THE Dave Clark Five will probably star in a major film to be made in Britain, following their Australian and New Zealand tour which is scheduled to open on January 18 for three weeks.

Dave's agent, Harold Davison, told DISC on Tuesday: "We are considering three big film offers for Dave, and it will just be a question of which one we accept."

Dave, who ends his current summer season at Blackpool on October 3, has a new single out on October 16. He leaves for his American tour on October 28, opening in Montreal the following day. The tour lasts until December 20.

Dave's nose was split when he and Denis Payton, tennis star with the Five, were practising karate

last night at the bungalow at St. Anne's-on-Sea.

Dave was immediately treated at St. Anne's Hospital.

Dave told DISC on Tuesday: "I feel pretty bad about it. We often talk about, but nothing has ever happened like this. The ring on my right hand caught Dave's nose, and blood started pouring out."

Dave was fit enough, however, to return work at Blackpool's Winter Gardens on Tuesday night.

IN YOUR SHOPS TODAY

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NOTHIN' LEFT TO DO BUT CRY Elkie Brooks F 1100 DECCA

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SOON I'LL WEB MY LOVE John Gary F 1107 RCA 1412 READER'S DIGEST

I WANNA LOVE YOU Bobby Jameson F 1108 LONDON

THE RONETTES Do I love you? F 1109 LONDON

RICK NELSON There's nothing I can say F 1110 LONDON

NEXT FOR AMERICA

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THIRD SILVER DISC FOR BACHELORS

THE BACHELORS have won their third Silver Disc for "I Wonder Trade You For The World," the number which broke the sequence of reviving oldies on record.

The other two awards from PDC for sales exceeding 250,000 were for "Diane" and "I Believe."

The Bachelors go to London on Sunday for a charity appearance at the Royal Albert Hall.

The Blackpool summer season ends October 10, and will be followed by Irish dates and recordings in London.

On October 6 they go to ABC-TV Telford studios to be recording a feature spot in "Pop" to be screened on October



Shooting of Billy Fury's film "I've Gotta Horse" started at Great Yarmouth this week. Billy's leading lady is Amanda Barry (seen here with him on the way to the races in his "Epsom" outfit). Also in the cast are The Bachelors, Michael Medwin, Jon Pertwee, and of course, Billy's racehorse "Anselmo." Billy will sing a total of 16 songs in the movie.

Four Pennies escape after car crashes

THREE FOUR PENNIES escaped injury when their station wagon overturned as the group was on its way to London on Tuesday.

Their chauffeur-driven car skidded on the wet road, spun round, hit the centre section of the dual-carriageway and overturned. Songwriter Mike Deighan was also travelling with the boys.

The group's new LP, due for autumn release, will be titled "Two Sides Of The Four Pennies."

Dionne flies in

DIONNE WARWICK flies into London from the Continent yesterday (Friday) and stars on "Sunday, Steady, Go" the same day. She is also booked for "Open Stage" on BBC2 Saturday and meantime negotiations were under way for her to appear on the "Box Jury" on September 26. Dionne returns in October for a winter tour with The Searchers, opening at Sheffield City Hall on October 17.

Hermitz, Hollies for pantos

HERMANS HERMITZ, who this week shot to Number One spot with "I'm Into Something Good," are set for a six-week season in pantomime at Chester Royalton with Herman playing Dick Whirrington and the Hermitz playing ladies. The panto opens on Boxing Day.

The group are set to appear with Dave Berry on their tour during November, with venues not yet decided.

They do four nights in Scotland from October 11-13 and will record their EP, titled "Personality," for release at the end of November.

They are on Luxembourg's "Sunday Night At The Olympia" this Sunday and "I'm Into Something Good" is released in America in two weeks' time.

Who signed to star in pantos this year are The

Hermitz. They will be with Gerry and The Pacemakers in "Gerry's Christmas Crackers" which opens at the Odeon, Liverpool, on December 24.

Weeks follow at the Odeon, Leeds, and the Odeon, Glasgow.

Also on the all-star bill are The Fourmost, Danny Williams, Tommy Quickly, Cliff Bennett and The Rebel Rousers, The Roux, The Remo Four, and compere Johnny Hackett.

On Saturday, The Hollies open a tour at Slough with Freddie and The Dreamers, The Four Prolers, Tony Jackson and Marianne Faithfull.

At present, it was almost certain that The Hollies would tour South Africa in November, as reported in DISC last week.

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I can't hear you no more
c/w I am in love

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Show saved by Fourmost's drummer

FOURMOST drummer Dave Lovelady "saved the show" at London's Palladium last Thursday when he deputised at a minute's notice for the regular drummer with Billy Terrien's orchestra.

Dave took over in the Pit seconds before the curtain went up for the first house after word reached the theatre that the regular drummer had been involved in a road accident and his deputy couldn't be contacted in time.

Dixie Cups, Herman and Kinks for 'Room'

THREE Dixie Cups may star on BBC2 TV's "Beat Room" on October 26.

Immediate "Beat Room" bookings feature Lulu and The Lovvers, The Wackers, Cliff Bennett and The Rebel Rousers, and the resident Wayne Gibson and The Dynamic Sounds, who all appear next Monday (21).

Little Eva, Herman's Hermits, Alexis Korner's Blues Incorporated and The Bad Boys follow on September 28.

The Kinks make their "Beat Room" bow on October 5, joining Julie Rogers, John Lee Hooker and Tom Jones.

U.S. TOP CHALLENGE BY NEWBEATS

THE NEWBEATS, who flew into Britain last week on a record promotional trip, are already jostling Britain's Animals for the No. 1 slot in the "Billboard" Hot 100 Chart.

The Newbeats' "Bread And Butter"—released here a fortnight ago on the Hickory label through Pye and already in at 25—first

leapt into the Hot 100 at No. 56. In three weeks, it was in the top ten, and now stands at No. 2.

At present, it seems a close race for the top slot between The Newbeats and Roy Orbison, whose "Oh Pretty Woman" has moved up fast from No. 10 to No. 4 this week. But Manfred Mann are moving up fast, to 9 from 31.

Other fast breakouts are Chad Stuart and Jeremy Clyde's "A Summer Song" (to 30 from 44), The Beatles' "Matchbox" (32 from 42), Billy J. Kramer's "From A

Brian Poole to get a civic reception

BRIAN POOLE and The Tremeloes will attend a civic reception given in their honour at a charity carnival to be held in their home town of Barking on Saturday.

Brian and the boys will leave for Southern at five o'clock to catch a plane to their Saturday evening engagement at Shrewsbury. Special permission has been obtained for their aircraft to land at a military airfield outside the town.

Brian and The Tremeloes were recording on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week, cutting material for their next single and for an album due to be released before Christmas.

Holiday for Shads

THE SHADOWS end their Great Yarmouth summer season this Saturday and then take a holiday.

Bruce Welch is going to Portugal and Hank Marvin plans to travel around England by car.

John Renhill and Brian Bennett have not yet decided on their plans.

The foursome will keep in touch during their break and may meet before the end to continue work on the music for their Aladdin pantomime at the London Palladium this Christmas.



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FOUR TOPS

BABY I NEED YOUR LOVING

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DARK DESPAIR

COLUMBIA 60733

THE HOLLIES

WE'RE THROUGH

PARLOPHONE 61516

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AND THE LEYTONS

DON'T LET HER GO AWAY

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DONNA LYNN

SILLY GIRL

CAPITOL 61514

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BEAUTIFUL GARDEN

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MAJOR LANCE

RHYTHM

COLUMBIA 60735

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MORE, MORE, MORE,

LOVE, LOVE, LOVE

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THE TOGGERY FIVE

I'M GONNA JUMP

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PEOPLE (From 'Funny Girl')

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Don Nicholl

reviews the

latest

singles

APPLEJACKS HAVE DONE BETTER IN PAST

The Applejacks

Three Little Words (I Love You); You're The One For Me
(Decca F 1563)***

D N T I M puzzled whenever writers push out new songs with titles that have already been used on standards. Scott Gordon Mills' "Three Little Words" is not a bad song and it's not a bad performance, but both parties have done better in the past. The title will sell high initially, I feel, on past performances. Easy boner on the second half. "You're The One For Me" is catchy and simple to hold.

Susan Maughan

Little Things Mean A Lot; That Other Place
(Philips BP 1563)***

I N early times, Kitty Kallen secured a Gold Disc for her version of "Little Things Mean A Lot." Susan Maughan revives it with plenty of modern power. To a bold Iver Raymonde accompaniment, she shows-beats the ballad in a fashion which sounds effective, but which is actually going against the grain of the melody. Energetic and size may sell initially.

That Other Place is a Tamia-type ballad and Susan sings it well.

Herb Alpert

The Mexican Shuffle; Numero Cero
(Stateide SS 333)****

H ERB ALPERT'S Tijuana Brass has had a long hard haul in this country, but it was delighted to see that EMI just been obliged to re-issue his "Strutted With Maria" because of demand. Now comes a new, catchy disk from the team ... The Mexican-Shuffle—which sounds like a traditional dance tune—fully as the distinctive border beat rides over good clavinet rhythm.

Nature: Cheap is lighter than life and perhaps sweeter. Pleading vibes and guitar amid the basic on this half.

in short . . . in short . . . in short . . .

THE CHANTS—Sweet Was The Wise

One Star (Pye F 1569)***—The five Chanting the old Sweet Was The Wise nearly making sure that they capitalize on their main asset — good harmonies. Four of them unite behind lead voice and the effect—while not new—is certainly away from the current crop and could score because of that. Slow, soft beauty for the listener.

THE TOGGERY—Five—I'm Gonna Miss You Baby Bird (Parlophone R 3177)***—Lead square of The Toggery Five sing "Dat Gonna Jingle," says it over and over in a tasteless inside song which almost drowns in self pity before it reaches the river.

THE CHEETAHS—Mecca; That Goodnight Kiss (Philips BP 1562)***—Mecca is the East Side of the street where the girlie lives. According to The Cheetahs, anyway, it's a slightly annoying buster.

FOUR TOPS—Top! I Need Your Lovin'—Baby (Columbia SS 3363)***—Another from Tamla-Motown. Mixed group noise from boys and girls on a flowing

Here they are!
THE ANIMALS
I'M CRYING
COLUMBIA DB7354

CHANTS MAY SCORE WITH THIS

SONG: Baby, I Need Your Lovin'. Very smooth. Call On Me is a slow contrast. Bloody well led by boy who sings it as if he really does love the girl.

BYRON LEE AND DRAGONSES—Beautiful Garden; Too Late (Parlophone R 3177)***—Made in Jamaica, this ska time recording by Lee and the Dragonses features Eric Morris singing on Beautiful Garden. But it's the instrumental sound which would get my money.

JERICHO BROWN—Paw Watchin' You; The Wisdom Of A Fool (Warner Bros. WB 1411)***—Jericho comes with something of a beat for the A-side, something of a so-so for the B-side. But nothing of an impact.

SUSAN HOLLIDAY—Street Of Dark Despair; The Other Side (Columbia DB 7363)***—Susan Holliday made this one in the Latin disco studio and she could be going back there to make plenty more if it gets the sales it deserves. Dynamically close to the jazz, feeling in her voice as she belts the song across in front of some good shuffling rhythm. A sleeper, possibly.

THEM—Don't Start Crying Now; Two Brown Eyes (Decca F 15153)***—Hank R'n'B takes a sonic lick at them race through Don't Start Crying Now. House vocal and rhythm backing. The boys sing down and would seem to be the more effective on the crossover.

THE GONKES—The Goat Song; That's All Right Mama (Decca F 15164)***—Gonk are big bluesy rockers now, and this Wilshire chapter is coming in costly.

The Goat Song is a bluesy number, heating easily and peppered with truck sounds. Old R'n'B favourite on the flip.

DANNY DELMONTE—Worry; Till I'm Back (Odeon CB 1953)***—Devoe-voiced Delmonte has the warmth necessary for the C and W song Worry and he sings it sincerely. Frank Barber gives him an attractive country backing vocal girl group smoothly. Something of Mike Holiday in Danny's sound. Till I'm Back is steady C and W material.

THE FORTUNES—Look Homeward Angel; I'll Have My Tears To Beaded Me (Decca F 15155)***—The Fortunes stand a good chance of turning this offering into a hit all over again, and Mike Leander's dark orchestral accompaniment can only help. Good commercial production out of current run of things.

I'll Have My Tears To Beaded Me is a little less effective.

DONNA LYNN—Shy Girl; There Goes The Boy I Love With Money (Capitol CL 15353)***—Lilting chant from Miss Lynn, but I'm afraid she's not going to be my Donna on this bearing.

JOHNNY KENDALL AND THE HERALDS—St. James Infirmary; Little Girl (RCA 3416)***—The return of Kendall's trademark of St. James Infirmary to the "House Of The Rising Sun" arrangement is either remarkable coincidence or strong flattery for The Animals? Not to knock it, however, because Kendall and the group treat the early jazz favourite to quite a competitive ride.

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Major Lance

Rhythms; Please Don't Say No More (Capitol DB 1765)***

A NOTHER Carter Mayfield song for Major Lance. Rhythms is a well-titled one. Lance and group ease their way infectiously through this number . . . a number which has the soft touch we've been hearing from many of the American girl groups lately. This one should sell.

Second-half is a slow wailer.

Tony Jackson and The Vibrations

Bye Bye Baby; Watch Your Step (Pye N 15685)***

EX-SEARCHER Jackson's debut with his new group is brisk and should register handsomely with customers. Girl group is also brought into play for some vocal accompaniment.

One day Jackie'll get the massive vocal he deserves, and this disc could be the one. Very effective performance.

I Heard Somebody Say steps out at a more rapid pace and is less potent.

So sincere Rick Nelson

Rick Nelson
There's Nothing I Can Say; Lonely Corner
(Brunswick B 1501)

RICK NELSON has picked a slow ballad for himself this time out, and he sings "There's Nothing I Can Say" with a warm sincerity that's never overdone. The words come across with unselfish appeal . . . an appeal which is going to collect quite a lot of custom, I imagine.

Backed by gentle rhythm most of the way, Rick also gets support from a male group. I like this song and I like the presentation, but it's a slow burner.

"Lonely Corner" is quicker, bouncier and edgy with Nelson double-tracking in more forceful manner. Twangy guitar in the backing.

Timi Yuro

If I'm Afraid; The Masquerade Is Over (Mercury ME 2504)***

TALL-VOICED Timi revives the fervent romanticism and it makes it come off all over again. Her dramatic, soulful performance is well worth your spurs. Bobby Jones has arranged both that song and the turnover, too—he also conducts the sympathetic backings for Timi who brings a touch of C. and W to The Masquerade Is Over.

Miss Yuro is likely to crash into the upper places in this country this release ought to help.

Dana Valery

I Wake Up Crying; Never Let Go (Decca F 1577)***

THE BART Bacharach-Hal David ballad I Wake Up Crying is quite a capture for Miss Valery and she sings it well. A slow number . . . at times almost a full stop of a number; I Wake Up Crying may take one or two spins to plant itself in your head, but it'll keep you nursing back to the record until you've got it.

Tony Melhus is musical director for the disc and co-author of Never Let Go, the nippy second-side romancer.

Lena Martell

I'm A Fool To Want You; All Cried Out (Decca F 1578)***

LENA MARTELL returns to the disc scene (on Decca now) and has probably her most commercial release to offer. Slowly and passionately she sings I'm A Fool To Want You, giving the lyric edge and excitement. She benefits, too, from the pulsing accompaniment under Mike Leander's direction.

All Cried Out may be sadder, but it has a lighter texture as Lena lets

John Lee Hooker

I Love You Honey; Send Me Your Pillow (Stateide SS 341)***

JOHN LEE COMES out walking the blues splendidly on I Love You Honey. If the market really increased for the true South then John Lee could capture high sales with this effort. Fine rhythmic accompaniment in which guitar and piano strike sparks.

Send Me Your Pillow is an own-composition and to my mind not one of his best.

CABLE FROM AMERICA

Gene Pitney's home just like a pets' corner

GENE PITNEY'S mother is beginning to dread Gene coming home after he's been on a long tour. Every time he arrives back with another animal. His collection now looks like the London Zoo, so she says. The real trouble is she likes them as much as Gene does and can't part with them. The last time she heard from him, Gene was in Peru and he told her he would be bringing home "a cute wild goat."

Lovely young singer turned

RATINGS

- *****—Excellent.
- ****—Very Good.
- ***—Good.
- **—Ordinary.
- *—Poor.

And the really hit records that look like spinning to the top are marked by D.N.T. (Don Nicholl Tip).

wendy, with its own orchestral accompaniment! Dragging jazz-slanted vocal.

Lonnie Donegan

Fisherman's Luck; There's A Big Wheel (Pye N 15679)***

SEEMS that Lonnie could do with a bit of luck in the parades performance or otherwise. Interesting to see if this gentle Country and Western song can pass the trick. Donegan loses the number comfortably, but it may prove TOO gentle for top sales.

There's A Big Wheel lifts the pace and moves into the gospel belt.

The Ronettes

Do I Love You; When I Saw You (London HLU 9221)***

RONNIE BENNETT sings the lead while the other Ronettes chant the riffs, and Phil Spector directs a typical band accompaniment. I'm not so certain that this noise is still highly commercial here. I find it quite resemble. Prefer B-side's slow blues.

Barbra's best with the Broadway hit 'People'

Barbra Streisand

People; Draw Me A Circle (CBS AAG 223)

I'M an addict of this girl's long-players and I hope she does as well here with "People" as she does in the States. She ought to. She sings the interesting lyric with full understanding and her voice carries the gentle melody line with typical slyness strength.

Peter Matz arranged and conducted, and his sympathetic orchestral complement sets a warm thoughtful mood. Given them the disc should overcome even the lack of knowledge about Miss S over here.

Draw Me A Circle is a track from her third album (not released). A beautiful song deserving to become a standard like Sing Me A Rainbow.

Nat King Cole

People; Wild Is Love (Capitol CL 15358)***

WHERE Barbara Streisand sings People out of tempo, Cole bows the ballad to stringed Latin in backing by Ralph Carmichael. It's a good, velvety performance in the Cole mould and it should sell well.

Wild Is Love contrasts with an attacking, swinging performance backed by Nelson Riddle.

Ella Fitzgerald

People; See See Rider (Verve V 1500)***

PEOPLE was one of Ella's British-made out-of-towners. Her See See Rider is moved in blues fashion to small rhythmic team, an intimate performance.

Harve Presnell

People; Wagons Roll (MGM 12461)***

A version Harve Presnell sang of "The Unmissable Molly Brown" cut these tracks to a Good Love orchestral accompaniment. Fine balladic approach, but a nice sure.

Wagons Roll is a predictable trailer-jagger.

star with a sensitive orchestral sound, relying on the string section. Ella doesn't swing or jazz the ballad . . . takes it straight and platonically. Her See See Rider is moved in blues fashion to small rhythmic team, an intimate performance.

Country and Western singer, The Smothers Brothers are to play a couple of murder suspects in their dramatic debut on the new series of "Burke's Law" which will be seen in the States this autumn.

BRENDA LEE has been spending a lot of her spare time, which is getting more and more limited since she became a wife and mother, preparing material for the 60-minute TV show she will do in England during her visit. She has moved from her house in Nashville and has taken an apartment near the centre of town. But she hasn't seen much of it.

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Very Thought Of You," and he will do a nationwide tour to promote it. Most people who have heard it say that he has never sounded so romantic and "with it" on wax before.

edited by MAURICE CLARK

One of the greatest American folk singers that ever lived was Jimmie Rodgers who died in his early thirties at the peak of his short but great career. He was only in the business six years but during this time he made such an impact on the world of music, both writing and singing, that RCA have just brought out no less than a seven album set of some of his best known material. Believe me, it's worth saving for.

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EPS AND LPS BY LAURIE HENSHAW

Maximum impact by Gene Pitney here

Gene Pitney

The Ship That Came Godspeed; Twenty-four Hours From Today; Only Love Can Break A Habit; Not Responsible; Throwing It Up; The Man Who Shot Liberty Valance; Keep Trying; You're A Mexican; Town Without Pity; Tower Fall; Cry Your Eyes Out; True Love Never Runs Smooth; Take Me Tonight; Blue Heaven-Hell Heartbreak.
United Artists ULP 10714***

A RUMPER album of goodies from Gene Pitney. Every one is a winner, but "Twenty-four Hours" and "Town Without Pity" take extra star rating, if only because they reveal Gene's magic at projecting a "story song" with brashly feeling. Gene is a great performer in person, but—unlike some singers—his vibrant personality also comes through with maximum impact on record.

If there is any criticism to be made, it's that he tends to over-excite his tunes, but this shouldn't diminish those thousands of admirers who like a singer who wrings the maximum meaning from every word in a lyric. And Gene's dramatic delivery is well underscored by the atmospheric and varied accompaniments on the LP.

Three 'Camelot' albums

Original Broadway Cast

Overture; I Wonder What The King Is Doing Tonight; The Simple Joys Of Mankind; Camelot Follows Me; Last Month Of May; Corduroy; Then You May Take Me To The Fair; How To Handle A Woman; If Ever I Would Leave You; Just Before I Go; At You Again; The Seven Deadly Virtues; What Do The Simple Folks Do; Fly On Goodwill; I Loved You Once In Silence; Guitars; Camelot.
(CBS APG 50024)***

STARRING: Richard Burton and Julie Andrews, this LP of the original Broadway cast of "Camelot" rates as a "must" for collectors of the growing library of stage-show albums.

The Lerner-Lerner songs are of the high quality one would expect from the team responsible for "My Fair Lady," and there's the sweet voice of Julie Andrews. Her "Fair Lady" herself—to give lyrical expression to six of the tracks.

And Richard Burton acquits himself amazingly well as a singer.

Andre Previn and his Trio

I Wonder What The King Is Doing Tonight; What Do The Simple Folks Do? I Loved You Once In Silence; Then You May Take Me To The Fair; March; If Ever I Would Leave You; The Latest Month Of May; The Simple Joys Of Mankind.
(CBS BPG 62161)***

IT seems an improvement to criticize Previn when he is such an accomplished pianist, but the fact remains that his

approach to this melodic material—particularly the numbers taken at an up-tempo—is at times extremely irritating.

One can admire his keyboard facility, but technique seems to dominate musical taste all too often. Previn's off-the-rails almost "pop era" phrasing strikes a discordant note to this reviewer's ears. Only in the slower numbers does he capture the flavor of the Lerner-Lerner compositions.

But the tracks throughout are brilliantly—almost contemporaneously—feared off. Almost, in fact, as if Previn were saying: "I can PLAY piano—and here's how I prove it." But he doesn't need to prove his pianistic capabilities.

Percy Faith

March; I Wonder What The King Is Doing Tonight; The Simple Joys Of Mankind; Camelot Follows Me; The Last Month Of May; Then You May Take Me To The Fair; How To Handle A Woman; If Ever I Would Leave You; What Do The Simple Folks Do; I Loved You Once In Silence; Guitars.
(CBS BPG 62162)***

AN orchestral version of "Camelot" played with exquisite finesse and attention to the rich melodic patterns of the colourful score. That considerable thought has gone into the arrangements is shown by the discreet use of horns and—on "I Love You Once In Silence"—harpischord, which subtly emphasizes the "period" character of the score.

As an orchestral setting of "Camelot," this could hardly be bettered, and is well worth adding to the Original Cast album.

ACNE, BOILS, PIMPLES!



Eden Kane

It's Edna; Gonna Send You Back To Georgia; I Know A Man; Socks And Stones; Smoke Gets In Your Eyes; Shopper Around; Rain, Rain, Go Away; I (Who Have Nothing); On Broadway; I Should Care; Charade; Guest Who It Is; The Last Leaf.
(Fontana TLP 5211) ***

EDEN had the right formula for this LP—picking a contrasting selection of songs and styling as he could. Unfortunately, he's slipped up rather badly in putting them across, being amateurish ahead and beyond his vocal powers.

He ranges from rhythm and blues-based items like "Gonna Send You Back To Georgia" to dramatic balladry such as "I (Who Have Nothing)."

Frank Sinatra—

I Might As Well Be Swinging; Fly Me To The Moon; I Wish You'd Believe In Yourself More; I Can't Stop Loving You; Hello, Dolly!; I Wanna Be Around; The Best Is Yet To Come; The Good Life; Where Are Lovers?
(Reprise R10121) ***

THE only thing wrong with this album is that the singer gets in the way of the band.

Let's face it, Frank Sinatra is no jazz singer—not when measured up

to the power-packed content of Count Basie and his Orchestra. The band, as always, plays with pulsating precision and an innate, colorful feeling for tone—or swing, if you like—but the singer has never really fit. And the outcome is that we don't get the best of either world-jazz or pop.

And doesn't Frank's voice sound a bit "busty" these days? At times, the old boy is a bit corny in his phrasing — a thing that the Count could never be. This is a double-barreled "star name" blast that turns out to be blank shot. Even the leavening of Basie with strings doesn't help.

Cliff Richard and The Shadows

A Forever Kind Of Love; A Forever Kind Of Love; It's Wonderful To Be Young; It's a wonderful song written by the American team of Bacharach and David to tie in with the worldwide selling of Cliff's film "The Young Ones."

Two of these fall into the best category—two are romantic ballads. And Cliff again displays his versatility in both mediums.

Gerry and The Pacemakers

Don't Let The Sun Catch You Crossing;
Don't Let The Sun Catch You Crossing;
She Said Me That You Care;
Summerlong; Where Have You Been.
(Columbia SEG 3346) ***

SUN, of course, made the charts and Gerry and the boys rightly lead off with it. But "Summerlong" and "Where Have You Been" run it as close seconds. Gerry earns a special credit for his vocals on these—and, if he's not careful, he'll find himself earning a "jazz singer" tag on the strength of these performances.

His voice has an engaging buxom quality, and he phrases with a keen sense of rhythm. A special word too, for the contribution by George Martin's Orchestra.

And a laurel crown for the stamping piano work by Les Maguire on "Where Have You Been." This is such a great performance all round, it should have been issued as a single.

The Shadows

Dance With The Shadows; Chattanooga Choo-Choo; In The Mood; Temptation; Zanzibar.
(Columbia SEG 3342) ***

THE title of this EP is apt, for all the numbers will get the fans out there on the floor. First two are typical Shadow treatments of two oldies associated with the late and great Glenn Miller, but my money goes on the haunting ballad "Temptation."

This feeling rendition of the timeless evergreen is good enough to issue as a single—when it would be a sure bet for a place in the charts. And a high one at that.

The Hollies

Here I Go Again; Here I Go Again; Baby, That's All; You Better Move On; Memphis.
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Tommy Tucker

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Brooklyn fans sang for me!
—DUSTY SPRINGFIELD

SIX shows a day, and 14 hours out of every 20—four spent at the Brooklyn Fox—are beginning to take their toll on Dusty Springfield.

"My throat's been feeling a little rough and I looked at my nose the other day and burst out crying," she told me. "But everyone's been so great, it's made it a little easier for me."

"I'm not the only one suffering. Martha and The Vandellas and The Ronettes have had pretty bad throats, too. In fact, the other day we all had penicillin shots."

"I think the reason for it has been the six shows a day, and our almost complete confinement to the theatre. It's been very hot, so it's not really surprising that it affected us."

"The other night, when I couldn't sing, I held the 'mike' out to the audience, and they sang my song for me."

"But I really love it. The show

is packed with talent, and I'd like to take the whole Tamla-Motown crew back to England with me, especially Martha and The Vandellas and The Temptations."

"Actually, Martha and the group and I have become very good friends."

"Between shows we spend most most of our time together."

• comfort

"I only do one number, 'Wishin' And Hopin',' and Martha and the group asked me if they could do my vocal bucking. Believe me, that was a tremendous comfort."

The Brooklyn Fox show closed on Sunday, having done tremendous box office. Even though circumstances were not altogether favourable for those on it, Dusty says she wouldn't have missed it for the world.

"First of all, the experience has been invaluable. Secondly, I've had the chance to meet all the

artists I work with. They're all among my favourites. How about this for coincidence? I actually told The Supremes they would make it in England. This is how it happened.

Betweens shows the girls have been playing cards with me. They have been telling me my fortune! They can read cards quite well. Anyway, they taught me how to do the same and I picked it up quite quickly."

Madame Millie could see that their record of "Where Did Our Love Go" was going to be a big hit in England. But the girls wouldn't believe me! The next day the news came through that it had shot into DISC's charts at No. 21.

What did they tell me? Well, Mary told me that she thought my next disc was going to be a big hit on both sides of the Atlantic (I think she was just returning the compliment) and that I was going to be featured in a major prestige show later this year.

Well, I'm not criticising Mary's power, but, frankly, there are no negotiations going on along these lines at present.

We manage between shows to pop out for 60 minutes or so. It gives you time to do a little shopping and catch up on sightseeing. On one occasion Marvin Gaye took me bowling. I lost, but it was great fun!"

A HIT FOR SUPREMES?
MILLIE TOLD 'EM!

I FOUND time to write this, although I don't know exactly

how! I'm working on the Murray "The K." Kaufman Show

at The Brooklyn Fox Theatre. I start at 10 a.m. and continue

through for six non-stop shows until 10 p.m. All of it fast, all of it exciting.

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Millie...Animals...it's all British in the U.S.!



BEATLES George and John get police protection before going onstage in Detroit.

ANIMAL ERIC BECAME A RED INDIAN 'BROTHER'

If Eric Burdon breaks into a "war dance" next time you see him appearing with The Animals, don't be surprised! For Eric is now a fully-fledged "blood brother" of an Indian chief named "Standing Bear," and a member of the Apache tribe!

But fans—don't worry. Eric is not donning war-paint and toting a bow and arrow. It's just that he was made an "honorary member" of the Apaches by New York security chief, Captain Burns, who happens to be an American Indian.

Captain Burns was in charge of the security corps who guarded Eric and The Animals during their season at New York's Paramount Theatre, from which they made a triumphant return to London in the early hours of Tuesday morning.

Immediately on arrival, Eric—though dazed from lack of sleep—put in a call to DISC to tell readers about that fabulous American trip.

blood

"We spent the last night at the Peppermint Lounge," he said. "And that's where I was inducted as an Apache by Captain Burns and his family—who came there with me. It was really a treat. We swore blood brotherhood, and Captain Burns gave me his police cap—complete with badge—as a souvenir."

"Everyone was so hospitable. We had a great time. Chuck Berry was on the show—tem-

ber, we toured with him in Britain."

"Some of the youngsters get out of hand, and then the cops sort them out. They hit them across the legs with their night sticks—all tough stuff, and no holds barred."

"On a couple of occasions, girls broke into our dressing-room. One was screaming for Hilton Valentine, and the cops handcuffed her and carried her away in a strait-jacket. She just wouldn't calm down."

"We had a Press conference, and a lot of it was taped—on

known to us. Then next day we would hear ourselves answering questions whenever we turned the radio on."

"Those radio stations really go to town with record coverage. They seemed to be playing 'The House Of The Rising Sun' every five minutes!"

"But it's great to be back in good old Britain—it all seems so peaceful here."

"Now, I must get some sleep—we seem to have been awake for days on end!"

Laurie Henshaw

Those kinky Kinks prefer recording in the dark

WHAT is a Kink Kinky about? According to their A and R man it's recording in the dark. For The Kinks apparently do their best recordings with all the studio lights turned out!

Young American Shel Talmy has produced all the Kinks' three discs, has just completed an LP with them, and is the man who knows, through working with them, exactly what makes The Kinks tick musically.

Trends

"The Kinks," Shel told me, "are people who set trends. They don't jump on to the band wagon. They ARE the band wagon. I think that 'You Really Got Me' is a trend-setting disc and consequently typical of the sort of thing they turn out."

"When I first had them to record I thought we'd see a lot of temperament and blow-ups on a session because, to be frank, that's the way they struck me. In fact, they are first-rate musicians who know what they want and come to a session prepared to get it no matter how long it takes them."

"We have worked all night

into the early hours and had trouble over getting what we want. In similar circumstances I have known even the most hardened recording artist get tense and nervous and a bit frazzled, but The Kinks just work calmly on."

"Of course that doesn't mean we don't have a few minor disagreements. Often I have a certain idea for a disc that they don't feel would be right, so we do it and then decide. In the final analysis it is The Kinks who decide."

"They have a few strange habits. One is that they never turn up on time. They are probably the worst time-keepers in history, but at least when they do turn up they get down to work, so long as there is plenty of Coke around, that is!"

Excitement

"The thing that's most impressive with this group is the fact that they generate excitement. I think they could generate excitement in a 2ft box! Wherever they are, in the studio, anywhere, it's the same and they capture this on disc."

Next month The Kinks' first LP comes out. It should

Beatles' jam session broken up by police in Florida

A WILD, four-hour jam session in a tiny bar in Key West, Florida. That was the end of The Beatles' otherwise hectic week, characterised by continued confrontation with the police in cities ranging from Toronto and Montreal, Canada, to Jacksonville, Florida and Boston.

It was in Boston that their Press officer, Derek Taylor got stuck in the stomach with a club as he argued with police surrounding The Beatles' special plane when it landed at a nearby air force base at four o'clock in the morning.

An assortment of perhaps 50 teenagers and Press people were on hand to meet the plane and Taylor was irritated that the police refused to let The Beatles meet the entourage.

Insisting on tight security no matter what, the men of the law piled The Beatles into waiting limousines and the Press people into another pair of limousines and left for the hotel downtown Boston.

Storm

The Beatles also encountered the backlash of one of the most disastrous hurricanes ever to hit the Northern Florida coast as the remaining gale winds buffeted their plane upon landing at Jacksonville.

At the landing point, a motorcade which had just finished escorting President Johnson to the airport an hour before, was waiting for The Beatles. Johnson had flown there earlier in the day to inspect storm damage.

The motorcade was increased in size and forthwith escorted The Beatles on to the giant Gator Bowl, where 23,000 fans were waiting in hysteria.

As the warm-up acts concluded, Press officer Taylor rode to the stage and told the screaming audience The Beatles would not go on until all newsreaders and TV cameramen were removed from the stadium.

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JUNE HARRIS
in New York

When the boys got on, they worked on a rocky, rickety stage that actually shook in the powerful winds. Once the concert was over, the group was rushed to the airport for the night flight to Boston.

Earlier in the week, after Toronto, they flew to Montreal's Dorval Airport and then to The Forum, the indoor arena that's also the home of the world famous Montreal Canadiens hockey team.

Beds were set up in The Forum's dressing-rooms where the boys caught an hour or so of rest before their appearance.

The next concert was the one at Jacksonville three days later, where originally the plan was to go to sea for several days on a private yacht.

This was cancelled in view of Hurricane Dora which was then bearing down on North Florida and attempts were made to make reservations in Miami, New Orleans and Las Vegas.

In each city, airport landing clearances were refused in advance.

In Key West, Florida, most

southerly city in the States and 500 miles south of Hurricane—threatened Jacksonville, word quickly got out of the boys' arrival and numerous hotels in Miami—150 miles away—offered their facilities.

Jackie Gleason, famous TV star and the lovely Jane Taylor Dancer who appear on his weekly show, offered a whole floor in their Miami Beach Hotel. But The Beatles stayed put in the Key Wester Motel for two-and-a-half days where they spent most of their time playing Monopoly, cards, swimming, sleeping and putting on a mighty jam session.

The session found all The Beatles taking over the stand in the Key Wester bar, a tiny affair with room for seven 50 people, and they pounded away with plenty of honking, rocking trips from their tourmates, the Bill Black Combo.

Clarence "Frogman" Henry sat in on piano and The Escifers sang. At four in the morning the session was finally broken up by police on complaint of other motel guests and neighbours.

sell-out

Late last Sunday afternoon, The Beatles flew from Boston to Baltimore's Holiday Inn motel. Two concerts at the huge Civic Centre were sellouts for a total attendance of 28,000.

Plans called for an overnight stay in Baltimore and a late afternoon flight to Pittsburgh—another city that refused to provide accommodations.

After the Pittsburgh concert, the group and its Press entourage was to fly direct to Cleveland's Sheraton Cleveland Hotel, for a concert on Tuesday at the public Auditorium.

The final benefit wrap-up affair at New York's Grand Old Paramount Theatre is on Sunday night. Where they'll stay in New York is a mystery at present, since it was understood the Delmonico Hotel, where they bunked two weeks ago, refused to take them again.

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Honeycombs



Brother John checks that the slacks that Honey Lantree has just bought are the right size. "I like these," she exclaimed. "I think I'll wear them on stage."

Honey talks about her West End shopping spree

SINCE that moment on Tuesday, July 28, when DISC rang to tell us that "Have I The Right" had entered their chart at 25, none of us has had time to breathe. The bookings have come rolling to such an extent that we haven't even got a day off between now and Christmas! But I for one don't mind, I enjoy working.

Do you know today was the first time I got round to buying anything for myself. I've just got back from a store in Regent Street, where I bought some fab slacks and sweaters and things.

I love clothes of all sorts, but most of the time I wear slacks theatre tour with Lulu, Millie,

and The Applejacks which starts on October 17. For one thing I prefer playing to a theatre audience rather than ballroom crowd because I think you get more appreciation.

And I am also looking forward to playing in shows with other girls besides myself. Although I get on well with the boys in the group and never feel out of place, it's going to be nice to have some feminine company.

Before I sign off I must tell you about the worst night so far in my career.

It happened about a week ago when we were playing a ballroom in Stowbridge, near Birmingham. We had no end of trouble finding

HONEYCOMBS MISS A FLIGHT IN A BOEING

THE HONEYCOMBS missed the chance of a flight on a Boeing 707 airliner recently—all because of a blown fuse. It caused their van to run out of fuel with the result that they arrived at London Airport five minutes too late to board the plane.

"We were very disappointed about it," admitted Martin Murray, the bespectacled Honeycomb. "We were looking forward to the flight very much. Instead we had to fly to Manchester on a smaller plane for our appearance in 'Top Of The Pops'."

Martin went on: "A fuse in our van had blown the day before and the fuel gauge wasn't working properly. We thought we had enough fuel to get us to the airport, but we ran out when we got to Highlands Park, Chigford, about 15 minutes from our homes in the Woodford Green area of London."

"Our van has a diesel engine and getting it going again after running out of fuel isn't quite as simple as one running on petrol. We knew it would take time and we were in a hurry. Fortunately, we were only five minutes away from the home of Allan Ward, our lead guitarist, who has a van of his own."

• those teeth !

Apparently success has done another thing to Herman. It's got him worrying about his teeth.

"I don't know what I'm going to do," he told me cheerfully. "You know lots of people think it's well, my trademark I suppose. 'Oh there's that kid with the grin and those funny teeth, doesn't he look sweet' business."

"But then there's other people who think I look downright horrible. Myself I think I'm going to look like Dracula pretty soon because there's one tooth growing that's pushing another one out like a fang—ugh!"

• garage

"What's more, his father runs a garage, so we were able to carry on the journey in his vehicle whilst his Dad took over our van. We were able to make good time to the airport. But we were just too late to catch the Boeing 707."

Whilst The Honeycombs' van was in the hands of Mr. Ward, he took the opportunity of painting out the name of the group from each side.

"It was proving a bit of an embarrassment," said Martin Murray. "I told people that we were around and they would ask us for autographs."

Next move is for The Honeycombs' van to be made burglar-proof.

"We're having it fitted out with alarms and gadgets that will give anyone who tries to break in an electric shock," revealed vocalist Dennis D'EEL. "After all, we've got over £1,000 worth of equipment to look after."

• session

The Honeycombs had a very successful session, finishing off the tracks for their first LP at recording manager Joe Meek's studios in London.

"Everything on it will surprise people," said Martin. "It's what I would call a family LP. There are about ten originals, including songs by Joe Meek and one of mine, plus one or two rock standards."

"We feature 'I Wanna Be Free,' a number from Elvis' 'Hound Dog' film, as well as 'Have I The Right.' Frankly, we didn't want our hit included, preferring everything to be completely fresh, but America wants it in the album. So we're leaving out 'Boogie Woogie' to keep them happy."

Herman

What about my teeth?—he declares

A FEW months ago Herman could do such outlandish things on stage as dashing off in the middle of a number, or dressing up as Millie. Today, he told me sadly, things are very different.

"We can't even tell jokes now. Do you know that whenever I tell jokes on stage all the girls do is scream?" he asked incredulously. "I mean it's all very nice, but it's a bit of a waste of time."

"Everything has changed so much with this record. It's unbelievable in such a short space of time. We can't really get used to it. We've had to cut out all the comedy routine from the act now. I always used to think 'Will they laugh at this joke,' or 'What are we going to do next for heaven's sake?' Well now there's no more worries. We just play. And it really wouldn't matter if we played in E minor and I sang in C flat for all the world that goes on."

"We played at The Cavern the other night. It was the second time we had played there and it was fantastic. The first time there was us and four other groups and nobody cared a bit. But this time they were queuing all the way round the

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