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This Week's Great Jazz Controversy



Basie in Britain-October, 1957

COMING BACK

FRANK SINATRA makes another flying visit to London

GOUNT versus IJUKE

HO is the King of Jazz-**Duke Ellington or Count** Basie?

For 20 years the two jazz peers have battled it out in popularity polls and throughout the clubs and concert halls of America.

This week the contest switched to Britain with the Ellington band's triumph at its first British concerts for 25 years.

STARRED OPENING

After hearing the Basie band in person, MELODY MAKER readers voted it the world's greatest in the last MM Poll-a decision reversed in the Critics' Poll when Basie was counted out to Ellington.

Since Ellington's opening concerts before star-studded audiences at the Royal Festival Hall on Sunday, the "Basie or Ellington" argument has restarted.

From a snap poll among top British musicians this week it would seem that the Duke now has the edge.



• TED HEATH, inter-Viewed in New York by Ren Grevatt: "For myself I would have to vote for Basie. His band is surely the long of the 'planed to London in June for a four-day holiday, is making one of the greatest."

ELLINGTON TUNE—1958 VERSION



Humph: 'I like both'

JACK PARNELL: "Duke his shows more towards the has so many more facets to jazz audience." his music. He is the master and always has been.

SANDY BROWN: "I personally got a bigger thrill from Basie, but that may have been because of the programming. Basie angled

• RAY ELLINGTON: "Basic is great, but for sheer musical enjoyment I think the Duke has the edge."
• WALLY FAWKES: "Ellington has the stronger soloists, but didn't play enough as a band. I preferred Basic over-all."

• VIC LEWIS: "Ellington has the second best band to come here—Stan Kenton brought the best."

• TUBBY HAYES: "I just prefer the Duke because his band has so much more tone colour and better soloists."

Virtuosity

CYRIL STAPLETON: "I pre-ferred Ellington largely be-cause of the virtuosity of the soloists."

• HUMPHREY LYTTELTON: "I enjoyed both equally, You expect a particular type of music from each and both provided it to my complete satis-faction."

Footnote: At Sunday's second concert. Ellington was presented by Johnny Dankworth with a plaque sent from America to commemorate his victory as too big band in the 1958 "Down Beat" International Critics Poll Who came second? Last years winner, Count Bissie

For ichat the critics say, turn to Pages 2 and 3.

On sale today

the 3,000-mile trip again-to

And in his wallet will be two 25-guinea tickets to see the Royal première on October 27 of Columbia's "Me And The Colonel." Who's going to be his partner? Said a spokesman for Columbia: "We would like to know that ownerless."

"Sinatra will be on a pleasure trip and has said that he does not wish to work."

Travelling with Sinatra will be producer William Goetz and

his wife. And Danny Kaye, star of "Me And The Colonel," and

his wife are expected to travel on a later plane.

All proceeds from the première, which will be staged at the Odeon, Leicester Square, will go to the British Empire Cancer Campaign.

The première will be attended by the Queen, the Duke of Edin-

by the Queen, the Duke of Edin-burgh and the Duke and Duchess of Gloucester.

go to the pictures!

knew that ourselves.

Tickets for the 1958 Jazz Jam-

Pricets for the 1998 Jazz Jam-boree at the Gaumont State, Ki-burg, on Sunday, November 23, are on sale today. Priced 20s., 15s., 10s. and 5s., they are obtainable from MSBC (Tickets), Suite 5, 116, Shaftes-bury Avenue, London, W.1.

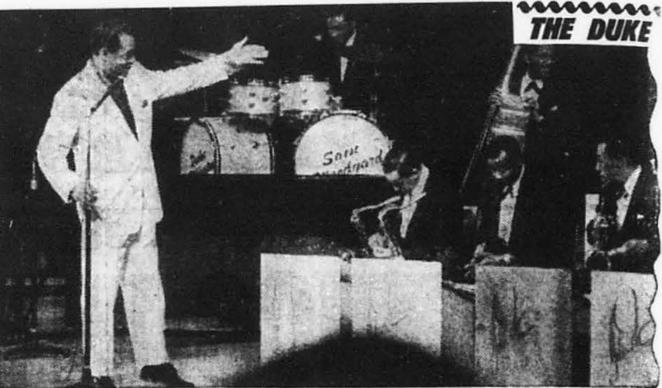
Three members of the Ellington Orchestra, (1.-r.) Quentin Jackson, Harry Carney and Britt Wood-

n, unite at the Royal Festival Hall for the Duke's 1931 "Mood Indigo" composition,

Plugs for Gala Jack Good, producer of ABO-TV's "Oh Boy!" show, on Tues-day started a disc-lockey pro-gramme on Radio Luxembourg for the new low-price Oala disca.



"That's the way he is and it's one of the reasons I've been with him so long. I was a cocky young kid when I met him." "Harry," I said, "it's possibly difficult HARRY CARNEY talks to Maurice Burman



UP on the eighth floor of London's

drinking whisky and sucking lozenges to ward off a sore throat. " It's 25 years and 60 lb. in weight

since I was last here," he said, pat-ting his stomach. "How are Nat Gonella, Dave Shand and Billy

I answered him and got round to the Duke. And I mentioned that

when Ellington was last here in 1948

he learned I was ill in Switzerland and

had been kind enough to telephone

for you to realise the esteem in which we hold your band."

"No-I know the feeling. I used to listen to Fletcher Henderson's band-I idolised Hawkins and that reed section-Don

Piccadilly Hotel, Harry Carney -chubby, gentle and benign-sat The Ellington band was a disappointment to fazz writer Vic Bellerby (see below). He says: "Duke, the showman, played safely—far too safely—thus giving fazz lovers a sad disappointment."



Buster Bailey and Hawkins. It was too much for anyone.

"Johnny Hodges and I were school kids together in Boston and see used to exchange records. We used to listen to the Memphis singing the Lord's Prayer and Five, Red Nichols, Rollini, Pive, Red Nichols, Rollini, Clarence Williams, Bessie "And Ella! I wish I could Hawkins. It was too much for anyone. we used to exchange records.

Smith, Louis and Bechet. "Hodges introduced me to Bechet's playing, but it was I who made Johnny buy a soprano. I thought he looked kinda sharp walking along the street with an alto case in one hand and a long soprano case

in the other.

"My original instrument was piano," he went on, "but I couldn't play jazz on it, so I switched to clarinet. And then we used to haunt the places where the name bands in the studio before us. No complaints—and she paid so much tribute to the Duke It's a wonderful LP and the Duke thought it a great honour."

"Do you play the same choruses all the time, Harry?"

"How does the band com-pare with, say, the 1933 one?" Well, we've gone through hear exactly the same notes

so many different stages that as he did on the records. I I'm amazed people think we wanted to see his movements, haven't improved. But we the expressions on the face move with the times, and, of everything. So I play the course, Duke himself com- same choruses, too, in case poses. One or two people said there may be a kid who might we were playing bop, Well, bop want it that way as well.

Frightening

"What do you think of Gerry Mulligan?" I asked. He raised his glass in the air. "That's my man! I'd like "I remember writing, once, to play more with him." that the growling trumpets had a strange, frightening effect on me." I told him. "Maurice," he replied, seen me trying to get in at Basin Street, where he was

"when I first joined the band playing just before we left New we were eight pieces and we York. It was jammed, and I we were eight pieces and we played a battle of music with never like to take advantage Mal Hallett's band - with of the fact that I'm with Ell-Krupa on drums. It was a ington. great big full dance band and we were small. as I was leaving.

"When we followed them, "Well," he smiled, "I'll stay Bubber Miley and Tricky Sam with the Duke until I get too played some growl duets. And I actually cried. That was my old to play and then I'll say: Duke, you have my permisfirst experience of Ellington.

BELLERBY

Mulligan

"Yes, I do. Because when I saw Hawkins I wanted to

"Do you like Basie?"
"Basie? You should have

Any ambitions?" I asked

was disappointed

AFTER the second Ellington concert I heard a teenager ask; "Why didn't the band play?" It was an innocent

remark which at once exposes the weakness of the two Festival

For, from the opening "A Train" to the final "Diminuendo And Crescendo In Blue." not one single band number was played. Forgetting the boring monotonous drum solo and the commercial vocals—though I still refuse to accept their necessity—the main trouble was that Duke with typical modesty, wrongly demonstrated his unrivalled solo strength by asking nearly

his unrivalled solo strength by asking nearly every member of the band to take a solo routine. And all the time we felt conscious of the hundreds

The true secret of Ellington's genius is his uncanny ability

to weave his soloists into an original composition, continually

absorbing our interest by the ever-changing pattern and colour.

We were not given one number in which this happened. It was like a series of great actors delivering their favourite soliloquies rather than contributing to a great Shakespeare play. Basic was quite confident to let his band sit back, find the beat and play number after number, improving all the time. Duke, the showman, played safely—far too safely—thus giving jazz lovers a sad disappointment.

of Ellington compositions waiting to be played

play my notes as well as she can sing—and do it so effort-lessly. "She did an album with us under the worst pressure. She was working very hard at the Copacabana and yet she was in the studio before us. No

Let me make two things clear

tunes. "Sophistiwas played twice, and "I Let A Song Go Out Of My Heart"

cellently done-so far as it went. The trouble was that too many of them didn't go Iar enough.

Introduction

This lent diversity to the programme. It also left the impression of a rather patchy concert. As someone said: " A knockout, of course, but I felt it was like an introduction to Ellington.

The audience—conspicuously setting on in years in the area > Splendour where I was sitting-was ready for the most challenging programme that Ellington and his ensemble could produce that night. They got

but not left limp.

Heigh's there were, of course. For me, "Creole Love Call" and "Mooche"; the Ducal reed sound on "Jeep's Blues": Hodges, Harry Car-Blues"; Hodges, Harry Car-

A lengthy " Autumn Leaves,"



The audience was ready for Ellington's most challenging programme—they were delighted, but not left limp.

A knockout of course, but 50 far as I am able to interpret the event, the

the story of a superlative orchestra playing a programme not quite worthy of this historic occasion. In view of the array of talent mustered on the Royal Festival Hall stage

story of Duke Ellington's opening concert was

last Sunday, I know it seems ungrateful to find any fault. But it must be done. This is the world's foreinstrument of the most

ELLINGTON TOUR

most jazz orchestra-the imaginative and completely original composer in the jazz field. From it, quite naturally, we expect a preponderance of Ellington creations played in full for all they are worth,

In fact, we got a few-and very imposing they were. We also got several shortened versions, a song from "Drum Is A Woman" some "showcase" numbers (including a drawnout drum solo), a French ballad and a pot-pourri of Ellington hits.

at once: the band was marvel-

t h oroughly

concert.

other.

Every mem-

Now, for Humphrey Lyttelton's reaction, turn to page ten

horn — was featured s o mewhere and and we heard a total of 29

and "Don't Get Around Much Any More" were performed

something to please every-body, and were delighted . . .

ney, the orchestral colour on

Diminuendo."

continued on page 13 Then there was the final

"Jones" with Duke's hip in-structions on finger-snapping "Never push it, just let it all, . . . " and so on). fall, . . . " and so on).

And Ray Nance's vocal and "ballet" on "Just Squeeze Me" and "It Don't Mean A

As it seemed to me, the first half was cleverly planned, though it held too many set pieces and not enough numbers presenting a sequence of soloists.

But after the interval the commanding "Hi Fi Fo Fum" drum feature and the medley of a dozen themes took up too much precious time. There lous and I were only the encores, thoroughly "Diminuendo And Crescendo enjoyed the In Blue" and "Jones," come

ber -except Ragged Billy Stray-

The concert kicked off at 6.6 p.m. with a Duke-less "A Train "—slightly ragged would have said, if this had been any other band.

Then Duke appeared, to storm of applause, and an-nounced "a few re-dos . . . things that were put in the book before I joined the band." His new, slim appearance and cool stage manner were very pleasing.

The things turned out to be almost all of "Black And Almost every piece was ex- Tan" (introducing Ray Nance, Quentin Jackson and Pro-cope's alto), "Creole Love Call" (three clarinets with Baker's muted trumpet; Procope's clarinet), and "The Mooche" (Procope and Jackson).

A fast, swinging "Newport Up" followed, with the Terry-Hamilton - Gonsalves exchanges not well heard via the amplification, and Hamilton returned for an irreproachable if unemotional "Tenderly."

"Perdido" brought on Clark Terry's slightly muffled open flugelhorn — fast and fairly lyrical-and in quick succession Carney displayed splendour of tone and style on Sophisticated Lady," Britt "Sophisticated Lady." Britt Woodman Just reached a stratospheric ending on the brief "Sonnet To Hank Cing." and Ozzie Bailey sang "What Else Can You Do With A Drum?"



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No more stompin' NEW YORK, Wed.-The Savoy Ball-room, the world-renowned jazz at the Sav

is coming down to

HOLLYWOOD the fixtures were auctioned off. The demise of the

building will follow shortly.

Nearly every great band of the 'twenties, 'thirties and 'forties played at the Savoy. Charles Buchanan, manager of the ballroom since it opened on March 12, 1926, recalled days gone by to me this week.

Battle of the Bands

"One night," he said, "we had Chick Webb, Duke Ellington, Cab Calloway, the Johnson Happy Pals from Richmond, and Count Basie on the same

and Count Basie on the same programme.

"When we had Chick Webb versus Benny Goodman on one of our 'Battles of the Bands,' we turned away twenty thousand people... One time we took in 4,200 people to hear Glenn Miller at 20 cents a head. Those were depression prices."

Mr. Buchanan remarked that not only entertainers, but also dances originated at the Savoy.

The 'Lindy Hop'

In 1927, shortly after Lindbergh's flight to Paris, he observed a group of unusually lively dancers. "Who do you think you are, hopping around like that?" he asked—"Lindbergh?" The Lindy Hop was christened. Manager Huchanan was noncommittal about the possibility of reopening at another location. However, he did say that the Savoy or some place like it is needed. "You can be a very lonely person in Harlem if you don't know anybody," he said.

SACHA DISTEL

Hot 'copy'

THE best copy for press agents in town is Sacha Distel. The jazz guitarist-singer, who recently appeared on the Ed Sullivan TV show, is riding high on the strength of the announcement of his engagement to France's "Sex Kitten," Brigitte Bardot. Bardot.

The personable, somewhat boyish-looking Distel has been making the rounds of the jazz clubs in the company of vocal-

TRUDY RICHARDS WILL BE BACK

TRUDY RICHARDS, American song star who made a big impact on the Jewel and Warriss. "Star Time" ATV show last week, is returning to Britain shortly.

"I shall be coming back for TV-only spots at the end of November or in January," she told the MM. "I also plan to make a record album here with some of your jazz boys."

Trudy flew back to the States on Sunday following a cabaret season at the Astor Club. She attended the Ellington opening at the Festival Hall before leaving Britain.

lovely Annie Ross, a friend or

LES BROWN

Moving to Coral

IT is rumoured that the Les Brown Band will leave the Capitol Records stable and return to Coral in the near future. . . . Pops Armstrong is looking forward to another overseas tour in the Spring. He'll play England and the Continent.

Burt Korall

FRED JACKSON JOINS U.S DISC FIRM

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TRED JACKSON, General
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Jackson will be Managing
Director handling the
British and Continental end
of Planetary-Kahl (London),
Ltd. In the States, Planetary are associated with
Roulette Records.

Taking over is Cyril Gee,
who Joined Mills in 1955—
becoming Assistant General
Manager.

Armstrong-Kaye

HOLLYWOOD, Wed .-For the Armed Forces Christmas programme, Louis Armstrong and Danny Kaye have recorded a special version of "When the Saints Go Marchin' In," written by Sylvia Fine (Mrs. Danny Kaye).

Novak on disc

KIM NOVAK is to record for a Columbia Records' sub-midiary. . . . Mammie Van Doren and bandleader Ray Anthony have cancelled their divorce proceedings in the hope of arranging a "friendly pact."

Dean Martin's tuxedo

DEAN MARTIN'S new tuxedo is of grey mohair with a grey ruffled shirt and Jimmy Rodgers,

TV CAN SAVE **'EXCHANGES'** Says

TED HEATH

NEW YORK, Wednesday.— Television shots are needed to keep the Anglo-U.S. band

exchanges going strong.

This is the opinion of Ted
Heath, interviewed shortly after
his arrival for his fourth Ameri-

Said Ted: "Without the help of TV exposure on both sides of the Atlantic for visiting bands, I don't think you can look for much improvement in the band exchanges.

exchanges.

"And the chances for an agreement on TV look rather slim, don't they?"

Added the British maestro: "I don't look for much change in the present exchange programme. Reasons? For one thing, there are just not enough places an American band can play in British as compared with those in America.

HOLLYWOOD HEADLINES

From HOWARD LUCRAFT

Tommy Sands and Pat Boone may get similar outfits.

Bing helps Dennis

AST week, Bing read one of the commercials on son Dennis Crosby's local radio show and, in return, Dennis played Bing's big hit, "Blue Of The Night," sung by Russ Colombo! . . . Film actor John Saxon is one of the sponsors of a Sunday afternoon jam session at a Sunset Strip coffee house. . . . Presicy's New York dockside interviews may be issued on record.

WANTED

HIMITANIA

Hollywood corre-Lucraft is producing, currently, another series of recorded Jazz radio pro-grammes for winter release over the Armed Forces Radio

over the Armed Forces Radio Service,
Howard likes to feature European jazz. British record companies and bandleaders are invited to send LP discs to Howard Lucraft at Box 91, Hollywood 28, California, USA.
Please use plenty of good strong packing, as transatlantic mail can be extremely rough on records.

Hurry back

NAT "KING" COLE is getting
800 letters a month asking
why he doesn't return to television. . . Louis Armstrong is
teaching Danny Kaye the trumpet for the Red Nichols picture.
. . . 15 million dollars was paid to
ASCAP members in the first eight
months of this year. . . The
Studebaker-Packard Corporation
may buy the Imperial Record
Company that has Fats Domino
and Ricky Nelson.

Belafonte and the Blues

RELIGIO-LPs ENTER

NEW YORK, Wednesday.—A few months ago, religious singles were hitting for the big time here. Today, with none of these in view, album interest has suddenly focussed on the religious

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"It's because some of the pop artists have done very well with religious albums," said one observer this week. "Pat Boone, Johnny Mathis and

kick.

MEET THE STARS with REN GREVATT

Tennessee Ernie Ford have had

Tennessee Ernie Ford have had best-selling sacred albums on the charts for months."

Now, Perry Como is due to be out shortly with a new religious album. And there have been substantial releases in the past week from Capitol, Decca, RCA Victor and Columbia as well as a flock of smaller labels, with religious fare from anthems to hymns.

MIKE PRESTON

Winning Way

MIKE PRESTON, a BBC-TV cameraman. made his Stateside disc debut this week with a winning performance on what looks like a winning tune, "A House, A Car And A Wedding Ring."

Ring."

It's a strong London follow-up to last week's British disc issued by Capitol—" Mad Passionate Love." by Bernard Bresslaw. This is already getting a heavy reaction here.

NEWSBOX **'STATELY' JAZZ**

THE Marquis of Hertford is planning to stage a jazz festival next April in the grounds of his stately home—Ragley Hall—in Warwickshire. It will be staged along the lines of the recent Beaulieu Festival, organised by Lord Montagu Montagu

The Marquis told the MM:
"It would probably be held en-tirely under canvas."

BRADFORD.—Eric Winstone
will bring his Orchestra to play
at the local Press Ball on October 29 at the Windsor Halls. He
will play with the He will play with the Howard Douglas Group.

MANCHESTER.—Club Django has ended Friday sessions at the Millstone Hotel. . . The Acker Bilk Band will sppear at The Bodega Restaurant tomorrow (Saturday).

WISBECH.—A new modern jazz club, with sessions every fortnight, will open tonight (Priday) in the Lounge of the Ship Hotel. Resident will be the Roy Douglas Jazz Stars.

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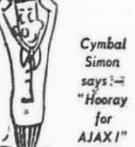
TWENTY-EIGHT organisations have invested £5 shares in a scheme to present dances at East Dereham. Norfolk.

They will each get a percentage of the profits—if any—at the end of the season. Among forthcoming name band attractions are the Chris Barber and Humphrey Lyttelton groups. ton groups.

NOTTINGHAM.—Name bands due at the Rhythm Club include Alex Weish (October 28). Al Fairweather-Sandy Brown (Nov-Fairweather-Sandy Brown (Nov-Pairweather-Sandy Brown (25th). ember 7) and Acker Bilk (25th)

Jerry Dawson





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TWO questions seemed to predominate last week-end. One was: "What did you think of Ellington?" The other: "What did you think of that front-page story about the summer bands?"

In each case, reactions were varied. The Eilington controversy rages on page one. On page 10, musicians, the Musicians' Union, the Music Directors' Association and members of the public

argue it out.
Harry Gold summed up
the situation when he told

me this week:

In the first place, it is up to the managements to engage reliable leaders. If the leader is reliable, he will naturally beet to it that the job is pro-

perly carried out.

"By engaging musicians who, themselves, can be relied upon to take their work seriously."

his year?

Cayton Bay Holiday Camp annual get-together, when the next year.

Quote

I DON'T want to meet him. I know nothing about this little American soldier. And if it comes to guitarists, I have better at home."

speaker: Brigitte Leslie.

The subject: Presley.

On with ...

stars are the guests of the Music Publishers' Contact Per-sonnel Association, will be held at the Dorchester Hotel as

usual this year.
The date: October 23—from 9 p.m. to 3 a.m.
The bands: Syd Dean and Al

Freddy Goulbert is handling ubject: Presley. tickets from Feldman's offices preference: Sacha at 64, Dean Street, W.1.

Birmingham Bounce BIRMINGHAM'S Festival of

poin 15 take their work
priously."

DESPITE rumours to the contrary, the 1958 Tin Pan Alley Ball has not been canmula. Figures just released show that 1,902 people paid to

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reviews Great Records of our Time - Number Four:

BIX BEIDERBECKE'S

SINGIN' THE BLUES"

details

Frankie Trumbauer (alto), Bix Beiderbecke

(cornet), Jimmy Dorsey (clarinet), Doc Ryker (alto), Miff Mole (trom), Ed Lang (guitar), Chauncey Morehouse

(drums). Rec.: N.Y. City 4/2/27. Duration: 3 min. Parlo. R.3323.



see Mantovani at the Town Hall, and 1,666 to see Hum-phrey Lyttelton.

In the parks, attendances were just as encouraging. Big-gest audiences were recovered by

gest audiences were recorded by Sid Phillips (1,751 at Small Heath) and Ken Mackintosh (1,108 at Handsworth Park),

Obsessed?

I SUPPOSE it is natural for people who take their jobs seriously to develop one-track minds. And entirely applicable when they are in the record business. business.

Which may be why Columbia

is listing Line Renaud's latest as "Disc-Donc, Disc-Donc." To be consistently French, of course, they should have made it "Disque-Donc."

But to be accurate, the title of this "Irma La Douce" number is "Dis-Donc, Dis-Donc" (roughly translated as "Tell me").

Love You Madly

WHAT might be termed a nice piece of close har-mony has emerged from Ivor Mairants's Central School of Dance Music.

On Saturday, Ivor attended the wedding of guitarist Bryan Daly, a teacher at the school, to singing-pupil Maria Lee—the girl selected out of 50 applicants for Tommy Whittle's new Dorchester band.

Whoops!

THE panic is on. Every songwriter in the Street is Buthumbing through his rhyming long.

What a delight to hear Jimmy Rushing again with the Lyttelton band at London's Conway Hall on Friday. Mr. Five-by-Five was in great voice, swung the band like mad, and coaxed exciting solos from Tony Coe and Jimmy Skidmore. Jimmy's "I Want A Little Girl" was a peach! Humph is to be commended for giving his followers a full ration of Rushing. The singer was on stage for nearly 90 glorious minutes.

dictionary for words that link with "hoop."
Soup? Ind Coope? Can-taloupe?

It's not easy. Which is why

others are thinking of rewriting established hits.

"Hoops Fell on Alabama,"
"Somebody Stole My Hoop."
"Hoop for Sale." "I've Grown

Accustomed to her Hoop" But everyone's hooping it'll put a jerk into the music business.

Eh?

AFTER stumbling off-stage weeping at Bradford Alhambra last Thursday, failing to turn up for first-house Friday, and cancelling a week at the Royalty, Chester, Terry Dene told our local man, Stanley Petrson:

"I'm finished with psychiatrists, deferments, agents, the

trists, deferments, agents, the lot. I just want to join the Army."

But he didn't say for hose

Was 23 years old. The the stuff, and when you got it, it might kill you.

On the street you might walk was 23 years old. The influence of Armstrong, Oliver and Noone, whom Contest—or a gunman's bullet. Those were the conditions in

He had not yet joined the big band of Jean Gold-kette, or fallen under the iron discipline demanded by Paul Whiteman's orby Paul Whiteman's orchestrations.

His friend and employer, Frankle Trumbauer, was at his impeccable peak. The great Eddie Lang was around: Jimmy Dorsey had brought along his clarinet. Everything was set for a good session.

Colourful

Life in metropolitan America in 1927 was quite a colourful business. In the past year 2,000 people had died from the effects

of bootleg liquor.

At the funeral of screen idol
Rudolph Valentino, the first incredible scenes of fan hysteria

had taken place.

In New York itself a comic-opera campaign had led to the election as mayor of song-writing playboy James J. Walker. Gang warfare was by no means confined to Chicago.

In short, life, laughter and death were at every street corner. Officially you couldn't buy a drink anywhere, but every New Yorker knew where to get

Test proves

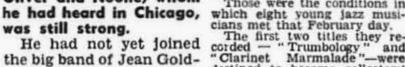
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time.

The "Singin' The Blues" in question was a popular tune of the day, several streets ahead of

its dreary rock-n'-roll namesake in the 1950s. The form of Trumbauer's re-

cord is still almost unique in Jazz. After a 32-bar solo by Trumbauer himself (worked out, one suspects, in advance of performance) the original melody is suspended for a fur-ther 32 bars of Beiderbecke, be-fore making its first recognis-able appearance in the closing

minute.

Aided by the inventive, legitimate-styled guitar of Eddie Lang, it is the Bix Belderbecke chorus which has won "Singin The Blues" jazz immortality jazz immortality. And for once it is the choice of notes, even more than the manner of playing them, that is responsible,

Exquisite

"Choice of notes" is the key expression for Bix Beiderbecke. Listening again to that ex-quisite chorus, one experiences the beauty of selective phrasing: the satisfaction of hearing a single note chosen for its im-pact on a phrase, the whole phrase moulded into a perfect,

logical sequence.

The first four bars alone bear the stamp of a unique musical brain. Later, in a wonderful alternation of poise and attack, Bix covers the full range of jazz qualities, anticipating by almost a quarter of a century the a quarter of a century the moment when jazz would awaken to the beauties of musi-

cal understatement. This is the solo which Rex Stewart honoured with a notefor-note copy—a rare artistic acknowledgment of a white musician by a Negro. It is the solo which was transcribed by an entire generation of horn-

men. Note by note, Beiderbecke's "Singin' The Blues" solo has been studied, analysed, enjoyed and marvelled at for 31 long.

crowded years.

In the jazz calendar, February 4, 1927, will always occupy a golden page. Yet inside five years of that date. Bix was dead. Given health, self-discipline and congenial musical company, there is no gauging the heights to which his genius

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record creates new interest. But that's the case with the backing to Marino Marini's "Volare." A sudden demand for the "Come Prima" side has taken this disc to No. 12.

Other discs that have soared are Elvis Presley's King Creole. Cliff Richard's Move It, and Johnny Mathis's A

Certain Smile.

Pive new discs have emerged, headed by Tommy Edwards's It's All In The Game, at 13. This number dates back to 1912. And Frankie Vaughan brings in another oldie, Am I Wasting My Time On Yon? from 1926. And this was only released last Friday!

The other newcomers are Western Movies, by the Olympics, My True Love, by Jack Scott, and Little Star, by the Elegants. These, with the Edwards disc, have hit the target in the States.

One to watch may be Malcolm Vaughan's Miss You. This one has begun to show strongly in the returns.

Shock of the week is Marty Wilde's Endless Sleep. Last week it was strongly placed at No. 11—this week it is out!

Still at the top, Connie Prancis's position has been consolidated by very strong sales of her Stupid Cupid/Carolina Moon. And she looks set—Presley willing—for a long run at No. 1.

long run at No. 1.

It's more than pleasant to welcome a new name in Show Business—especially when it's a the Variety stage. Ts more than pleasant to newconer to the Variety stage. And for that reason alone my visit to London's Prince of Wales on Tuesday was well worth while.

The newcomer is 26-year-old Roy Castle, from Huddersfield, and he owes his start to Dickie Valentine who has been coach-ing him for several months.

So it must be something of a consolation for Dickie because of the show. Roy clowns, dances, plays guitar and trum-pet. In fact you name it—he

Not that he's faultless. His act needs just a little more act!-J.H.

polish and quite a lot more laughs. But make no mistake -he's got what it takes.

It's not one of the best Prince of Wales Variety bills but I was pleasantly surprised by Joan Regan and the King Brothers. Dickie Valentine, of course, successfully followed his usual formula.—Bill Halden.

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Luypaers (Bruns); George Hamilton IV (HMV); Maureen Evans (Emb). (2) VOLARE (NEL BLU Dean Martin Capitol

DIPINTO DI BLU) ROBBINS
Ronald Chesney (HMV); Alan Dale (MGM); Charlie Drake (Par); Rikki Henderson (Emb); Joe Loss (HMV); Marino Marini (Dur); McGuire Sistem (V-Cor); Domenico Modugno (Orl); Nelson Riddle (Cap); Lita Rosa (P-Nix); Anne Shelton (Phi); Cyril Stapleton (Dec); Jimmy Young (Col).

(10) KING CREOLE **Elvis Presley** BEVENTEEN SAVILE ROW

(3) WHEN Brunswick Kalin Twins BOUTHERN Barry Barnett (HMV) ; Johnny Worth (Emb).

(4) BIRD DOG **Everly Brothers** London ACUFF-ROSE Paul Rich (Emb).

(12) MOVE IT Cliff Richard Columbia (7) BORN TOO LATE HMV Poni-Tails CHAPPELL

(6) POOR LITTLE FOOL Ricky Nelson London COMMODORE-IMPERIAL Paul Rich (Emb).

(5) RETURN TO ME BOUTHERN Denny Dennis (Emb). (14) A CERTAIN SMILE 10 Johnny Mathis Fontana

ROBBINS Jones Boys (Col); Andy Russell (RCA); Paul Rich (Emb). (9) MAD PASSIONATE LOVE **Bernard Bresslaw** HMV

DUCHESS Durium **Marino Marini** (18) COME PRIMA (MORE THAN EVER)/VOLARE (NEL BLU DIPINTO DI

BLU)

PTERLING/ROBBINS

Come Prima Jackie Dennis (Dec); Joe Loss (HMV); Robert Earl (PhB; Edmund Hockridge (P-Nix); Tony Indiff (Col); Malcolm Vanghan (HMV); Norrie Paramor (Col); Jackie Rase (Fon); Eve Boswell (Par).

Dean Martin

Capitol

(-) IT'S ALL IN THE GAME Tommy Edwards BLOSSOM Nat "King" Cole (Cap). (8) FEVER Peggy Lee Capitol PHEUSS Little Willie John (Par). (16) IF DREAMS CAME TRUE Pat Boone London KORWIN

WESTERN MOVIES **Olympics** HMY ARDMORE AND BEECHWOOD (-) MY TRUE LOVE Jack Scott London 17 BOUTHERN (-) AM I WASTING MY TIME Frankie Vaughan Philips 18

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6. (6) RETURN TO ME (A) (2-) 7. (12) STUPID CUPID (A) (2)

L (7) ON THE STREET WHERE YOU LIVE (A) (2 %)

Chappell 8. (8) YOU NEED HANDS (B) (2/-)

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11. (16) MAD PASSIONATE LOVE (A) (2.-) Duchese 12. (11) MOON TALK (A) (2/-) Leeds

13. (10) LITTLE BERNADETTE (B)

14. (17) POOR LITTLE FOOL (A) (2-) Commodore-Imperial

15. (14) PATRICIA (A) (2/-) Letin-American 16. (20) BORN TOO LATE (A) (21-) Angio-Pic

17. (18) I COULD HAVE DANCED ALL NIGHT (A) (2 6)

18. (15) THE ONLY MAN ON THE ISLAND (A) (2-) .. Bros. 19. (--) COME PRIMA (MORE THAN EVER) (F) (2'-) .. Sterling

28. (18) DEVOTION (A) (2/-) A-American; B-British; F-Outers. (AM rights reserved.)

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Vic Damone—'a more mellow Sinatra'

SURPRISING how Vic Damone sounds like Sinatra at times—but Sinatra without the "edge" to his voice. A more mellow Sinatra, as it were.

This is not to suggest that Vic moulds himself on Frankie; it is just that they have a certain affinity of phrasing --particularly in the more romantic ballads.

Damone's forte seems to be songs of this category, and he excels him-self on "Closer Than A Kiss," a 12-in, LP on a 12-in. LP on which he is accompanied by Frank DeVol's Orchestra.

The mood is restful and relaxing throughout. Ver-dict: an ideal interlude for

dict: an ideal interlude for the starry-eyed.

Titles: Closer Than A Kiss; Out Of Nowhere; I Kiss Your Hand, Madam; We Kiss In A Shadow; Cuddle Up A Little Closer; A Toujours/You And The Night And The Music; Pre-lude To A Kiss; How Deep Is The Ocean; Day By Day; As Time Goes By; Close As Pages In A Book,

(Philips BBL7259)

Who's best?

Love In A Home is one of those cosy, sentimental songs that never fail to register with the more dewyeyed. The question is: who makes the saccharine lyric more acceptable — Mario Lanza, Bing Crosby, Doris Day, or the male vocalist with Lawrence Welk and his Champagne Music?
I personally plump for Crosby and Day.

Respective backings are Do You Wonder, a ballad on which Lanza again soars and roars: In The Good Old Summertime, a pleasant foil for Bing in his lightest mood; Blues In The Night, from the "Hooray For Holly-wood" Day LP; and Namely

(RCA1080, Bruns. 05760, Phi. 45-PB863, Coral Q72389.)

▶ Ted Heath

TED HEATH'S Volare March is hardly a march, but it is an engaging, swingy and unusual treatment of

by LAURIE HENSHAW

the catchy ballad that is driving everyone crazy.

Ted is more in the romantic Italian mood on More Than Ever. (Decca F11063)

Georgia Gibbs

GEORGIA GIBBS'S The Hula Hoop Song is, of course, a plug for the craze that is sweeping the States—and now Britain.

More appealing is Georgia's Keep In Touch, which is delivered against a L-A-cum-

rock beat. (Columbia 45-DB4201)

Carmen McRae

VHE smoky - voiced Carmen McRae is in typical top form on I'll Love You (Till I Die) — one of those give-all ballads—and Namely You.

(Brunswick 05761)

Dave King

DAVE KING'S relaxed rendering of Home—a tuneful revival from the early 'thirties— makes pleasant listening The Story is sung against

a swingy cha-cha beat. Both are recommended for King

(Decca F11061)

▶ Kirby Stone Four

THE Kirby Stone Four. "Baubles, Bangles And Beads," are in similar vein on Zing! Went The Strings Of My Heart and Let's Do It. (Philips 45-PB861)

You, a number packaged in the usual bubbly Welk > Lana Sisters

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THE Lana Sisters make a debut with Ring-A My Phone and Chimes Of Arcady. Both numbers are sung with attack against a swinging beat from Ken Jones and his

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You will find no mention of a so-called "collective work" in the Copyright Act of 1956. This Act expanded and revised the 1911 Copyright Act, which states that any work produced by the collaboration of two or more authors in which the contribution of each author is not separate from the contribution of the other author or authors, is "joint authorship." The whole point hinges on JOINT AUTHORS

" collective."

So if a lyric writer is responsible for the words of a song, and the composer the melody, then a song in this sense may be called "a collective work."
Thus for copyright purposes, if the lyric writer contributes the words only, he has his own copyright in those words.

Similarly the composer has the same for his melody. But

if either contributes to each In general use, we assume this to apply to the contents of a other's part of the song, then as joint authors, they are both owners of both words and newspaper, encyclopaedia, etc., where articles are "collected" from a varied set of contribumusic

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O The songwriters' coupon is withheld this week due to space

Presley pictured in New York

MDA ups committee

from 16 to 24

The London committee of the Music Directors' Association has been increased from 16 to 24 members. This was announced at the association's annual general meeting on Sunday.

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is held back -FANS WAIT PATIENTLY THE 5,000 members of the official Elvis Presley Fan Club— who breathlessly followed the news last week of their idol's arrival in Germany—are unlikely to launch a mass invasion of the Continent. PIONEERS ! IN SPACE Discreetly holding them in check are Jeanne Soward and Doug Surtees, president and co-president of the Club. Commented

Jeanne to the MM: "Elvis is trying to be a soldier and an ordinary guy. It wouldn't be fair to him for us all to rush over.

"In any case, it would be very difficult to arrange a party. Anything less than 500 in number wouldn't be worthwhile—and the fares would be prohibitive.

Doug and I may possibly go over some time before Christ-mas—but only if we get the per-mission of Elvis and his manager. Colonel Parker, first."

Britain ?-not yet Will Elvis come to Britain? Possibly, if he can get leave but that won't be likely for some while," adds Miss Soward.
"His work as a Tank Corps Commander will keep him busy. He's in the 3rd Armoured Division—their motto is 'Hell on Wheels,'"

Wheels."

While Presley has been busy with his Army duties in Friedberg, his less respectful admirers—and certainly the OEPPC would not number them among their

Deeps may star in

Hollick is joining Joe Loss.



THREE bandleaders expelled by the MU for playing at Wolverhampton's "colour-bar" Scala Ballroom, were re-admitted to the Unior.—and expelled again—within the space of two days. The leaders are Styx Wilkinson, Charles Wall and Jack Wilson.

At a special meeting on Sunday, the branch members called to hear an appeal by the expelled men voted by a majority of 31 to 8 to re-admit them.

But Mr. John Foreman, Midlands organiser, said on Tuesday that the three had not been entitled to appeal against their expulsion because before they lodged their appeal they had been automatically expelled for being over 30 weeks in subscription arrears.

'In arrears'

—and certainly the OEPPC would not number them among their members—have been whipping it up in Britain.

Teenagers rioted at the Astoria Cinema in the Old Kent Road on Sunday during the showing of "King Creole." Seats were slashed and the stuffing thrown ground. Police were called to restore order. three men wanted to rejoin the

Alma Cogan is wow in Johannesburg



and Dolls" opened in ire on Monday night. The American singing team the -started a three-week season 's Colony Restaurant, while is opened a week's engage-the nearby Astor Club.

The Barry Sisters, Merna (1.) and Claire, are pictured arriving at London Airport on Friday. They appear in "Sunday Night At The Palladium" this weekend. The Polka Dots—Don Riddell. Tony Mansell, Jimmy Walker and Fred Dachtler—are seen rehearsing at the Astor.

and at the Astor Club



Scala leaders

Mr. Foreman added that if the

Palladium season

Negotiations are nearing completion to bring the Deep River Boys back to Britain next summer—for the resident Palladium show.

Manager Ed Kirkeby told the MM: "If the deal materialises. We will fly to Britain next May and the show will run until pantomime in December."

Alma Cogan's smash - hit cabaret debut in Johannesburg has sparked off a demand for British song stars in South Africa.

Says Sydney Grace, of the Lew and Leslie Grade office: "The organisers are approaching us for more British artists — among them Dickie Valentine."

Jo'burg's "Rand Daily Mail" reports: "Alma is magnificent. What a personality!"

Guest Kenny Baker Kenny Baker will make a guest appearance at Brighton's Club Mambo on Monday. He will be featured with the resident trio at the association's annual appearance at Brighton's Club Mambo on Monday. He will be featured with the resident trio led by guitarist Cedric West.

Collins, Johnny Dankworth, Ted Heath, Ronnie Keene, Sid Phillips, Cyril Stapleton, Lew Stone, Bydney Thompson and Sid Wright.

Singer David Hughes will Canadian Television in December. TV cameras will be at work ford, the following day.

In The Cellar, Greek Street, on day and the day when his children Shaun and Katie are to be christened.

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Presley busy answering ques-tions at his embarkation

TOP arranger Ronnie Roul-lier flew to New York yesterday (Thursday) for a 16-day "look-around." He will be staying with Johnny Weed, the British pianist now play-ing with the Buddy Morrow Orchestra.



Remember " Southern Belle " Sheila Southern, 20-year-old singer frontpaged in the MM last week? Sheila's appearance on Sunday's "Music Shop" has already paid off. She has been signed by comedian-singer Dave King for his show on ATV's "Satur-day Spectacular" on November 8.

Golden awerd

PETER LEGH, resident at the Bolton Palais, has won the Gold Cup for being the outstanding Mecca band-leader during the last six months. Second was Charlie Bassett (Ritz, Manchester) and third, Billy Walker, (Casino, Birmingham).

THE Lana Staters appear on "Six-Five Special" tomorrow (Saturday). On Sunday they have a concert with Lonnie Donegan at the Odeon, St. Albans.

DALLAS BURDING, CLIFTON STREET, LONDON, E.C.2 Street Group will be seen on

EDMUND HOCKRIDGE, Joan Regan and Italy's Marino Marini Quartet appear in ATV's "Saturday Spectacular" this

DROMOTER Jimmy Tate presenting a triple benefit at Kew Boathouse on October 30, the proceeds to go to Joe Har-riott, Kenny Graham and Bob Wallis. LTOIST Dougle Drake and Wallis.

drummer Eddle Clayton join the Ken Mackintoch Orches-ROY KENTON opened at the Embassy Ballroom, Welling. tra on Monday in place of Johnny Hughes and Kenny Hol-lick. Hughes is to freelance and on Tuesday with a 13-piece band.

VERA LYNN starts a fort-WALLY FAWKES and his October 23. Sine will present guest stars each fortnight, Semprin being featured on the open-locumbus, Leeds, on October 17, ing show.



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HER MAJESTY the Queen is expected to attend a jazz concert during the Leeds Festival. She is expected to see one

of the two concerts present-

Two shows a day

Sid Millward and the Nitwits

have been added to the all-star bill for the London Palladium pantomime "Sleeping Beauty," which opens on December 23. Also in the show are Charlle Drake, Bernard Bresslaw, Ed-mund Hockridge and Bruce For-

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Week: Empire, Newcastle Jimmy RUSHING

Today Unit.

Chris Barber ing American blues singer Muddy Waters and the Jazz in car smash the concerts have been put back half-an-hour to

THE Chris Barber Band's 10- 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. to fit in day tour of Holland nearly with the Queen's schedule.

A surprise addition to the took place without Chris and singer Ottille Patterson.
Chris and Ottille were on their way to catch the boat at Harwich on Friday when their £3,000 Aston Martin DB2 collided with a tree and over-

Waters, the Duke Ellington Orchestra and Jimmy Rushing are the American stars of the Neither Chris nor Ottille was are the American stars of the most ambitious week of jazz ever planned by a British city. Shaken, they returned to London and caught a plane to join the band in Holland in time for the opening concert.

Harry Gold booked for Summer, 1959

Harry Gold has been rebooked for the 1959 summer season at Wallis's Cayton Bay Holiday Camp, and will return there with his septet next June.

On completion On completion of this year's season, he took over lead alto at the Prince of Wales Theatre, W.,

The show will feature Eric Robinson, Ronnie Hilton and playwright - songwriter Jack Poppleweil. Dance bands will also be fea-tured at a special Festival Club. at the start of the theatre's Variety season.

The concerts have been From Monday next, there will be two concerts a day. Featured on Monday and Saturday is the Ellit.gton Band; Tuesday and Wednesday—Rushing, the Humphrey Lyttelton Band and the Johnny Dankworth Orchestra; Thursday and Friday—Muddy Waters and the Jazz Today Unit.

Back to work for Frankie Vaughan

FRANKIE VAUGHAN returns from a holiday in the South of France on Wednesday, and the following day leaves for the States

The singer is travelling over to bring back Joseph McGrath, the 16-year-old boy who won a talent contest sponsored by Frankie and the Boys' Clubs of America.

Joseph will be appearing with Frankie when he stars in a National Association of Boys' Clubs concert at the Royal Festi-val Hall on October 20. NITWITS ADDED TO PALLADIUM PANTO

Star names

In addition, the show will also star Charlie Drake, the Beryl Stott Singers, the Vernon's Girls Choir, Joyce Shock, the King Brothers, Irene Handl, Geoff Love, Raymond Long, and comedian Ted Lune, of "Army Game"

comedy kick last weekend for his starring role in ATV's "Saturdey Spectacular." And he is pictured (above) trying some off - stage gagging watched by Petula Clark, who

'RETIRES

TRUMPET player Billy Smith
last week said "goodbye" to
London after 28 years and returned to his hometown of
Abroath, in Angus, Scotland.
A qualified chiropodist, he will
set up his own practice, but will
continue to play locally as well
as teach. For the past six years
he has taken an active part in
Ivor Mairants's Central School of
Dance Music. His first-ever pupil
was his nephew, trumpet star
Jimmy Deuchar.
Billy's name-band associations

Billy's name-band associations go back as far as Henry Hall's BBC Dance Band, and include the Love, Raymond Long, and comedian Ted Lune, of "Army Game"
TV fame.

The show will be telefilmed by ATV and a half-hour excerpt will be shown from 8.25 p.m. on Saturday, October 25.

BBC Dance Band, and include the bands of Ambrose. Sidney Lipton, and George Melachrino.

He is married to Miss Jonny Bailey, of the Leslie Roberts TV Silhouettes. His brother, Chick Smith, is one of Ireland's leading bandleaders.



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MM readers speak up!

MUST agree with Teddy Wallace on his criticism, last week, of our summer season bands. The Isle of Man had several which were not up to the standards you expect from

top-class bands.
At one hall, a well-known bandleader led the charge from the bandstand to the bar leaving a trio that was terrible to listen to. I wasn't the only one to walk out that night.—Jim Begg, Muirkirk, Ayrshire.

TEDDY WALLACE'S remarks cannot be applied to Ronnie Aldrich and the Squadronaires, who were spending their seventh consecutive season at the Isle of Man, or to Ken Mackintosh.—Derek Gamester, Harron PEDDY ster, Harrow.

SPENT a season working on a holiday camp. Often I considered the groups round where I live comparable to the camp bands. The camp musicians, in the main, seemed bored, anaemic and "clockwork."—D. B. Lord, Mytholmroyd, nr. Helifax.

IF the musicians carried on in the manner Teddy Wallace describes, I am sure they would have been sacked.—Len Clewley, London, N.6.

HOPE Teddy Wallace does not include the Geraldo Orchestra on his list. Whilst in

Every week the MM awards 12 in. LPs for lively letters. Write to the MELODY MAKER, 189 High Holborn, London, W.C.1.

Blackpool I saw the orchestra many times. Their appearance was immaculate and their tone and presentation admirable.— E. F. A. Barker, Lincoln.

IT is perhaps a little unfortunate that the MELODY MAKER published Mr. Teddy Wallace's ill-informed rubbish without first obtaining the facts from an organisation such as the Musicians Union the Musicians' Union.

The Association of Health and Pleasure Resorts, with whom the Union negotiates summer season rates and conditions for its members, alone represents well over one hundred holiday resorts. In addition, there are many others, such as holiday camp proprieaddition, there are many others, such as holiday camp proprietors, who are not members of the Association. Yet during the course of the season we have received not one complaint from the Association or elsewhere about the kind of behaviour of which Mr. Wallace alleges musicians have been so widely guilty.

Neither have our district organisers, there are eight, six of whom concentrate much of their efforts around the coast during the summer season, found much evidence to support Mr. Wallace's lurid description of his former colleagues' behaviour. Many professional musicians have been re-engaged for the next summer, or, at least, contracts have been issued to their music directors.

to their music directors.

Mr. Wallace need not therefore be "positively ashamed" of his "connections with the music business."—Harry Francis, assistant secretary, Musicians' Union, London, SW1.

PLEASE congratulate Teddy Wallace on his outspoken comments. — Jack Stewart, London, N.W.10.

What do YOU think?

Tops

COULD you please tell me how many weeks the LP "My Fair Lady," by Shelly Manne and his Friends has either topped or ran second in the top EPs and LPs section

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With mitts

WHY does Steve Race keep ramming Brubeck down our throats? Surely it is one's personal taste that counts, and to me Brubeck sounds as if he has mitts on. Give me Oscar Peterson every time.—Cyril G. Ford, West Bromwich.

@ See?

Some pop!

I DEPLORE the fact that the MM has changed from a jazz to a pop policy. Last week's photo of Sheila Southern on the front page was the limit.—E. Hutchinson, Yorks.

P.S. Would you please send me a photo of same?

Pop fan, eh?

Ambition

AFTER three - and - a - half years I have finally had my ambition realised! I met Frankie Vaughan in his dress-ing-room at the Brighton

HATS off to trumpet star Cat Anderson heard high notes like his?—F. Bertram, London, N.W.6.

To For you, a picture of Cat.

There is not a way a sinceral parent. in your paper? — David Hippodrome. There is not a Murphy, Whitley Bay. more sincere person. — Miss • The disc topped the section Helen Hall, Coventry.

• Who said you need money in the bank, Frank?

Praise

HIMIOTORIA Why do we hear so many visiting American jazz stars praising British jazz musicians and so many British critics doing exactly the opposite?—I. S. G. Hann, Cardiff.

• What's that saying about familiarity breeding something? LP WINNER.

Why? THURSDAY THE

I FAIL to understand why Duke Ellington, who is respected by millions for his never-ending contributions to jazz, persists in featuring the violin as a solo instrument.—
G. F. Kearsley, Newcastle.

Duke's great

Maybe he likes it.

BEFORE the self-appointed jazz critics start pulling Duke Ellington's opening concerts to pieces I should like to thank the Duke for giving me the greatest musical thrill of my life.—John Harrison, London, N.W.3.

What more can you say?

Dislikes INTERNATION OF THE PERSON OF T

World: 1. Those out-of-this world: 1. Those out-of-this world angelic voices that feature in many recordings. 2. The monotonous off-beat from a drummer in a slow rock number. 3. The piercing, clanging noise from over-amplified guitars.—A. Midgley, Hartlepool.

Any others? LP WINNER.

If they criticise Duke may get violent!

THE visit of Duke Ellington brings yet another living legend into our midst. The semi-myth becomes fact. And many preconceived ideas will be shattered to be replaced by a rather more concrete impression.

Some will be shocked—indeed, the old familiar cries were to be heard during the two opening London concerts. "Too much comedy! . Not enough jazz! . Why didn't he do this . . . or that?"

Those who went to hear "the first serious jazz composer" were no doubt startled to be confronted with a sophisticated entertainer who treated his audience, his orchestra and himself with an air of urbane

frivolity. One of the most salutary effects of these visits by American Jazz giants is the drastic spring cleaning of

legendary cobwebs. Jazz mythology is fine in its way. It does us no harm to believe that, on a clear night, Buddy Bolden could be heard 3, 5, 10 miles away across Lake Ponchartrain (though in irreverent moments we may well ask what the people standing 10 ft. away felt about it).

Who started it?

I often wonder how the process of historical selection which goes to make up a legend begins. Who first told who that when the newly joined Lil Hardin asked King Oliver about the key of a number, he said: "You're a musician, ain't you? Hit it, gal! "?

And why did they not go on to say, as is probable, that Lil played a four-bar intro in A flat and the band came in in C?

Legend records how King

savs

blocks away with a (pre-sumably) ear-splitting blues. It does not record what Jones said when he found himself left in the basement beating it out in B flat on his todd.

But, hush! These legends are inviolable. Their heroes are dead and it is an altogether harmless and endearing human tendency to picture them slightly larger than life. than life.

Legend about living artists is a different matter. It has grown up in the unnatural climate brought about by dis-tance and the MU ban, when our knowledge and judgment of musicians was based almost exclusively on gramophone records. And we have seen over and over again how discrepancy between the legend and reality has led to impaired judgment and bewilderment.

Louis Armstrong, Lionel Hampton, Earl Hines, Eddle Condon—all have met criti-cism for being themselves and failing to conform to mythical roles.

You may be sure it will happen with Duke, too. If so, I hope in the interests of public order that I am out of earshot. For, after the two opening concerts by one Oliver, hearing his musicians praising rival "cornetists," of the most perfect musical combinations in the world, I "Beat it out in B-flat. Jones," and walked out into the street to seduce the customers from clubs several of earshot. For, after the two opening concerts by one combinations in the world, I remain in a state of enjoyment into which carping the customers from clubs several risk of violence.

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Process.

This world of jazz

OFTEN I have marvelled at the American jaxx musicians' capacity for admiring their rivals. And last week, spending several hours with Joe Newmon's sextet in London, I was again struck by this unfailing responsiveness.

We had hardly started the first airport drink before the glories of Ellington's band were being extolled by these Basie men (even Nat Pierce is a kind of Basie man—unofficial deputy pianist).

It was accepted that time was needed for warming-up operations on certain jobs. But when those guys start hitting, then it's something else entirely," was the was general verdict.

Strong Sweets

THAT Duke would come up for appraisal at this time was, of course, a foregone conclusion.

Less certain, but not unex-pected because of Jimmy Rush-ing's advance tidings, was the enthusiasm manifested for Harry Edison's quintet at Bird-land land

With the former Basie trumpeter are tenor saxophonist Jimmy Forrest, pianist Jimmy Jones, bassist Joe Benjamin and drummer Charlie Persip. I gathered that it was the most driving, closely knit, directly

communicative quintet to be heard in months.

Frank Wess, Nat Pierce and Joe Newman were ardent appreciators of Edison's playing.

"Sweets was blowing so much and swinging so strong." I was told, "that it was hard work following him at Birdland. Shoot! Five pieces against our 16 and they didn't want to let us on."

Wess took up the tale on

Wess took up the tale on behalf of Forrest, "You know— the guy that did 'Night Train'; worked with Ellington and all the bands. Been around a long while but not been a long while, but not been written-up much. Man, that cat is swinging up there. He's

a bad man, I'm telling you."
A great many jazz musicians,
despite the propaganda about
dignity and John Gillespie, do speak in this vein. And very effective it is, though less so when seen in print.

Just swinging

REFLECTING upon Forrest's merits, Wess downed a king-size cognac and explained:

king-size cognac and explained:
"He's forceful but calm."
He went on: "Not cool, you understand, but not exerting himself. Just swinging all the time. Man, I'm going to have to steal that cat's New York card. Got to stop him swinging some way."
Laughing at this pleasant thought, he said: "I used to get hung up all the time listening. Everyone else was listen-

ing. Everyone else was listen-ing, too, and the place was crowded. Normally, when the big band would come off people would drift away. But with Sweets, everyone stays. "Sometimes I was late com-

ing out through that-couldn't get my horns together. I was

communicative quintet to be in there getting ready when heard in months.

Bam! That band was kick-ing up so much hell I just had

Someone had reported to Basic that Sweets "wasn't going to let them on" and was "blow-ing his bell off out there." Basic, looking wise as usual, had said: "I hear them."

And the big band had to start punching at once. "If we played something soft to begin with." Wess recalled with awe, "we were wasted."

A pistol

LATER in the morning, when Nat Pierce and Al Grey called on Rushing, there was similar talk.

Is Edison still breaking it up at Birdland? . . . Ain't he a pistol?" And "Yes, he's giving Stan Kenton a hard time now. . . . Hear what I say, he's got the people tapping their feet."

Most telling of though, was all, though, one musician's account of how he listened respect-fully to the Ken-

ton band, then Edison's.
"I admire the musicianship,
but Stan always seems to be
saying to me: 'Where is it? It's
round here somewhere. Where

"Then Edison comes out— bam, bam, bam—and the first bars answer: 'Here it is!'"

U.S clusters

THE past eight or nine days must have seen more U.S. time in history.

Apart from Rushing and the

Newman band, there is the entire Ellington organisation clustered around Piccadilly.

Muddy Waters —the greatest

"SYLVIO'S," in Chicago, "Come home," he said. x has always been a "We'll have a talk. I get x up at twelve and go back to x bed at two. Come any x time between."

Big Maceo, Sonny Boy Williams, Sunnyland Slim crowded home: Muddy's x wife his piano player's and many others.

Kokomo Arnold used to have his headquarters a little bit further across the street and the Cotton Club was almost next door.

was almost next door.

These days the street is dark and deserted, but Sylvio's still jumps. On weekends, two bands are featured. Each time I went there they were those of Elmore James and Muddy Waters.

Muddy Waters, due in Britain next week, is one of the strongest musical personalities you can meet today in the USA.

His usual band has tenor, har-

His usual band has tenor, har-

monica, piano, two electric guitars (including himself), bass and drums. They play a loud, solid type of R and B music. Muddy sings.

I had a word with him there

and he gave me his address.

And remnants of the "Jazz From Carnegie" unit hit town

J. J. Johnson, Red Garland and Zoot Sims came in from

the Continent on Monday, left

for the States the following night. Phineas Newborn arrived late on Monday, is hoping to

The rest are scattered about Europe still.

"London is quite a swinging city, and I hope to return soon,"

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early this week.

Johnson told me.

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time between."

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"Your name is McKinley Morganfield," I said. "Where does the Muddy Waters come from?"

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He grinned, looked x through the window as if x his mind was going back to Clarksdale.

"Well, I guess, because I x was always playing in the x mud. So I got the name x when I was a kid and it x stuck.

"I was a farmer and x made my first recording in x Clarksdale in 1939, for the x made my first recording in Clarksdale in 1939, for the Library of Congress. Then in 1942 I decided to take a chance.
"I got into Chicago in

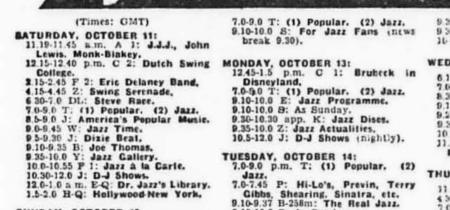
"I got into Chicago in x
1943 and started to work x
here with the other blues x
musicians. I recorded with x
Little Walter, St. Louis x
Jimmy, Sunnyland Slim, x
Little Junior Wells, Jimmy x
Rodgers and Sonny Boy x
Williams."

Muddy added that he x
was looking forward to his x

Muddy added that he x was looking forward to his x British tour. Let's hope x that he won't regret it, x because he is undoubtedly x one of the world's greatest x thus singers tlues singers.

Yannick Bruynoghe S

BUNDAY, OCTOBER 12: 4.0-4.15 p.m. A 1 2: French Jaszmen.



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I personally find the album disappointing. It compares unfavourably with the earlier version, issued here by HMV on 12 in. 78s. completely omitting my own favourite sections, including the "West Indian Dance," "Emancipation Day" and "The Blues."

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What remains is an uneven hodge-podge made up from "Work Song" and "Come Sunday" with Mahalia Jackson's reading of the 23rd Psalm tacked

As with any Ellington work, it contains much that is superb, but its moments of greatness are sandwiched between second-rate reminiscences of Debussy and Delius

EUROPEAN INSPIRATION

That is where personal prejudice enters the picture in the form of my own dislike of the Romantics. I can see no satisfactory reason for such an original genius as Ellington touching his cap to European composers in a work said to be a "musical history of the Negro." a "musical history of the Negro in America."

I am equally prejudiced against
Nance's violin.
On the credit side are some
superb Harry Carney, excellent
Baker and Anderson (with plunger) and Mahalia Jackson.
Mahalia's authoristics.

Mahalia's authoritative voice sweeps majestically through her section of "Come Sunday" backed by bowed bass and "organ scoring" for the band.

The Psalm is treated with due reverence, but seems out of place in the suite as a whole—a typical Mahalia Gospel song would surely have been more effective. To sum up, the album proves that even Ellington has his lesser moments, although even they are camouflaged by superb performance.—Bob Dawbarn.

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Messrs. Manne and Mitchell make a sympathetic rhythm feam

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and cope with their solo spots adequately.—Bob Dawbarn.

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Welsh and Hunt dues on "Honey Babe" (labelled "Someday Sweetheart" on my copy), and their easy, tuneful playing here would be proof on its own of the remarkable development of local traditionalists in recent years. Semple, too, shines on his "Sugar Babe" solo, which fluctuates between Hall and Pee Wee, "Tia Juana" (labelled "Honey Babe") rolls along pleasantly, helped by solos from clarinet, trombone, piano, and trumpet: "Someday Sweetheart" (labelled "Tia Juana") brings trombone and plano satisfactorily into prominence; and "King Porter," one of the liveliest pieces, features shouting ensembles and some biting solos.

Morton's "Kansas City" and "Sideralk" are generally higher the

(b)—Semple (cit.); pno., bass, drs. as above. 24/2/58. Do. (Do.) (d)—Welsh (tpt.); Hunt (pno.). 3/3/58. Do. (Do.) Morton's "Kansas City" and
"Sidewalk" are generally bright
and well swung while a furious
"Dippermouth" shows the †Erroneously labelled "Kansas City, THIS capable, well - sprung band, which gave us the attractive "Dixieland To Duke" amount of contemporary Condon influence in this band's make-up.



Annie Ross (above), with Dave Lambert and Jon Hendricks, sings 10 Basic arrangements—voice taking the place of instruments. The recording surpasses all expectations, says Max Jones.

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LP last year, again sounds influence in this band's make-up. If the least year, again sounds flexible and well-rehearsed on "The Melrose Folio." The idea behind the album— original, and the final breaks it has a sleeve note by Walter Melrose—enables the band to able abandon.—Max Jones.

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Kansas City Stomps† (a); Sidewalk Blues (a); Sugar Babo (b); Dippermouth Blues (b); King Porter Stomp (c); Some Day, Sweetheart (c); Honey Babe (d); Tia Juana (a).

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Much remains to be said. Sam Woodyard, a little taut at first, swung hard most of the time.

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Rushing and the Lyttelton Band are set for a four-day con-cert tour of Switzerland from November 7 to 10, playing Geneva, Zurich, Berne and Bas'e.

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"Six - Five



Two of the stars of last Sasurday's "Six - Five Special"—Lita Roza and Ray Ellington — are pictured (above) on the set at the BBC's Riverside Studios. Other stars in the show included Jim Dale, the Mudlarks, and newcomer Mike Preston. Preston.

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Duke Ellington, who made his British TV debut on AR-TV's "Late Extra" on Tuesday, has been lined up for two more TV appearances.

Producer Humphrey Burton will present the Duke in BBC-TV's "Monitor" on Sunday with Humphrey Lyttelton and the Johnny Dankworth Orchestra.

Yesterday (Thursday), Ellington was interviewed by Sandy Turner backstage at the Gaumont, Southampton, for Southern TV's "Southern Affairs" on Sunday.

This will be the first time that

Tommy has played these towns.
As reported last week, he appears at the Odeon, Nottingham in attract (November 4), and the Gaumont. Southampton (6th, 7th and 8th). On November 17, Tommy starts rehearsal for his pantomime "Cinderella," which is being staged at the London Collseum.

JAZZ SHOW FOR **CLUB FOUNDER**

A jazz concert in memory of the late Madge Whitehouse— founder and Chairman of the Midland Jazz Club—is to be held Birmingham Hippodrome on

Sunday. Among those taking part will be the Second City Jazzmen, the New Orleans Jazzmen, the Golden Era Jazz Band. Murray Smith's Jazzmen, Brian Woolley's Jazzmen, Mick Mulligan's Band with George Melly, and guest stars.

BBC producer who helped jazz . . .

BBC producer Pat Dixon died in St. George's Hospital. London, on Wednesday. He was 56.

In a tribute singer Benny Lee—who appeared in his Bernard Braden programmes—described him as "the greatest friend jazz musicians ever had."

Dixon was responsible for the early series of broadcasts by the

early series of broadcasts by the Ted Heath Band back in 1945.

The Modern Way

The BBC are to air a special transcription by Vie Ash and his Music to America on October 28. The group will be heard in the Light Programme's "Music In The Modern Manner" on Octo-ber 17. ber 17

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"He wanted some sort of guarantee contractually that Marty would have certain positions in the running order of the shows—opening numbers, finales, and such.

Marty Wilde's verdict: "I am not unhappy about leaving the

RUBY MURRAY IS 'MUCH BETTER'

SINGER Ruby Murray was taken ill while rehearsing at Wood Green studios for ATV's "Saturday Spectacular" last weekend. She was rushed to hospital and operated on that same night for appendicitis.

Ruby, in the private wing of St. Mary's, Paddington, was making satisfactory progress as we closed for press.

Kalins on 6.5

Stars appearing on "Six-Pive Special" tomorrow (Saturday) include the Kalin Twins, Laurie London, Don Rennie, Joan Small, Vince Eager, the Lana Sisters and Martin Lukins and his Accordion

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