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Stevie's Secret out at last

AFTER A long wait and much delay, Motown is to release Stevie Wonder's Journey Through The Secret Life Of Plants (TMSP 6009) on Friday November 2. This date was confirmed by EMI after the complete tapes and master for the long-awaited double set were flown over from LA by a member of the

over from LA by a memoer of the Motown staff there.

Three hours after the plane landed, Motown general manager David Hughes had delivered the lacquer to EMI's Hayes factory and the production process was beginning.

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Now a massive marketing campaign is being put in motion. marketing campaign is being put in motion.
For the first time ever, double page
ads with the print embossed on to it
will appear in the trade press. Ads
will also appear in the national and
consumer music press. All ads will
carry the GPO's Teleguide number,
enabling consumers to hear parts of the album. There will also be extensive window displays.

The six month campaign will later feature radio spots plus TV ads which are being planned as part of "an unusual deal with the Woolworth's chain."

K-tel's Xmas catalogue

THOUGH ITV should return to the screens this week, K-tel is going ahead with additional marketing schemes devised to let consumers know what K-tel is offering this

Christmas.
Under the banner "Make It A Record Christmas With K-tel'', 10 million homes will receive a specially delivered four-page, four-colour catalogue that contains photographs and full details of all K-tel products available this autumn. Among the albums featured are The Best Of The Moody Blues, Together — 18 Great Songs To Be Together With and LPs from Harry Nilsson, Don Williams and Elvis Presley.

and Elvis Presley.

K-tel's managing director, Colin Ashby, told MW: "We are making a direct pitch for the Christmas market, and I believe that, as always, K-tel is ahead of the marketing game. The distribution, using an outside agency, starts on November 5 and is costing around November 5 and is costing around £150,000. If it generates sales, it should prove a useful addition to TV

advertising.
"We are not moving into mail order. The idea is to inform consumers about the latest K-tel product that is available at their local record dealers."

Unanimous thumbs up for Dealer Tour

THE SECOND Music Week Dealer Tour ended with a flourish on two consecutive nights at Kensington Town Hall last week. The numbers of visitors to these London dates for both nights, but particularly for the first on Wednesday, drew descriptions from exhibitors which were suited to a Kate Bush lyric—'incredible' and 'unbelievable' were the adjectives most frequently applied to the crowds of dealers, multiples and independents, and music business guests.

As head of a newly-independent label which does not have its own sales force, MCA's Roy Featherstone summed up his impressions of the first Dealer Tour he has attended as "extremely worthwhile, and certainly beneficial"." beneficial."

"All of He added: participating staff have welcomed the opportunity to present our MCA and Infinity artists' product to the dealers before the start of the busy autumn period, and we were very pleased to discuss frankly some of the industry problems affecting not only the dealer but the manufacturers and distributors. As a result, we will be implementing a number of dealers' ideas."

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MCA was very happy with the reception its sampler LP, compiled especially for distribution to dealers attending the tour, received. They are already looking forward to next year's tour.

Also attending for the first time was Wynd-Up, and sales director Leslie O' Meara felt that the decision take a stand had been well

to take a stand had been well justified by events. "The success started at Brighton with the first date and it was all plain sailing from there." he commented.

there, "he commented.

Robin Wood, general manager of
Chappells Publication Division,
regarded his company's
participation at the London dates not only as a huge success, but as very timely. "We are finding a greatly increased interest in music books among dealers, so many of whom say they had never thought of stocking the books which go with big-selling albums, but are now doing so. We have taken on about 200 new accounts with record dealers over the past four months, and interest in printed music folios is growing. As far as we are concerned, coming on the tour has been marvellous."

The most thumbed book on Chappell's handsome dealer display stand was the latest collection of wit and whimsy from Dame Edna Everage (with its endorsement from Prince Charles, one of her greatest fans). The book was published on the date of the London tour finale, and with only one copy for everyone to see, the Chappell's executives on the stand were keeping a close eye on

One of the record company men One of the record company men who had attended every single tour date (and was privately wondering how difficult it would be to return to normal record company routine) was Chrysalis sales manager Robbie Hart, who adjudged it "a good tour, with the very best dates being the



MUSIC WEEK'S retail subscribers have been reading for years of deals signed by record companies, but in an historic ceremony in London last week hundreds of dealers witnessed the signing of a contract for themselves. The occasion was one of Music Week's Dealer Tour exhibitions at the Kensington Town Hall, chosen by EMI to announce the signing of the New Seekers. Sitting on "the biggest contract in the world" is EMI MOR manager Vic Lanza, wielding the giant pencil is Marty Kristian and kneeling are new New Seekers girls Nicola Kerr and Caitriona Walsh. At the back are Brian Engel and Paul Layton and looking on — representing the many trade visitors present — is Record Merchandisers buyer and product manager Dave Buckley. The New Seekers' first EMI single, Love Is A Song (5010), is released this Friday. Seekers' first EMI single, Love Is A Song (5010), is released this Friday.

newly added ones."

The biggest contingent of record company executives to attend was that from EMI, which included Vic Lanza, EMI MOR general manager. He commented: "We covered every date and we've found the tour to be date and we vibilite to the four of very useful. There's been a good exchange of ideas, dealers have been very informative, and it's good to discuss ways with them of inducing customers to buy more product."

Tony Morris, Polydor MD, also felt that the tour's greatest value for him had been the opportunity to hear dealers' ideas first hand, and he added that he had already been able to take action on some of the points made to him. He concluded: "This made to him. He concluded: "This tour has shown me that what dealers rate as being of paramount importance, and what they want most of all, is good service."

Many exhibitors and visiting dealers all over the country commented that the second tour had proved the value of the whole idea were better than the first.

by being even better than the first. As DJM MD Stephen James said: "This has been even better than last year, and an indispensable way of getting to thousands of dealers in three weeks. We've been on it to inform the trade about DJM and sell product, and also get some TO PAGE 4

A&M leading singles label

LEADING SINGLES for the July-

LEADING SINGLES for the July-September quarter in the Music Week market survey was A & M with 6.0 per cent of the market, followed by Polydor with 5.3 per cent and Virgin with 5.0 per cent.

Top album label was CBS with 7.5 per cent, followed by Polydor (5.6 per cent) and Warners (5.0 per cent). In the companies' album share, EMI just scraped to the top with 17.9 per cent compared to WEA's 17.7 per cent and CBS' 15.7 per cent. Leading singles company was WEA with 20.2 per cent, followed by EMI with 18.2 per cent and CBS with 13.5 per cent. with 13.5 per cent.

The figures show WEA gaining

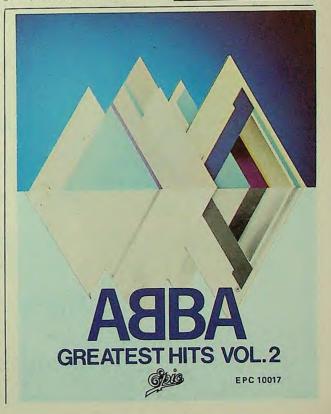
arket share for singles compared to the previous quarter and last year, and EMI and CBS both losing ground. WEA also shows gains in the albums share with EMI and CBS

again slipping.

The market survey is compiled from the British Market Research Bureau's singles and albums charts and is reproduced in full on page 6.

Freeman move

FORMER BBC Disc jockey Alan FORMER BBC Disc jockey Alan Freeman will be back on the air before Christmas — with Radio Luxembourg. Since leaving his Radio One Saturday afternoon rock programme last year he has taken his own roadshow around the country and deputised for taken his own roadsnow around the country and deputised for holidaying Nieky Horne on Capital. This will be his first permanent radio slot since leaving Radio One.



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EDP forms new label

ELECTRONIC DREAM Plant Ltd, long known as the manufacturers of the WASP synthesiser, have branched out and formed a new record label, and formed a new record label, Wake-Up Records. The aim is to produce "high quality records with a low retail price".

The label is being run from the label is being run

The label is being run from EDP's "cottage industry" premises at Combe, near Woodstock in Oxfordshire, where the facilities include a 16-track studio and an artists' design studio as well as a production line.

The plan is to keep the price of

The plan is to keep the price of Wake-Up releases down by doing all production, recording, pressing, sleeve printing, packaging and distribution inhouse. Debut Wake-Up single is Love Dance by the Androids, from an LP Disco Dream and the Androids, but the commany. Androids, but the company intends to release various kinds of music apart from disco.

EMI earmarks £300,000 for **TV** albums

A BUDGET of £300,000 has been earmarked for the promotion of 20 Golden Greats by Diana Ross (EMTV 21), EMI's next TV-promoted album release on November 2.

a presentation at the Selfridge Hotel in London on Monday, the company disclosed its plans and films for this and other TV album product featuring both group and licensed product up to the end of December.

is hoped that the present ITV dispute will be resolved in time for the Diana Ross release, which will get national TV promotion from November 5 and from November 5 and throughout the month, The star herself appears in the 45-second film clip, and there is point-of-sale support available for the retail trade on the album.

The presentation also included the commercials filmed for All Aboard, the Children's Album, Manfred Mann's Semi-Detached Suburban, and The Last Dance, an album of Motown ballads. None of these commercials have been used yet because of the ITV blackout.

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JIMMY PURSEY has signed a contract as a solo artist with Polydor and, at the same time, has extended his Sham 69 contract with the company. Pictured cementing the deal are Polydor managing director A J Morris and Jimmy

Stewart compilation

STRIKE PERMITTING, a new Rod Stewart compilation will be PERMITTING, a new Rod Stewart compilation will be promoted on television throughout the country between November 21 and December 16. Called Rod Stewart's Greatest Hits (Volume 1), and featuring material from the last nine years personally selected by Stewart, the LP will be subjected to a £300,000 TV promotional composition. promotional campaign.

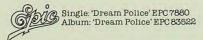
promotional campaign.
Catalogue number of the album is RODTV 1 (cassette RODTV 4-1) and the TV campaign is said to be the biggest that WEA has been connected with — it will reach more than 90 per cent of the homes in the UK. In addition, there will be a national radio campaign starting on October 31, including all the major stations, and full merchandising aids will be made available to all dealers including window and door posters, and window flashes. There will also be national and music areas advantising. will also be national and music press advertising.

Stewart is currently in the UK and will be making various TV

appearances to promote the album, prior to rehearsing with his band for a new studio album. Riva Records' director Bill Stonebridge commented: "All the tracks on the Greatest Hits Album have attained Top Five status in the UK and there are five Number Ones included."



From the chart album 'Dream Police' comes the title track, destined to be a hit single. Don't just dream about it stock up and



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£1m ads budget for BASF

ALREADY THE leading advertiser among blank tape manufacturers BASE is ALREADY 1 HE leading advertiser among blank tape manufacturers BASF is planning to spend £1 million in 1980. Spending in 1978 was £600,000 and this year will be £750,000. As the biggest spender in the market BASF plans to use TV for a total of four months this year nationally, and it is estimated that 90 per cent of all adults will see a BASF commercial on average 12 times this year.

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In a summary of its position in the cassette market, BASF states its intention
of gaining 25 per cent of blank tape cassette sales in the UK by 1981, to which
end it is employing "the most aggressive advertising policy in the industry"
Market research is backing the ad campaign, indicating among other things
that the blank tape market is mainly young, with a strong male bias (almost
three times as many men as women buy blank cassettes). BASF also declares
itself to be the most widely stocked single brand, and the one which comes out top in consumer brand awareness surveys.

Sales volume during 1978 reportedly increased 60 per cent, and at least 50 per cent growth is expected this year. A trend for the 1980s will be growth in multi pack sales, and this autumn BASF plans the launch of the first ever TV campaign for multi packs.

New releases round-up tape for radio stations

A NEW promotion link between record companies and radio stations has been set up by Pendulum Management in association with producer Phil Swern, Tony Blackburn and Alan Freeman.

Swern is producing a weekly cassette of extracts from new record company product with linking commentary by Alan Freeman. The companies are charged £30 a spot and the tapes are mailed to 200 media people, including BBC and independent radio and TV disc jockeys and producers throughout

the country.

Called Audio Release, the cassettes are mailed with an accompanying programme sheet detailing artist, title and label and this week's contains 21 titles from 15

labels. Each track gets about one and a half minutes of playing time and Freeman's links give a potted information plug for each.

information plug for each.

"Since we started Audio Release eight weeks ago we have had a tremendous response from radio and TV people who find it useful for programme planning," says Swern who is producing the tapes in addition to his responsibilities as head of A&R at DJM Records.

Audio Release is being operated from Pendulum Management's offices (01.486 0896).

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A&M and Oval in 'amicable' split

OVAL RECORDS ended its licensing deal with A&M Records last week in what was described as an "amicable" split. But two of its artists, The Secret and Shrink will remain on A&M rather than Oval.

The end of the partnership means that Oval, run by DJ Charlie Gillett, will run as a totally independent company with co-MD Gordon Nelki and manager Charlie McKissack. Its product will be distributed by Spartan.

artan.
"We and A&M decided that it wasn't working," said Gillett. "If something does work we will do it. We are exploring alternative pressing and distribution suitable for our label."

An A&M spokesman added: "The production deal has come to an end,

production deal has come to an end, it is just that."

Meanwhile, Bobby Henry remains on the label, along with Ed Sirrs—who has a single released shortly entitled 1 Think Too Much—ABC and Kevin Armstrong's Local Heroes. Charlie Gillett was responsible for the first broadcasts Elvis Costello, Dire Straits, Darts and Graham Parker on his Radio

Lightning man strikes

AFTER LEAVING Lightning and setting up his own record label, Laser, Alan Davison has now moved into record retailing by buying Tudor Records in Muswell Hill, North London. The business has been owned and run for many years by Mr. and Mrs. W. Gold.

Davison commented: "I've always liked to be close to retailing, and wanted to take on an existing business which was thriving. I have been thinking about buying Tudor Records for some time."

David Smith will be staying on as manager, and Craig Hopps, formerly with Lightning and later Spartan and Linda Sardinha, will be joining shop staff. Alex Sardinha who is working on Laser product distribution in the Greater London area will be based at Tudor, but the Laser office cannot be accommodated there — although it is seeking new premises.



WILD HORSES, the band featuring ex-Thin Lizzy guitarist Brian Robertson WILD HORSES, the band featuring ex-Inin Lizzy guitarist Brian Robertson and Jiminy Bain, has signed to the EMI International label worldwide long term. A debut single is released in November, with an album and extensive tour to follow in the New Year. Pictured at the signing (1 to 1) standing: Martin Barter (label manager), Chris O'Donnell (manager), Clive Edwards (Wild Horses), Jim Howell (marketing manager), Neil Carter (Wild Horses) and Mike Harvey (general manager LRD). Seated: Brian Robertson, Alan Kaupe (LRDM) and Jimin Rein.

Video factory for UK

THE VIDEODISC will be manufactured in Britain next year with facilities completed at the Philips Mullard factory in Blackburn ready for an expected full launch of the disc systems in 1981.

Pilot production will begin in the second half of 1980, and Philips has announced that it will primarily operate to produce softwear for independent producers in this independent producers in this country, although there will only be a limited number of videodisc machines around for demonstration purposes before the launch into the market in 1981.

spokesman. "Somebody has got to start the ball rolling. We will be pressing British material from the record industry, the TV industry and the private companies. It will stimulate the business."

The plant makes colour televisions, employing about 200 people, although it does not look like any extra staff will be employed. But the move indicates the faith Philips has put behind the videodisc.

Thumbs down to RRP

THE USE of RRPs in double pricing is generally against the consumer interest. This is the opinion of the National Consumer Council in its comments on the recently published Government Green Paper on restrictive practices

However, the report adds: "RRPs may be helpful in some sections of trade and the NCC has no objection to their use in principle . . . Price comparisons which draw attention to real price differences are helpful to consumers and encourage effective competition."

Another point the council makes echoes the argument regularly put forward by record retailers who are

in favour of the abolition of RRP on music product. "There is no way of ensuring that RRPs are set at levels which are relevant to the actual prices being charged in the market place," it says. Further: "All too manufacturers often. recommended retail prices at levels which are unrealistically high, in order to provide a reference level for bogus 'discounts' by retailers.''

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"It will be a multi-million pound investment," said a Philips

P&D deal for Faulty

PYE RECORDS has signed a pressing and distribution deal with Faulty Products — the company responsible for giving bands like Squeeze, The Police and Sham 69 their original success on record.

The deal covers all of Faulty's labels — Illegal, Stepforward, Deptford Fun City, Kryptone Records and Fashion Music — and also covers the existing back-catalogue.

First release on October 19 under the deal is the second album from Manchester band The Fall, called Dragnet, issued to tie-in with the band's current UK tour. Catalogue number is Stepforward SFLP4. November 2 sees the re-release of three earlier singles in picture bags. They are Police's first single, Fall Out (IL 001), Sham 69 and I Don't Wanna, available in both seven and 12-inch (Stepforward SF4) and Squeeze's Cat On A Wall (DFC 01).

Also released on the same day is the debut single by Mick Dorey And The Sirens, Paranoia Station (ILS 0016) and an EP, Spoonfed And Writhing by Lemon Kittens (SF10). Future releases include an album from The Cramps, Songs The Lord Taught Us, and Wazmo Nariz's Things Ain't Right.

GARY NUMAN releases his follow up to Cars on November 16 with Complex. Taken from The Pleasure Principle album, it contains a live version of Bombers on the B side. The original version of Bombers is also available together with his first single, That's Too Bad, in a gatefold sleeve. The Carpettes have the first single released on the label, too Don't Mean It from their Frustration Paradise album.

DAVID GIBBINS has appointed director of anti-piracy for IFPI, and succeeded John Hall QC with effect from October 1 when Hall took over the IFPI director general post.

barrister, Gibbins specialised in patent, trademark and copyright law, and has already been involved in a number of piracy

Gibbins said: "After studying the overall anti-piracy plan, I have identified several areas where the IFPI piracy campaign can be given further impetus.'

SYDNEY: The Australian Record Industry Association (ARIA) took legal proceedings here against Sony Australia, alleging seven copyright infringements resulting from the high-speed duplication of tapes in head Australian office in Sydney.

has submitted to permanent injunctions granted to ARIA, which is seeking "substantial

damages" believed to be one million damages believed to be one million Australian dollars. Among the artists featured on the duplicated tapes were Rod Stewart and the Little River Band.

AFTER FOUR months of running their independent promotion company, Magnum Associate Promotions, alone, Roger Upright and Mike Tobin have taken on two staff members, and moved into offices in Coventry.

MAP has now been joined by

former WEA promotion man Tony Cannon, who comes in as northern executive with responsibilities for



Sheffield and Bradford areas; and Lou Goodridge, formerly with Pye and more recently with Record Sales, who joins Tobin at the Coventry office.

MAP's offices are at Horizon House, Warwick Road, Coventry (Tel: 0203-21212). Sheffield and Bradford areas: and

WESSEX MUSIC has signed Shy, a Wessex, based in Portsmouth, is a publishing company linked to Warner Brothers Music. SHIRLEY BASSEY has a new album released this week featuring songs from her BBC Television series. Entitled What I Did For Love, it includes The Shadow Of Your Smile (from the Sandpiper film), What I Did For Love (from A Chorus Line) and You Take My Heart Away (Rocky).

QUARRY MANAGEMENT signed Manchester band The Drones and are negotiating a record deal on their behalf. The group are currently working on their next single and tour with Sham 69 this month.

BRUCE WOOLLEY, who co-wrote Video Killed The Radio Star, has his own album released on Epic Records this week. The album is called English Garden and he will be touring throughout November.

THE FIRST 10,000 copies of Jonathan King's Gloria single (ARO 199) include an extra single featuring King's two biggest hits, Everyone' Gone To The Moon and Un Paloma Blanca.

WITH IMMEDIATE effect, Lightning has taken over distribution of all Old Gold titles previously available through WEA.
All titles will now be available direct from Lightning, or appointed distributors, Spartan and Solomon & Peres. Once existing stock is exhausted titles will revert to the OG



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NEWS

Margins: Virgin's **Draper replies**

from some dealers that Virgin has cut the margin on certain nas cut the margin on certain recent product and without prior warning (see MW October 20), the company's managing director Simon Draper says that he feels that the concept of percentage dealer margin is "outmoded".

'Though dealer margin on most product is still expressed in percentage terms," he adds. "At a

Radar future

SPECULATION ABOUT the future of Radar Records is expected to be resolved this week when a joint statement is issued by Martin Davis and Andrew Lauder of Radar and John Fruin, WEA MD.

time when discounting is the norm I prefer to set a dealer price and an RRP and let the dealer decide how much he wants to make on a particular album.

much he wants to make on a particular album.

"With these particular albums I personally instructed the sales force at the sales meeting to make it clear to the dealers what the lowered RRP and dealer price would be.

"I'm surprised that these dealers didn't enquire if they felt that the margin was being unfairly cut and I can only think that they were not visited by a Virgin rep.

"The idea behind cutting RRP was to encourage sales and in the final analysis I don't think the dealer will have lost out. We didn't apply the lowered RRP to totally speculative albums — we expected a minimum 20-30,000 sales from The Ruts and The Skids and we have already passed those figures."

SPECULATION CONTINUES about EMI's future following last week's £145 million takeover bid by Thorn Electrical, interested in the video disc market.

The EMI board rejected the bid as "inadequate", but conceded the "industrial logic" of the offer. City onlying expects a counter-hid from

opinion expects a counter-bid from some quarter, but believes that Thorn could win the takeover

THE INTERNATIONAL divisions of EMI Records (UK) and Liberty/United Records (UK) are being merged in a bid for "further penetration of UK repertoire in international markets."

international markets."

Paul Watts, currently general manager of EMI Records international division, will continue as general manager of the merged operation, reporting to EMI Research reporting director. Pageon 1 Records managing director Ramon

van Hengel, currently Liberty/United Records international manager, is promoted to deputy general manager of the merged operation.

AT A brief hearing in the High Court on Friday, Virgin Records agreed to submit to a temporary

order sought by American Express banning them from using record sleeves or publicity material for the latest Sex Pistols single featuring a reproduction of a credit card.

The credit card company is alleging infringement of copyright and Virgin's undertaking is effective until a full trial of the action, for which a date has not been set.

It is estimated that the case has

It is estimated that the case has cost Virgin £30,000 in lost sales, plus legal and other costs.

DISTRIBUTION OF Lene Lovich's current single Birdsong has been hurriedly switched from EMI to CBS. The single was to have been the only exception to Stiff's recent P&D deal with CBS in order to maintain supplies to dealers. Dealers who have ordered BUY 53 and the twelve inch version BUYIT 53 from EMI will have had their orders cancelled and should re-order through CBS. DISTRIBUTION OF Lene Lovich's

echoed the feelings of a Liverpool date visitor, Graham Water from HMV there: 'I think it's a great idea, and I believe it will grow to be

idea, and I believe it will grow to be so big it will be a matter of course for every company in the industry, big or small, to take part."

Manning the MTA stand on the last night Harry Tipple, GRRC secretary, summed it all up on his own behalf and that of his fellow dealers with: "I think it was fantastic, and very well organised. It was a great success from the was a great success from the exhibitors and the dealers' point of view. More power to Music Week's elbow!" WHILE THE Record Wholesalers Association keeps a low profile, the fight against retailers selling imported records continues.

imported records continues.

Harlequin and Robinson's Records of Manchester are facing court injunctions from the MCPS which claims that they have failed to put MCPS stamps on imports from Canada and the USA. Harlequin has been issued with an injunction to stop selling the imports and negotiations for an out-of-court settlement are taking place. The case and negotiations for an out-of-court settlement are taking place. The case against Robinsons has been adjourned, but an injunction is likely to be issued this week. Records involved include The Kick Inside and Lionheart by Kate Bush, Saturday Night Fever and Live and

Saturday Night rever and Live and Let Live by 10cc.
In the High Court last week, Our Price Records gave an undertaking not to import or sell records or tapes in the UK, manufactured and distributed by CBS Inc. in the USA.

FOLLOWING THE announcement two weeks ago of the closure of its pop record department, Chappell now intends to "phase out" its recording studio. In a brief statement, Polygram Leisure Services (UK) managing director David Fine said: "The phasing out of Chappell Studios is coinciding with certain building redevelopment of the Chappell premises. The plans are currently being studied by our professional advisers." FOLLOWING THE announcement

FIRST ALBUM release from The Motels — recently signed to Capitol and touring the UK at the moment — will be backed by 500 window displays, four sheet fly posting in concert towns together with full page advertising in the consumer and trade press. A single — Closets And Bullets — has been taken from the self-titled album and is released in a four colour bag. in a four colour bag.

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feedback and general discussion. I'll be here next year, and I'm glad some of the majors weren't here this year to spread doom and gloom."

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Mike Watts, Charisma marketing manager, commented generally and gave an instance of how the tour had been of immediate practical use:
"As we are distributed by Phonogram and don't have our own sales force we rarely, if ever, get out on the road, and this is the first time. I have been able to meet dealers in 12 months. During the tour we have

given away 1,000 pre-recorded cassettes containing samples of our autumn product to give the dealers an idea of what we have coming up.

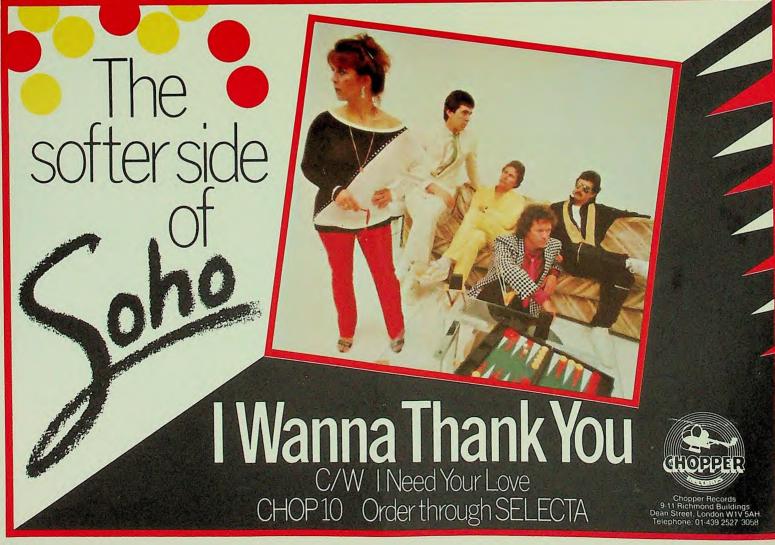
an idea of what we have coming up.
"In a practical sense, when the
Tony Banks album was released
recently, we were able to hear in
person of difficulties — some
dealers were having in getting copies
and could smooth out the problems.
I would certainly encourage
Phonogram to take a stand next
year."

Representation from the major record shop chains such as Harlequin, Our Price, Virgin and HMV was, as could be expected, heaviest at the London dates, as was the influx of visitors from the multiples, Boots and Woolworths.

multiples, Boots and Woolworths.
But of the grand total of close on
4,500 visitors from the trade (of
whom exceptionally high numbers
attended the Bristol, Birmingham
and Manchester dates) the majority
were enthusiastic independents, who
unfailingly commented that they
welcomed the tour as a chance to
discuss all aspects of selling records,
face to face with the manufacturers.

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The general feeling was that the tour has established itself as an essential event in the trade and industry's calendar, and many



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PERFORMANCE RATINGS FOR JULY-SEPT 1979

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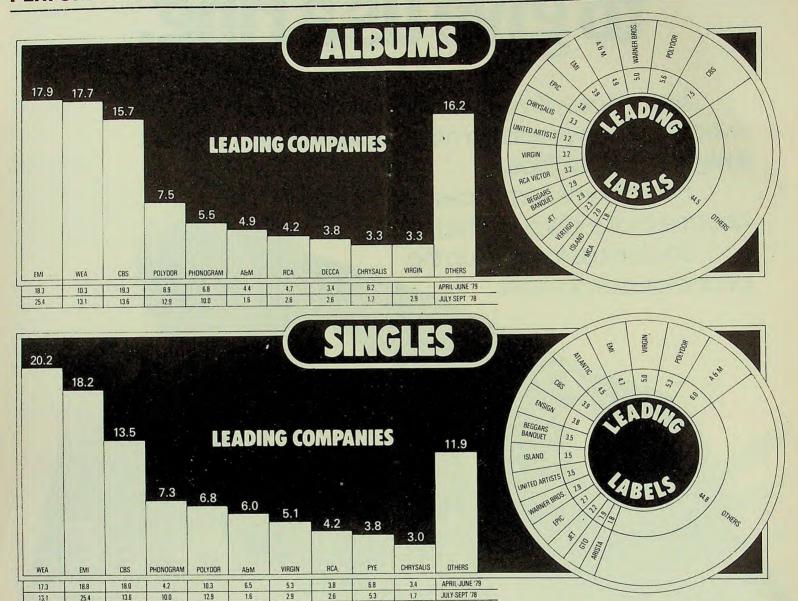


Chart Performance Survey

SINGLES

TOP FEMALE ARTISTS 1. DONNA SUMMER 2. JANET KAY

- JUDIE TZUKE AMII STEWART
- MALE ARTISTS CLIFF RICHARD

- DAVE EDMUNDS B.A. ROBERTSON
- B.A. ROBERTSON
 PATRICK HERNANDEZ
 GERRY RAFFERTY
 RANDY VANWARMER
 JOE JACKSON
 JOHNNY MATHIS
 THOM PACE
 GARY NUMAN
 GROUBE

- TOP GROUPS

 1. ELECTRIC
 ORCHESTRA
- LIGHT
- EARTH WIND & FIRE BOOMTOWN RATS ROXY NUSIC
- DOOLEYS POLICE
- ABBA GIBSON BROTHERS
- DARTS
- DOLLAR

- PRODUCERS 1. B. EDWA DUCERS
 B. EDWARDS/N. RODGERS
 GARY NUMAN
 JEFF LYNNE
 BRUCE WELCH
 PHIL WAINMAN
 ROXY MUSIC
 BEN FINDON
 BASSE FOR HANDES

- DAVE EDMUNDS MORODER/BELLOTTE
- MIKE CHAPMAN

TOP WRITERS

- B. EDWARDS/N. RODGERS
- GARY NUMAN JEFF LYNNE ALAN TARNEY
- FOSTER/GRAYDON/ CHAMPLIN

- BOB GELDOF FINDON/MYERS/PUZEY B. ANDERSSON/B. ULVAEUS
- BRITTEN/ROBERTSON FRANCEFORT/VANGARDE 10.

TOP PUBLISHERS

- INDIVIDUAL

 1. WARNER BROTHERS
- ATV MUSIC VIRGIN MUSIC RONDOR
- CARLIN PLANGENT VISIONS
- BOCU

- - BEGGARS BANQUET/ANDREW HEATH
- ISLAND JET/UNITED ARTISTS

- CORPORATE

 1. WARNER BROS
- ATV MUSIC RONDOR CARLIN

- ISLAND UNITED ARTISTS
- VIRGIN
- ANDREW HEATH CHAPPELL

ALBUMS

TOP FEMALE ARTISTS

- DONNA SUMMER
- RICKIE LEE JONES JUDIE TZUKE
- **RUBY WINTERS**
- BILLIE JO SPEARS

- MALE ARTISTS
- GERRY RAFFERTY JOHN WILLIAMS BARRY MANILOW LEO SAYER

- JAMES LAST
- DAVID BOWIE BOB DYLAN
 - MIKE OLDFIELD

- ROGER WHITAKER
- ART GARFUNKEL

TOP GROUPS

- ELECTRIC LIGHT ORCHESTRA

- SEX PISTOLS TUBEWAY ARMY EARTH WIND & FIRE
- BLONDIE SUPERTRAMP
- ABBA POLICE
- DOOLEYS
- QUEEN

- TOP MISC/SOUNDTRACKS

 1. THE WORLD IS FULL OF MARRIED MEN
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- **BOOGIE BUS**

TOP PRODUCERS 1. JEFF LYNNE

- GARY NUMAN
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- 10. QUEEN

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 BREAKFAST IN AMERICA, Supertramp,
 A&M
 I AM. Earth Wind & Fire, CBS
 PARALLEL LINES, Blondie, Chrysalis
 VOULEZ VOUS, Abba, Epic
 IN THROUGH THE OUT DOOR, Led
 Zeppelin, Swan Song
 OUTLANDOS D'AMOUR, Police, A&M
 NIGHT OWL, Gerry Rafferty, United
 Artists
 OUEEN LIVE KILLERS, Queen, EMI
 BRIDGES, John Williams, Lotus
 THE PLEASURE PRINCIPLE, Gary
 Numan, Beggars Banquet.
 THE BEST OF. Tho Dooleys, GTO
 STREET LIFE, Crusaders, MCA
 SLOW TRAIN COMING, Bob Dylan, CBS
 DOWN TO EARTH, Rainbow, Polydor
 SOME PRODUCT CARRI ON SEX
 PISTOLS, Sox Pistols, Virgin
 MANILOW MAGIC, Barry Manilow.
 Arista
 ROCK'N ROLL JUVENILE, Cliff Richard,
 EMI
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20. TOPSINGLES

- DP SINGLES

 WE DON'T TALK ANYMORE. Cliff Richard, EMI
 DON'T LIKE MONDAYS, Boomtown Rats, Ensign BANG BANG, B.A. Robertson, Asylum CARS, Gary Numan, Beggars Banquet ARE FRIENDS ELECTRIC, Tubeway Army, Beggars Banquet WANTED, Dooleys, GTO
 ANGELEYES/VOULEZ VOUS, Abba, Epic SILLY GAMES, Janet Kay, Scope
 IF I SAID YOU HAD A BEAUTIFUL BODY, Bellamy Bros, Warner Brothers
 ANGEL EYES/VOULEZ VOUS, Abba, Epic

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POLYGRAM'S NEW Import Music Services division caught the interest of the girls from Preedy's, Derby, and general manager Barry Griffith (left) and area manager Mike Sage show their catalogue to Karen Hefford, Jennifer Pryor, Brenda Seal and Pippa Crane.



WYND-UP'S closed circuit video camera was a focal point of its stand, and with the form and the first was a first was a focus point of its stands and area manager George Turner (right) is seen demonstrating it to Paula Risk and Tony Standen from Bradley's, Manchester, while Wynd-up telephone sales girl





NOT IN the usual line of his duty, but DJM's business affairs manager Paul Davis seems to be enjoying a Jasper Carrott badge on Risk from Bradley's, pinning a Jasper Paula



DISPLAYING HIS array of colourful belt buckles is Belt-Up's Stuart Alexander and prospective customer Tony Heaton from New World Records, Preston.



EMI'S MOR manager Vic Lanza seen enjoying himself with the girl assistants from Robinson's, Manchester, as they dip into his bowler hat to take a chance in the win-a-Max-Boyce-book-raffle. The girls are Bernadette Tyman, Jenny Golley, Marilyn Wilkinson, Sylvia Smith and Linda Henry.



TOASTING THE success of Sad Cafe on the RCA stand are Wynd-up buyer Allan Townley and his wife Margaret, Sad Cafe bass player John Stimpson, RCA's Gillian Barton and Trevor Charlesworth, Makro buyer Dave Cave, and RCA's Lila Cohen and George Jones.

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John Champion, national sales manger of Wynd-Up have to offer.

ON THE Virgin stand: Des Frazer, northern area manager: P.J. Kinsella, north west rep; Hilary Routledge, and Veronica Hopkins assistants to Virgin sales manager

Ann Kelly; Mark Cambe of Dins Records, Mike Davison of Ali Baba Records, and Denis Cambe of Dins.

Following my recent departure from W.E.A. I wasn't expecting too much moral support from people within this selfan, but wonderful business in which we wark. However it was a pleasant surprise to receive support; particularly from the following people — Tony Hale, Stuart Hornell, Derek Brandwood, Phil Griffin, Tony Lennane, Roger Day, Dave Lincoln, Nick, Johnson, Rob Atkin, Chris Lyons, Steve Diene, Frances (Screengeris) Alan Sykes, A big startkyou from

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TAKING THE chance to talk about trade to Polydor deputy MD Tom Parkinson and MD Tony Morris are Graham Water of HMV in Liverpool and Brian Maher of Beaver Radio, Liverpool — flanking Polydor area manager John



CHARISMA ARTIST Bill Lovelady charkisma ARTIST Bill Lovelday (right) visits the raciest stand on the tour, and is pictured with (left to right) Alan Palk of Ken Palk Ltd., Liverpool; Sandy Hind from Virgin in Liverpool, Tommy Richards of Virgin in Manchester, and Charisma northern promo rep Tony Michaelides.



REFRESHMENT AND free Blondie posters drew Angela Wilcox and Bernadine Ash from Woolworths in Macclesfield to the Tandem stand to meet (left to right) Chrysalis sales manager Robbie Hart, Arista sales promo manager Gary Schofield, and Tandem north west rep Mike Moran.



HAVING ONLY become a record retailer a few months ago John Wilson, (centre), of Migrant Mouse in Chester, wanted as much information as he could get from every Dealer Tour stand. He is discussing accessories with (left to right), Peter Fenton, of Culture Shock, Stuart Taylor and Dave Seeds of Rocktography, and William Smith of Badge Sales.

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(LEFT) WES from HMV Birmingham discusses the finer points of GTO singles with (1 to r) Paul Clark of GTO. Debbie Leadon, Michael Peyton GTO marketing director and Sue Leadon. Both girls come from St Louis Blues/Oasis, Corporation Street, Birmingham.

(RIGHT) THE DJM stand was mobbed by autograph hunters when Jasper Carrott arrived. He's seen here with Stephen James (DJM MD), Paul Davis (DJM head of business affairs) and sales manager Steve Bott. The new Carrott album, The Unrecorded Jasper Carrott is already in the charts.









LRD MANAGING director Alan Kaupe visited the Birmingham show and is seen here on the EMI stand with (1 to r) Andy Cash (EMI), N. Puri of Goulds, Wolverhampton and Keith Staton of EMI. One of the attractions on the EMI stand was a lucky dip with Max Boyce books as prizes.



AMONG THE videos being shown on the Warwick stand was The Bitch with Joan Collins. Seen here discussing the soundtrack album are (1 to r) R. Coombe of Young Activities, Janet Reynolds of Woolworths, Paul Halinwell (Warwick field sales manager) and Keith and Mo Williams of Coda Records, Birmingham.



MIKE SAGE of Import Music Service holds forth with Chris Shore (left) and Stan Boden (right) both of Reddifusion Nottingham.



JOYCE BAHLEY, Birmingham area organiser of the MTA and husband Alan Bailey of Pied Piper Music, Halesowen near Birmingham point out the benefits of the organisation.



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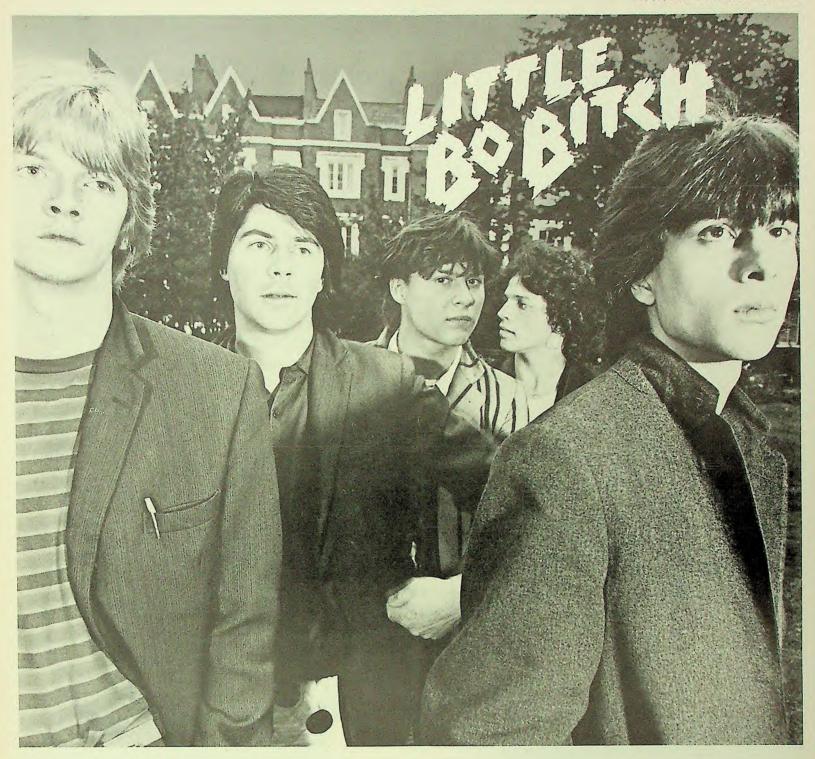
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Living up to the successes of '78

By FRIEDRICH SCHMIDT Co-President, Ariola-Eurodisc

SUCCESS AS a commitment — this was the motto of Ariola's big sales force meeting in February 1979. The motto perfectly reflected the situation that Ariola was facing in the beginning of this year after an outstanding sales growth rate of 32.4 per cent in 1978. This exceptional 1978 development was, for us, not only a commitment, but also a great challenge.

As a matter of fact, Ariola's results of the first half of 1979 have not been entirely satisfactory, if we compare them with the tremendous turnover increases of last year. Like many other firms in the audio business, we were obviously passing a natural phase of normalisation.

However, for the second half of

1979, we can again report a very pleasant upward trend in business. Since August, our turnover figures are in accordance with our optimistic 1979 planning. Reasons for this positive development can be seen in strongly increased sales of new hit material as well as the sales contribution of our constantly expanding entire scope of repertoire,

including classical music.

The present situation underlying our optimistic expectations is reflected by the latest Top 50 chart released by the German trade released by the German Trade magazine Musikmarkt (October 15). No less than 15 singles and 10 LPs among the best-selling records in Germany are distributed by Ariola.

The most important pre-requisite for our present and future success, of course, is the work of a big number of excellent and creative label partners, artists, producers and writers. In the field of German language singles, LPs and tapes, the leading artists of 1979 are Gschinghis Khan, Peter Alexander, Andrea Juergens, Udo Juergens, Mireille Mathieu, Frank Zander, Gebrueder Blattschuss, Bernhard Brink and Michael Holm.

The Musikmarkt German language best-seller chart of October 15 contained 12 out of 20 hits by Ariola and its partners. Best-selling released by Boney M, Amanda Lear, Eruption, Amii Stewart, Saragossa Band, La Bionda, the Teens,

Adriano Celentano, Bernie Paul and Lou and the Hollywood Bananas and internationally successful albums include ones by Boney M, Manfred Mann's Earthband, Amanda Lear, the Teens, Bob Marley, Eruption, Sally Oldfield, Amii Stewart, J. J. Cole and Mike

The success of many German productions among these best-selling international acts underlines again the importance and increasing role of Ariola and its partners within the

of Afola and its partners within the international music market. Furthermore, as in former years, we are glad to register the breakthrough of a number of new acts in Germany such as 'Angelo Branduardi, Robert Palmer and The B-52s. The same goes for a wide range of first-class reggae acts which Ariola Germany represents for its range of first-class reggae acts when Ariola Germany represents for its two UK label partners, Island and Virgin. Sales of this special repertoire showed very good results, and were supported by a most successful promotion campaign tagged Reggae By Bus throughout the whole Federal Republic.

Looking ahead. I consider two

the whole Federal Republic.

Looking ahead, I consider two things to be important. Firstly, it is almost certain that we will not be able to reach the same increase rates this year as we did in 1978, which

were absolutely exceptional.

Secondly, I am convinced that Ariola will continue to expand its national and international market shares in 1980. Our expectations for Germany are a minimum turnover increase of eight per cent without increase of eight per cent without taking into account new additions to our catalogue. Here, above all, the acquisition of one of the most interesting firms in the US, Arista Records Inc, will undoubtedly provide us with an excellent basis for strong future development.

Video discs? Forget it!

By TERRI ANDERSON

THE MOST exciting and advanced sound carrier which is likely to grab public interest is the compact disc.

Using the still emerging digital sound technology, it can carry two full hours of recording on a surface as small as four inches in digman, and it is the compact disc. small as four inches in diameter, and it offers superb reproduction.

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The pop video dise? "You as a big selling

forget it" — as a big selling commercial prospect.

These are the firmly-expressed views of a man better qualified than most to offer an opinion on the subject of recording techniques and their end products, Horst Redlich, technical director of the Teldec studios and labs in Berlin, is a man who can simply give "inventor" as his profession. He has been involved numerous pieces of audio pioneering.

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"Here at Teldec we have worked for 25 years on the problems of electro mechanical recording, and all our activities in respect of recordings, and research and development, are my job," Redlich explained. That job has given him an opportunity to watch and take an important part in all stages of the relatively short, but eventful, history of sound reproduction since the advent of stereo.

He recalled: "In 1957 and '58 Decca UK had a big role in the standardisation of stereo techniques, and did work on carrier frequencies in stereo tape." His personal involvement with what has been the biggest single breakthrough in

biggest single breakthrough in recording was very close. He worked on the invention of the first practicable stereo cutting head, and his 1957 technical paper on the subject makes interesting reading even if some of the dense expert data is beyond the grasp of most of us. The first LP had been produced by Teldec, and it moved on to

thinking about stereo. Pointing out that EMI had already been working the idea (although no-one Teldec knew that) Redlich explained: "Stereo theory was not complicated, but the practical side was. But even the first crude cutting head was such good quality that Decca said 'go ahead with that idea'. From the stereo project we learned that we could cut very high density discs, with a great deal of information in the grooves, and this led directly — but in due time — to NIGEL HUNTER

work being done on the video disc in 1970. A video disc has more than 100 times as much information on it than an ordinary LP."

than an ordinary I.P."

The same original train of thought, taken further and utilising all the sophisticated knowledge and experience which the audio technicians had been acquiring in many areas over the years, led to work on the compact dise and digital the source of the source o work of the compact data distribution of the clear line of research and development, making the digitally recorded, mastered and replayed disc of tomorrow the fully legitimate

great grandchild of the stereo LP.

The generation which saw the birth of the video disc is looked at birth of the video disc is looked at objectively by Redlich, even though he helped to bring that baby into the world. As a man who obviously likes to speculate on the social and commercial aspects of his work as well as the technological side — and who does so with pleasantly detached good humour — he judges the video disc to be an interesting and useful development, but one which will be of real interest only in the minority markets, educational aids.

"While you can listen hundreds of times to a sound recording of a rock artist, who really wants to watch him artist, who really wants to watch him make the same movements in a concert or whatever, over and over again?" he argued, adding that the public could not, of course, record their own discs as they could video cassettes when they wanted a

Redlich's current project, which as far as sound goes easily justifies his enthusiasm, is the Teldec Cassette Disc System — CDS. "When we change the LP record the first aim is to make the quality better, and CDS is very high quality. The first big improvement we did

was to make it protected from all injury. It is encased in a flat, non removable plastic cassette. Secondly, the error correction system in the digital recording has eliminated all dropouts. It is very easy to handle and has a very long life."

Although the compact disc is being hopefully hailed in some quarters as the new public attention-grabber, which could revive the music industry and start another cycle of audio hardware buying, Redlich sounded a warning. The lesson of quadrophonic sound's commercial failure should not be forgotten, he felt.

"At the moment the problem is a

standardisation of the system. We at Teldec have made our decision on the CDS, but at an international conference 15 different companies with differing ideas discussed this matter. But we hope in a few years to work towards a one standardised system, or maybe two systems. "The Japanese are looking for a

big hold in the hardware market in the West, and so are pushing their the west, and so are pushing their system very hard. In Europe there is a little reticence, because ordinary records are selling well and we do not want to make people feel they should not buy them because they will be outdated soon."

standardisation on the digital compact disc must come, Redlich insisted, pointing out that the differences in technical opinion are mostly in such areas as the size the disc should be (those who want a 12inch diameter record support the idea that there will eventually be one domestic playback system for both wideo and digital-audio discs) and what is used to play it back.

"The various reading systems proposed really come down to either

touching the record with a stylus (all such product would be compatible) and not touching it — i.e. reading it by laser. We want our system to go forward because our record can read by any touch system and by laser."

LA investors buy ABC complex

From MIKE REYNOLDS

LOS ANGELES: The ABC building and three recording studios complex here has been sold for an undisclosed sum to some Los Angeles investors, and is now occupied by Scott/Sunstorm Recording

The director of the latter studios is Gene Mackie, formerly with Casablanca and ABC, and the financial director is Ed Conway, who has worked with ABC and MCA. Managing director is J. A. Maillian, who is also chairman of the Coronet group of companies and Beverly Hill Management Consultants

Some of the former ABC staff have been retained for the new operation, including engineering manager Reggie Dozier (brother of Lamont) who spent six years with ABC, and Lanky Linstrot, mastering manager, with five years of ABC service.
Scott/Sunstorm has a mastering

deal with Chrysalis Records for significant proportion" of that label's mastering needs, and has been doing sessions with Motown act Switch and Lamont Dozier.

act switch and Lamont Dozier.
With an eye to future
developments, it is building a twostorey video production complex
on the site of the former ABC mail-room.

THE CONTROVERSY surrounding the death of Elvis Presley has taken a new turn following a programme on the subject by ABC TV's 20/20 series,

Dateline: Los Angeles

a sort of Sunday night Panorama-

During the programme it was alleged that the cause of Presley's death was being deliberately concealed, and Baptist Memorial Hospital officials in Memphis have been ordered to hand over the autopsy report to chancery clerk John Roberson for securing in bank vaults pending a hearing.

THE AMERICAN Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP) filed 35 Federal suits in 12 states on October 7 against unlicensed

October 7 against unlicensed jukebox operators.
This is another move in the society's continuing battle to obtain royalty payments from the jukebox industry using copyright songs and music in its machines across the nation, ASCAP claims that there should be an annual royalty income

of nearly \$4 million from the jukebox sector as opposed to the actual \$1 million being collected. TWO ATLANTA concerts by the Bee Gees in the Omni Theatre at the end of last month raised \$50,000 for the Martin Luther King Centre for Social Changes fund. The 17,000-seat theatre sold out for

Aussie move

SYDNEY: WEA Records Pty. Ltd. has moved into its new fully-owned administration and fully-owned administration and distribution complex in Crow's Nest, Sydney. The official opening ceremony was performed by WEA International executive vice president Phil Rose at the conclusion of the Australian company's 1979 sales conference. conference.

The overseas contingent of guests headed by Rose included Warner Bros Records International VP Tom Ruffino, Atlantic International VP Bob Kornheiser, WEA International A&R executive director Dan Loggins and WEA International VP and treasurer Ken Cooper.



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ALTHOUGH THE company has scored a major hit recently on the Continent with Frank Mills' Music Box Dancer, a UK hit has been a long time coming for the Valentine Music Group. This situation has now been put right by Lena Martell's first major hit, One Day At A

The last time Valentine was The last time Valentine was represented in the UK charts was with Perry Como's For The Good Times back in 1973. The new song comes from the Nashville-based Buckhorn Music catalogue owned by the song's composer Marijon Wilkin, responsible for discovering

Kris Kristofferson.
Produced by her manager George Elrick, the Lena Martell hit has been "a sleeper" in the true sense of the word, originally issued by Pye about a year ago, and recent heavy promotion on the disc by veteran song plugger Johnny Wise has taken

Edited by NIGEL HUNTER

hit ever via a version by Gloria.

The Valentine Music Group controls the Buckhorn catalogue for Group the world outside America and Canada, and ironically both For The Good Times and One Day At A Time originate from the Nashville



RONDOR MUSIC (London) has acquired exclusive UK representation of the Motels, the Los Angeles-based band recording for Capitol, and currently touring the UK and Europe. Pictured after the deal was signed are (back row, from left) Motels joint manager Ken Fritz, Rondor MD Bob Grace, Rondor general manager Mick Rowlands, Motels joint manager Dennis Turner, and (front row, from left) Motels members Jeff Jourard, "Chlorine" and Martha Davis



ZACK LAURENCE and Kim Goody acknowledge the acclaim of the Castlebar audience after winning the County Mayo town's 14th international song contest with Laurence's composition Talkin' To A Stone, Photo: Liam

Firm to handle Heroes

A NEW York-based company, Western Galaxy, has been set up by songwriter/producer Barry Mason and American television producer Michael Johnson, to handle a new project, American Heroes, which is to be financed by WEA.

Johnson, noted for his award winning disco TV special, Discomania, has already written the American Heroes book, which tells the story of a man visiting Hell and meeting people like John F Kennedy, Martin Luther King, Al Capone and Marilyn Monroe, while Mason is currently writing the music with a variety of composers, including Les Reed and Roger

Recording is expected to start soon with a possible all-star cast for a release in the New Year. WEA is understood to have put

\$200,000 behind the project and will have first option rights to a possible film and stage presentation. Western Galaxy and Warner Brothers Music will share worldwide music publishing rights. Barry Mason and Michael Johnson negotiated the deal recently with WEA Records UK managing director John Fruin and WEA executives Dave Dee and Troy

Mason and Johnson are also currently working on the idea for a film based on New York's gangland called Tricks, and a possible film with John Daly of the Hemdale

Barry Mason, a recent recipient of a BMI award for Love Me Tonight, has also recently completed a disco album, Bizarre with Alan Hawkshaw for Polydor release next month and a single, Let Me Fill Your World With Love is to be

Countdown to Contest

A SONG For Europe, the BBC-organised eliminating contest to find the UK entry for next year's Eurovision Song Contest, is currently being prepared, and currently being prepared, and artists involved must be available between March 16 and 29 next year, plus two extra days with regard to the shooting of the preview film.

The Music Publishers
Association distributed
application forms and copies of
the Eurovision entry rules with with its newsletter dated October 19, and any interested publishers swho did not receive this matter should contact MPA assistant secretary Brian Newman without delay (01-580 3399).

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The deadline for submitting songs for the Song For Europe eliminating process is November 9, and the 12 finalists will be announced at the MPA Christmas luncheon on

December 18.

The 1980 Eurovision Song
Contest is due to be held on April
19, but the country where it will be staged has not yet been decided. Israel, being the winner decided. Israel, being the winner this year again, should be the venue according to the Eurovision rules, but has indicated that it cannot sustain the substantial costs of staging the contest for a second year running.
• MPA

secretary Josephson has resigned, and will leave his post on December 18 to join the BBC Publications
Department. He has been with
the MPA for four years, two in
his present position.

BROADCASTING Edited by DAVID DALTON

REFLECTING THE growth of the ILR network, the IBA has appointed Major General Peter Baldwin to the newly created post of assistant director of radio, reporting to director of radio, John Thompson. Currently chief signal officer with the British Army of the Rhine, he takes up his post on November 27. He has been closely associated with the BFBS, setting up the British Forces TV network in Germany.

FROM THIS Sunday Mike Smith takes over the Breakfast Show on Capital from Kerry Juby who has joined Maggie Norden as co-presenter of Hullabaloo (see MW October 20). The programme will now incorporate regular religious

BBC RADIO Sheffield is to record the first public performance of a new orchestral work - Concerto For Electric Violin — by Darryl Way this Wednesday during the final week of the Big Top Theatre in Sheffield's Norfolk Park, an event jointly organised by the station and South Yorkshire Council. The work will form part of a family concert by the 60-piece English Northern Philharmonia and will feature former Curved Air member Way on solo electric violin.

News in Divine conception brief... Divine conception in Vatican City

WHEN IN Rome, the thing to do now is to listen to Radio Vatican FM-stereo to hear the best music — pop, jazz and MOR. Tipsheet's Sue Francis spoke to the man responsible for the station's musical inception, American Reverend John S. St George, who would be most interested to hear from UK record companies interested in getting their product aired.

This Jesuit priest first visited Vatican Vatican City in 1966, for a theological course. As chairman of the Department of Communication Arts at New York's Fordham University and director of their FM radio station WFUV, he was asked write an analysis of Radio Vatican.

"This I did generally suggesting that though the programming had its own validity, they simply were giving a very negative impression. At the best they were broadcasting to the converted," he explains. St. George is now responsible for

six hours of music heard on the station each day.

Radio Vatican was thought up by

Pope Pius X1 and opened with assistance from Marconi in 1939. As assistance from Marconi in 1939, As the Vatican is an autonomous state within Italy, it holds an active membership in the European Broadcasting Union. A total of 300 people are employed, representing 35 countries broadcasting in 19 different languages and with some 150 permanents and conscience. 150 permanent and occasional stringers. The nucleus of the management is made up of some 30 Jesuit priests like St. George who work exclusively for the radio operation.

Though Italy possesses no audience research figures, after only

three months of transmission of a music format, the sales of FM radios jumped 400% in the leading radio retail outlet. Record companies have also been delighted to see the continuing increase of sales of records broadcast on the station. Today the only other pop music officially broadcast is heard on the State operated radio station RAI for only four hours a day.

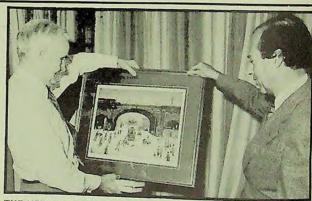
Within the musical product heard on Radio Vatican each day are programmes featuring pop and jazz, another using MOR music and special concerts.

"In the pop category we are always looking to find and play new acts. We use hard rock bands but punk or new wave does not fit into

Disco is also not in their musical requirements. Thus, Rome's latest disco hit, about the Pope, could not be heard on the station.

As an added plug for each record received and played, at the insistance of St. George, the magazine Scelta

TV, which publishes their play list must also print the name of the act, who is playing on the track, order number, record company and playing time. Reverend John S. St. George can be contacted at Studio A, Radiovaticana 00120, Citta del A, Raule Vaticano.



THE NEW says goodbye to the old, as retiring chairman of Radio Hallam, Gerard Young (left), is presented with a limited edition print of an Arthur Delaney picture of the Wicker Arches in Sheffield in the 1930s by new chairman, Michael Mallet, on behalf of the directors of Radio Hallam. Young, who has been chairman since 1973, was also presented with a portable radio from the station staff and a solid silver inscribed letter opener from the entire company.

Six bid for Scots station

SIX APPLICATIONS to operate Independent Local Radio services for Aberdeen and/or Inverness were received by the IBA by the

closing date last week.

When the franchises were offered in July, applications were invited from consortia proposing to provide ILR services for both Aberdeen and Inverness, with appropriate arrangements for separate programming and organisational structure in the two localities.

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These have come from Aberdeen Inverness Radio Ltd., Cramond House, 17 Rubislaw Den North, Aberdeen; North of Scotland Radio Ltd., 13 Albert Street, Aberdeen IAB 1XX; Radio Caledonia, PO Box 33, Broadfold Road, Bridge Of Don, Aberdeen AB9 8BS; Radio North East Ltd., 10 Bon Accord Square, Aberdeen AB9 1XF.

Applications for just one locality were also invited and one was received for Aberdeen from Aberdeen Radio For The Community, St Katherine's Centre, 5 West North Street, Aberdeen. One for Inverness only was

One for Inverness only was received from Moray Firth Community Radio, 45 High Street, Inverness.

The IBA stated that these will be considered in relation to applications for a contract for the other locality, and to any proposals that applicants might put forward for association between the two stations or with other ILR stations in Scotland. Scotland.



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TIP SHEET

Recording behind the Curtain

PIERRE TUBBS has just returned from Hungary, having returned from Hungary, having produced the top group in the East Bloc, Fonograf. With tapes in hand he is looking for a record company that might be interested in releasing product from a group that has 26 albums to their credit and draws crowds of units. credit and draws crowds of up to

description of this His description of con-experience should serve as an insight to anyone else anticipating such a project: "I knew nothing about the East," he explains. "I was expecting the worst, and found instead a completely relaxed situation.

"The studio that I was to work in was the only studio in Hungary and contained all the latest western equipment courtesy of MCI, Studer, and so on. My job was to produce six titles with this group. This was accomplished to the minute with various forms being signed every

day for the Government.

"The techniques for recording were primitive and many rules had to be broken. The results were, in the band's opinion, the best recordings they had ever made. Fonograf are only allowed out of Hungary once in every three years and had never seen western artists perform in a studio. They have a lot to learn but are willing and their talent is exceptional." Contact Pierre Contact Pierre Tubbs, 5 Dorlcote Ro London SW18. (01) 870 1683.

Hayes-all set for success

LYNDA HAYES, 26 year-old American singer/songwriter played a successful week at Ronnie Scott's Club this summer, appearing opposite the great Dizzie Gillespie. And manager, Harry Paton Evans, says: "Although only a support, the audience and music business professionals were unanimous in their praise for Lynda's performance. for Lynda's performance.

"Her latest single, Rock & Roll Slave, had been released that week and the only disappointment was that nobody from the record company came to see her work. All has now been rectified and Lynda in the control of the co free of any recording or publishing

commitments."

Paton Evans is now talking to a television network about a series based around Lynda's singing and he reports she has been approached to take the leading role in a new West End musical due to open in the

Lynda has also recently finished

another week at Ronnie Scott's, and Pete King, manager of the club Pete King, manager of the club reports to *Tipsheet:* "Although we normally do very good business with artists such as Dizzie Gillespie, I was very surprised to see the additional audience that Lynda Hayes built up and maintained during her two weeks' appearances.

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"She is one of the few younger female singers around at the moment who, I believe, has that major ingredient that spells success". Contact Harry Paton Evans, Public Affairs, 73 Grosvenor Street, London W1. (01) 493 8505.



Cavan Contest

THIRD International Song Contest will be staged in the Sports Centre Ballroom, Cavan, Ireland from Friday, April 11 to Sunday April 13. The contest, whose prizes value £7,000, is open to all composers, amateur and professional, throughout the world. Category A is for songs of all types but category B, is only open to songs about County

Submissions must be original and songs not published or performed in public or recorded before March 21, 1980. Closing date for entries is Monday, January 21. For entry forms and further information contact the organisers: Lennon & Maloney, Drumelis, Cavan,

The sky's the limit for Venus and Mars

VENUS AND Mars, pictured left, is a six-piece harmony band which has been receiving the sort of comments from A & R men that many a hopeful new artist hears.

Their new manager Graham Sclater says: "There seems lots of interest from record companies, but they all say the band is just lacking 'that' super commercial song. Thus this appeal for 'hit'

The band has been together for three years, but have been concentrating on playing and building up a reputation abroad. They are touring Germany, Holland and Belgium until the end

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of October and their last tour was in Russia with the Dooleys. Venus and Mars was last seen in England on last year's Showaddywaddy tour, appearing at the Rainbow Contact Graham Sclater, Tabitha Music, 39 Cordery Road, Exeter EX2 9DJ. Tel. Exeter 79914.

TALENT

Edited by CHRIS WHITE

As good as Gold

KEN GOLD, right, is probably Britain's top black music producer — but it has been a long haul and a hard slog for the musician who started his professional life singing and playing percussion in various groups around the country. Gold signed his first publishing

deal eight years ago, which allowed him to write songs during the day, and play gigs at night. It wasn't until about four years ago however that he finally made his mark via producing Real Thing's Top 10 hits, You To Me Are Everything and Can't Get By Without You. Since then, he has also produced

the re-mixed and hit version of Real Thing's Can You Feel The Force?, Ining's Can you reet the Forcer, hailed as a breakthrough recording for British black music, produced Epic recording act Ritz, who had a big turntable hit recently with a disco re-make of The Locomotion, and also Ariola's Delegation who have a pay situate and album have a pay situate and album. have a new single and album released.

Gold has been co-writing with partner Mickey Denne since 1974 and between them they have had covers by such names as Aretha
Franklin and Jackie Wilson, via a
publising deal with Screen Gems
Music (now part of EMI Songs).
The two also contributed a couple

of numbers to Cliff Richard's I'm Nearly Famous album, You've Got To Give Me All Your Lovin' and I Can't Ask For Anything More Than You which was a hit single.

The partnership success with Real Thing came when Gold visited the

band's manager, Tony Hall.
"I played him three songs and he literally jumped on the third which happened to be You To Me Are Everything. Real Thing had a big



success with it here and there were three versions in the US chart, by Real Thing, RSO band Revolution and Broadway. Unfortunately they all cancelled each other out.

Gold split with the Liverpool band or 12 months, while Chris and ddie Amoo took over the production and songwriting seats. In his own admission, Gold says: "1978 was a quiet year for me, with very little happening. However I did spend a lot of time writing and looking for new acts. "Then came the offer from Brian

Lane, who owns Parklane Records, to produce a new act, Ritz. We mixed the album in Los Angeles and got a very good reaction from Epic."

Epic."

In addition, he has been working with new Ariola signing Delegation who were previously with State Records. The first single from that partnership is Put A Little Love On Me, released a couple of weeks ago, to be followed by an album, Eau de Vie in November. Vie, in November

The Searchers—still singing

WHILE A number of new groups are finding success presenting a typically 1960s' pop sound, one of the originals is re-emerging to claim its rightful place as one of the best and most influential groups of the

The Searchers, at their height probably only second to The Beatles on Merseyside, have not re-formed. They have worked constantly since those early days. Although their Searchers album on Sire represents their first recording contract for five years and their first venture into a studio for nine years

The nucleus of the band, which enjoyed hits with Needles And Pins, Sugar And Spice, Sweets For My Sweet and When You Walk In The Room, remains. Lead guitarist John McNally formed The Searchers in 1961 and was joined by Mike Pender, guitarist and one of the lead singers, later that year; while Frank Allan, bassist and the other lead singer, arrived in 1965 after they were the first big beat group to suffer and survive a split in their ranks. Drummer Billy Adamson is a comparative newcomer, though many pop stars have waxed and waned since he joined in 1970.

BRONZE RECORDS has released a

new single by Goldie, How Many Times (BRO 82), the first for a year. The song has been written by lead vocalist Peter MacDonald and the

vocalist Peter MacDonald and the band's new keyboards player, Chris Senior. Other members are Dave Black on guitars, Mike Black drums and Geoff Robson, base. Goldie are

Though well used to success, they have been taken aback by the stir their renaissance has caused.

Praise has come not only for the tight, energetic musicianship wrought from them by producer Pat Moran at Rockfield Studios and those unmistakable vocal those unmistakable vocal harmonies, but also for their excellent choice of material. Hearts In Her Eyes by Will Birch and John Wicks of The Records is their first Sire single and other album material comes from Tom Petty, Mickey Jupp and Dylan.

Jupp and Dylan.

"We're old fashioned in that we go for tunes," says McNally, and explaining the group's absence from the recording scene, he recalls: "We were with RCA in 1974 and they wanted us to do the old stuff again. After discussions we left the label and had offers have left." and had offers but again they were to revive the old hits."

Sire and The Searchers may seem an unlikely pairing but the link

occurred quite naturally. Paul McNally — no relation to the group's lead guitarist, and head of Sire in the UK — takes up the story.

"When I was social secretary at Loughborough College six years ago I booked The Searchers for a graduation ball and they were great. The magic was still there, When I joined Sire, I heard that they had turned down several deals for just re-hashing old material and that they had a very strong idea of what they wanted to do.

"I checked them out again with Seymour Stein — head of Sire — and we signed them at the same time as The Undertones.'

When their UK tour does begin in November fans will have the double treat of hearing strong new songs mixed with past classics.

"I would think we will still play the old hits," says Mike Pender. "They are still good for today."

currently playing live dates around single, and who will be support act on the Sham 69 tour. Original members Mick and Peter Howes who have been touring with Jean Jacques Burnel's band have joined up with new members Phil Courtney and Phil Bourne. QUARRY MANAGEMENT, which already looks after Status Quo and Penetration, has signed Manchester band The Drones who are currently in the studio working on a new

YOUNG HASTINGS Mod band The Teenbeats have their second single on the Safari label released shortly. Called Strength Of The Nation, a strong favourite from their live set, it is the follow-up to I Can't Control Myself.

SALLY OLDFIELD releases SALLI OLDIFELD releases ner second album, Easy (BRON 522), this week. It features nine self-penned songs including her new single, The Sun In My Eyes. Musician's line-up on the album includes Herbie Flowers, Frank Ricotti, Graham Jarvis and Kevin Peek

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Chart Newcomer . . . by Chris White



THE RAMBLERS: The Sparrow (Decca F 13860)

IN THE last 25 years only two children's choirs have made the chart — the Obernkirchen Children's Choir in 1954 with The Happy Wanderer and St. Andrew's Chorale with Cloud 99. The Ramblers, a group of school children from Manchester, now make that a trio with their hit single, The Sparrow.

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The 70 children who make up the folk group are all pupils of the Abbey Hey
Junior School near Manchester and it was a recent appearance at the Royal
Northern College, In a series of concerts put on to show the best of Manchester
Schools' music, that led up to their making a record.

The Sparrow, written by their teacher, Maurice Jordan, is already one of
the most popular songs in their repertoire and is produced by Kevin Parrott,
better known as Brian of Brian And Michael who had a number one hit with
Marchestell Man. It was after seeing the Ramblers on Magnic that he decided to

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All pupils from Abbey Hey School will benefit from the success of the record as the royalties will go to improving and acquiring new facilities for the whole

US Action

NO MORE Tears by Barbra Streisand and Donna Summer looks unstoppable, entering the Hot 100 at 59 in a unique arrangement whereby CBS has the seven-inch and Casablanca the 12-

The Commodores now have two Top 10 entries, following a 38-10 jump for Still. Other big moves in July Jos Stat. Other on moves in the 40 are for Fleetwood Mac, KC & the Sunshine Band, Styx and Barry Manilow. Planets 'Chris Thompson is the only unfamiliar name showing special strength in that region.

ON SINGLES chart, Knack's My Sharona up from 29 to 27, Lovin' You by Kiss down from 34 to 38 and Good Times by Chic moving well to 74. On LP scene, Eagles at No. 8 with bullet, Cozy Powell at 37 with bullet, while dropping are Eagles' Hotel California (67-87).

SINGLES SYMBOLS

- forecast to rise
- sales increase over week
- silver disc (250,000 sales)
- gold disc (500,000 sales)

new entry

Hot Air . . . by DAVID DALTON



GLORIA HAS caused quite a fuss but whose version of this Italian song with English lyrics is favourite with the programmers and DJs?

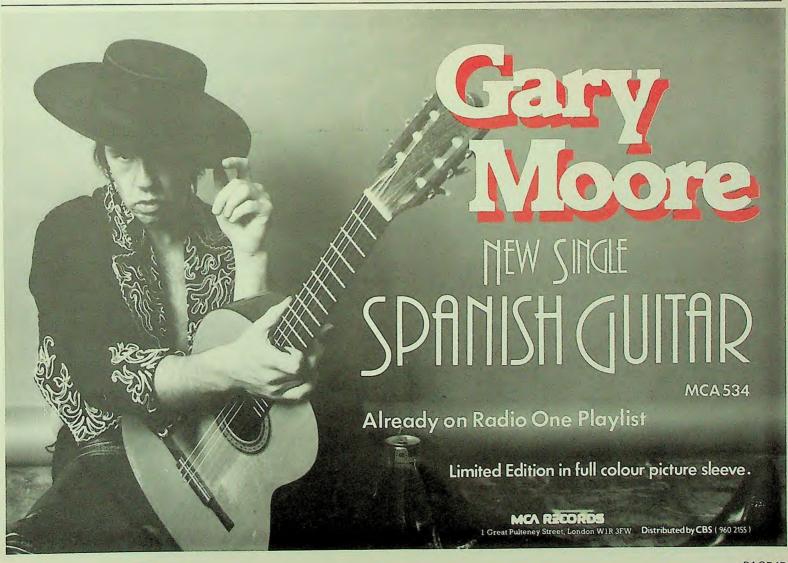
English lyrics is favourite with the programmers and DJs?

Jonathan King seems to winning so far, picking up further airplay to add to his Radio One Record Of The Week last week for his Ariola offering, while Umberto Tozzi, co-writer of the original Italian hit, is picking up scant support in the regions for his Epic effort using King's English lyrics.

Not so much a follow up, more a resurrection — at least in recording terms — for The Searchers (pictured above) who should have strong backing for the catchy Hearts In Her Eyes once programmers realise it is not a re-issue of one of their old numbers. Also destined for better things than of late is Aretha Franklin who has already enlisted the support of Andy Peebles for Ladies Only.

And his Radio One colleague DLT is betting that The Commodores will once again make it to the top with Still.

Continuing in his up tempo vein with No-One But The One You Want Johnny Mathis should again gather broad airplay, while Queen and Manhattan Transfer are converting last week's hitpicks into solid playlistings.



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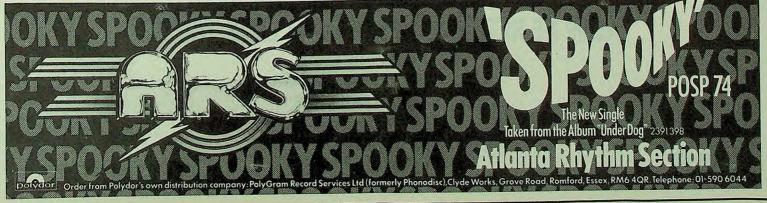
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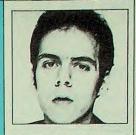
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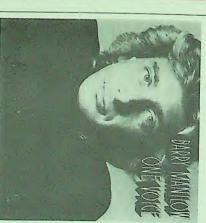
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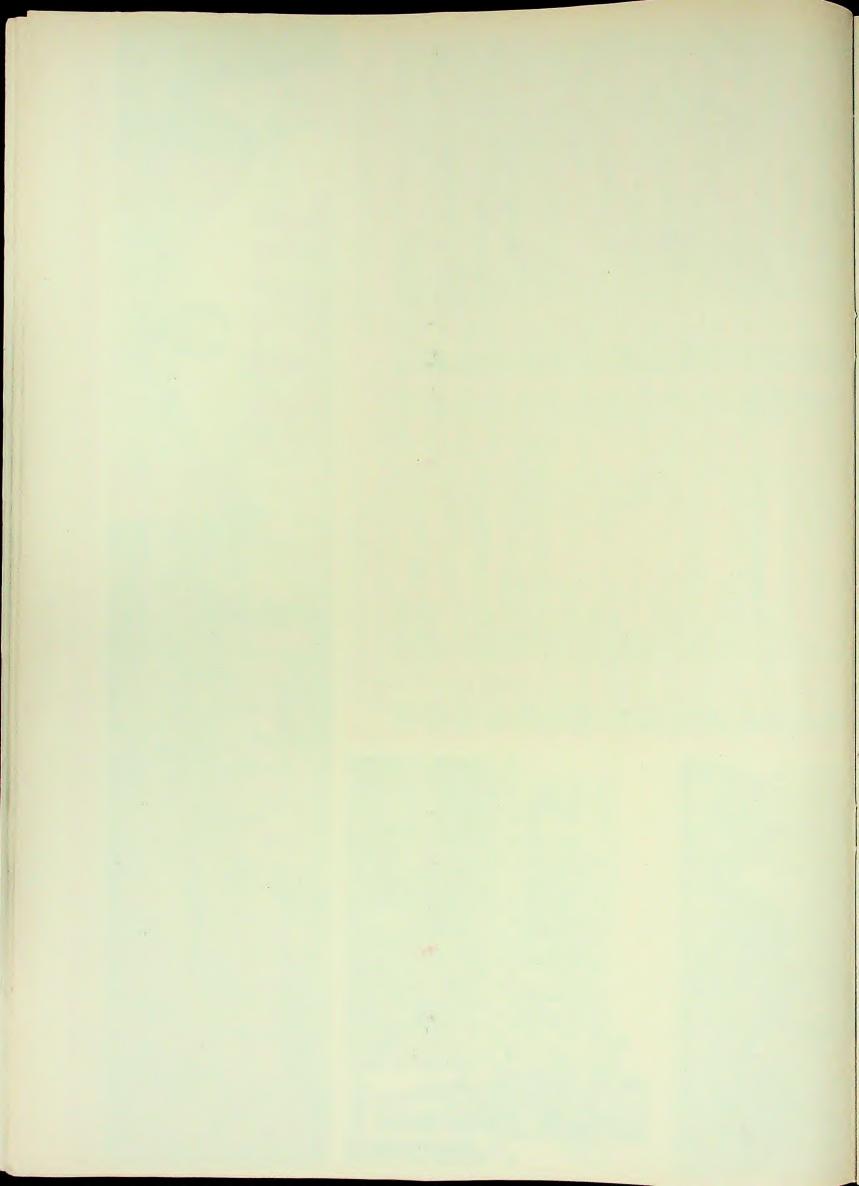
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THE GENERAL scene in Germa is not as good as it has been before. Some are speaking of a severe situation, but that's being over-dramatic, though the bad times being experienced in the American market are being somewhat reflected here.
Following the figures released by

Following the figures released by the Bundesverband der Phonographischen Wirtschaft, the total sales during the first half of 1979 compared to the same period for 1978, were down by one per

Looking more closely at these figures, one sees that singles sales are increasing — nine per cent for the first six months of this year. But sales of pop albums are down

Several factors have to be considered as contributing to the actual situation of the German

PRICES: since the removal of strictly binding prices after August 1971, price levels in Germany have steadily decreased. Whereas general manufacturing and retailing costs went up, there has been no chance

went up, there has been no chance to lift prices mainly because of the threat of parallel imports.

During the last few years, the industry itself has promoted the fall in prices. A brand new LP from a top German artist can be bought for around 21 DM in a top retail shop, and for 9.80 DM in a department store or one of the fast-rising discount shops. The latter do not have to provide any latter do not have to provide any catalogue service and also get bonuses from the companies by ordering huge amounts of the top

Mammoth sales

These low initial costs provide mammoth sales figures for the department stores and discount houses, but ruins business for the traditional retail record shops. RETAILERS: Because of the rise of record departments in chain stores and because of the discount houses, the number of retail shops houses, the number of retail shops has declined drastically. A leading German record company like DGG faces a loss of clients from 8,850 in 1970 to 3,000 in 1979.

PARALLEL IMPORTS: Especially after the UK's entry into the European Community, parallel imports became a vast danger to home-produced record sales.

There are 50 import companies

Recession creeps up on German market

MICHAEL HENKELS, Music Week's German correspondent, in a detailed analysis, sums up the German record market.

operating on the German market. The five big ones are Disco-Port, Dusseldorf; Rimpo, Bocham; Pop-Records, Bochum; Membran, Hamburg and Pop Import, Limburg. Together with the smaller operations, the total sales of these companies make about 150 million DM per year — which is about ten per cent of the industry's sales as a whole.

It is interesting that former CBS Germany chief Bernard Mikulski now owns the Pop-Import company and is as successful now as he was in his CBS days with sales figures of 15 million DM per

Imports threat

However, it seems possible that with the strengthening of the British Pound, the import threat

BLANK CASSETTES: There is in Germany, a general trend towards cassette recorders. In 1970 there were 12 million record players in German households and 2.6 million cassette recorders, Table A demonstrates the rapidly changing development.

Parallel to this, there is a tendency to musicassettes as Table

But the biggest problem is home-taping. In 1977 approximately 90 million blank cassettes were sold. Investigations show that there is an average of 15 blank cassettes to 10 pre-recorded musicassettes to each German household. Most of these empty tapes are used for legal home-taping.

There have been discussions to change the law to put a levy on blank tapes. At present, there is a charge on the recording equipment —a charge which is way out of date with reality. Unfortunately, it looks like being some time before the law

PIRACY: The Bundesverband der Phonographischen Wirtschaft figures estimate the total sales of pirated material in Germany to be around 100 million DM per year. In recent months there has been more co-operation from the police and a number of pirate organisations have been arrested.

REPERTOIRE PREFERENCES: There is still a preference for international hit material among

consumers, particularly the youngsters.

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During the last 12 months there has been no particular hit trend such as Boney M or the Bee Gees. The missing trend — something the industry has been looking for since the split of the Beatles — has hit sales. But the increase of TVpromoted albums has had a balancing effect on this situation.

The Bundeaverband admits that the very good results of 1978 will not be reached in 1979 even with "the biggest efforts."

HOMEGROWN TALENT: It is still very difficult for young

arrangers to get launched in their

However, over recent years, a different trend has developed. Now, it is not so much the traditional German Schlager — the traditional German Schiager — the well known MOR music — that is so popular, but more the so-called Liedermacher (songwriters) with German lyries. Favourite names in German lyrics. Favourite names in this field include Konstantin Wecker, Georg Danzer, Reinhard Mey, the Dutch Herman van Veen, the Swiss Stefan Sulke and newcomer Tommie Bayer

In demand

Also, the traditional MOR programme is still available and widely in demand. Names such as Peter Alexander, Freddy Quinn, James Last, Howard Carpendale and Karel Gott are consistently

good sellers. The increase in small independent labels and increased promotion by publishing companies are helping young, unestablished acts. The situation is rather like that in football, with the development of players in the smaller clubs being watched and, maybe later, being snapped up by the majors .

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Singles	29	45	50	50	million	units
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Ten great years at CBS

LEFT, Rudolf Wolpert who has steered CBS to success for 10 years, and right, Jorgen Larsen his successor from Denmark.



AFTER TEN years as managing director, Rudolf Wolpert leaves CBS Germany at the end of this month. In his jubilee year, CBS reached the goal set by Wolpert 10 years ago — DM 100 million turnover. In fact the sales figures reached DM 120 million which is an increase of 30

Per cent compared to last year's figures.

With this, CBS is the company with the biggest growth in the German market in 1979.

During the last months, CBS won a remarkable share of the German charts. From the second quarter of 1979 onwards, CBS had 18 per cent of Media Control's LP/MC chart — not including compilation albums which are listed in a separate chart. Adds Wolpert, "During the last months we had an average of 10 albums in the Top 50. This shows our powerful position in the pop market with actual figures of around 32 per cent."

Regarding the difficulties of American mother companies, Wolpert is quite optimistic for the future of CBS Germany: "I can confidently predict that CBS will have a very good year in all European countries.

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"Success depends on the quality and quantity of the product available to a company. There will be a continuation of the rise of CBS Germany through autumn releases by such artists as Joan Armatrading, Mike Batt, Wolf Bjermann, Cheap Trick, Chicago, Leonard Cohen, Costa Cordalis, Neil Diamond, Al Di Meola, Weather Report, Meat Loaf, Santana, Styx, Morgenrot, Toto and Frank Zappa. Further impact will come from tours by Boston, Leonard Cohen and Supertramp."

Former CRI Area vice president Jorgen Larsen from

Former CRI Area vice president Jorgen Larsen from Denmark, will succeed Wolpert as CBS Germany's managing director.



Media control

THE MOST influential and most-

THE MOST influential and most-used charts in Germany are compiled by Media Control. Media Control was founded three years ago by former radio man Karlheinz Koegel (pictured left) and their charts are published in Germany's leading music trade paper, Musikmarkt, The charts are compiled from 800 retail outlets. MC also provides record companies with a weekly airplay list. with a weekly airplay list.

The German supplement was compiled and written by JIM EVANS and MICHAEL HENKELS

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Dr Gerhard Weber, joint managing director of Phonogram Germany talks about both Phonogram and the German industry.

Increased £ making the import less attractive

one for Phonogram?

"In 1978 we developed quite nicely. Overall, Phonogram has a market share of ten per cent. Last year, our biggest success was with Father Abraham. He sold almost Father Abraham. He sold almost two million singles and close to 800,000 albums . . . we've had gold albums with Status Quo, Alan Parsons and Genesis. And we broke the first Dire Straits album which went gold in February 1979 and platinum last August. The second Dire Straits album went gold one week after release, which was sensational. "After three weeks it was number

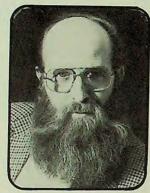
"After three weeks it was number one and at the same time the first Dire Straits album was at number three. It's the first time there's ever been such a situation in the German It really was something

"Once you have broken a record "Once you have broken a record it's difficult to analyse what came first the chicken or the egg. But if the product is right you can promote it. We worked very hard on Dire Straits and broke the act just after it had broken and developed very pricely in the Dutch procket.

nad broken and developed very nicely in the Dutch market. "Only later did Dire Straits start happening in the UK. The usual way is success in the UK and USA, then Holland, then Germany. Dire Straits success has been very pleasing.'

What are the major acts you're working on now?

"We have recently broken through with the Boomtown Rats and their single, I Don't Like Mondays. We have been working very hard on this group for almost three years now — and now with this single I think we have broken the act. Now, we are looking forward to



FATHER ABRAHAM: He sold almost two million singles and close to 800,000 albums in the space of one year. His contribution was one of several which helped stimulate the market last year.

releasing their album October, and it should go down fine. We are also working on Voyager, on the new Elton John album, Jethro Tull and Blondie, just to give you a

few names.
"And, of course, we are working very hard on our national repertoire as well. One of our biggest acts is Nana Maskouri singing in German. Right now we are preparing to release her latest LP. She always release her latest LP. She always sings in German for this market—and we really regard her as a national artist. I think she is one of the biggest, if not the biggest selling national female artist. And we're hoping for similar success with Demis Roussos who has recorded an

album for us in German.

"Aside from that, we are doing a lot of work with German

singer/songwriters and cabaret-type singer/songwriters and cabaret-type artists. We are trying hard to develop international product produced in Germany, like Asha Puthil on the Autobahn label. International produced produced in Germany can be broken outside—look at Boney M. We are thinking the produced in the control of the very intensively in that direction.

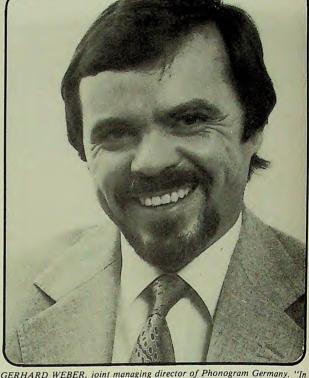
Does the public want German or international product?

"Obviously, what the kids want is international product. But here in Germany it's got a lot to do with the situation with the media. All the radio DJs prefer international product for their programmes. Therefore the kids don't have a chance to listen to anything else. They buy what they hear on the

radio and what they see on the TV.
"It's much easier for a DJ to make an attractive programme using international product, because he knows the titles have already been hits in the UK, in Holland or elsewhere. He doesn't run any risk

— he can always offer proven hits.

"It has definitely to do with language as well. The German kids listen to the international repertoire, but they only understand a few words of it. Yet the kids claim



GERHARD WEBER, joint managing director of Phonogram Germany. "In 1978 we developed quite nicely. Overall, Phonogram has a market share of

There will be no decisions before the next elections in 1980.
"We know middle-aged people still prefer national artists and national songs."

And the problem of parallel

"The problem with parallel imports is that not only do we lose

But in general terms, the first six months of 1979 have not been very good. Perhaps it's because we didn't have the stimulus of the big releases which helped a great deal last year—
Saturday Night Fever, Grease,
Father Abraham— they all
stimulated the market very heavily last year. But having said that, we are looking forward to a good

"We know middle-aged people still prefer national artists and national songs"

German lyrics are naive, not attractive and so on. But what they don't appreciate is that the English

don't appreciate is that the English lyrics may be just as naive.

"Maybe the English is more agreeable to the ears and gives the touch of the big wide world. All these things come together. And what we hear here, these are the proven hits which have done their proven hits which have done their way through the charts in the UK or US. We don't get to listen to the flops. We just get the cream and the cream is always effective.

"As a matter of fact, all the radio stations are government owned and the DIs government employed. They

the DJs government employed. They

are not concerned with ratings."
"They are having discussions about introducing commercial about introducing commercial radio, but it seems a long way off.



ASHA well on the road to success on the Autobahn label. Her promotion is just one example of Phonogram's intention to introduce home artists to an international

the sales, but we are forced to keep our prices down to match those of the importers. But it's more than that. If for example, our salesmen go out with a new Status Quo LP into the shops and the dealer quotes a price of the importers and asks

a price of the importers and asks what price we're offering — what can we do?

"Imports from within the EEC are not illegal. It's like a domestic market. We can do nothing about it except give our dealers a better service. Be out with the product earlier and give them a full service. But what can you offer the dealer if he's able to buy import albums at the he's able to buy import albums at 1 mark 50 cheaper than we can offer? And how can you blame him? The dealer knows that if he doesn't do it, the next guy down the road will. The only way to cope with imports is to try to give the dealers a better deal. Fortunately the value of the pound has increased and made UK imports less attractive. But the UK less attractive. But the UK market itself is now under pressure from Canadian imports. It's a big problem because it hurts our industry worldwide."

Problems of imports, piracy, home-taping apart, are you confident for the coming year?

'Our development is in line with

"TV advertising in Germany has become very risky"

season. We must be optimistic. If you are pessimistic you are lost.

And what about TV advertising?

"TV advertising in Germany has become a very risky market, but at the same time it has become a very important sector of the market. You have to invest heavily to promote on TV. And you have to sell huge quantities to recoup this investment. The market is becoming harder. TV time is limited — we are not only in competition with other TV merchandisers, but also with the soan industry, the motor car soap industry, the motor car industry. And on top of that, the dealers don't choose to stock all TVpromoted albums.

"It's a very competitive market in terms of sales and in terms of purchasing TV time."



NANA MOUSKOURI: Weber says of her: "I think she is one of the biggest, if not the biggest selling national female artist." national female artist.



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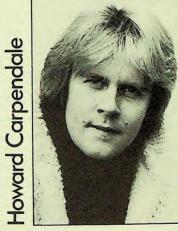
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In an extensive interview, Ossie Drechsler, director of Deutsche Grammophon, discusses his company's recent past and future prospects and also looks at the fortunes and problems of the German record industry as a whole.

Optimism for the 80s

What are the prospects for DG in 1980?

"I'm rather optimistic for 1980, but then I wouldn't like to evaluate my optimism. But the growth of the market must be better than 1979, and it all depends on how many

and it all depends on how liady people during a certain period we can make go into a record shop.

"In 1978, with six pieces of product — the single, Rivers of Babylon, the album Nightflight To Baoyion, the adult ingitting the Venus, Father Abraham and The Smurfs single and album, and the two soundtracks, Saturday Night Fever and Grease, we made some seven or eight million people go into the record shops and buy.

"This proves the power of '78,

but at the same time proves the lack of business in '79. In 1979, there was not one record that sold more than a million copies. We are doing well with certain acts, Dire Straits for example, but in comparison to 1978, it's only one third maybe."

Is this because the product just hasn't been there?

"The product hasn't been there. I wouldn't like to use a word like quality, but let's say there hasn't been the attractiveness of product.

And by attractive I mean able to draw someone into a record shop.

That is my simple mathematics. But what, in 1979, have been your big sellers?

"I must mention the continuing success of Barclay James Harvest. They sell much better here in Germany than in the UK. Of course, we're doing well with Spirits Having Flown and Jean Michel Jarre with Oxygene/Equinoxe. And we are replacing turnover from '78 in '79 with TV merchandised material

What sort of material do you merchandise on TV?

"The main sales come from hit compilations. On the Polystar label we released a very successful James Last album and we are doing very well with Karel Gott, the singer from Prague. There will be a Fischer-Chore LP and another James Last LP. So it's partly international product and partly domestic. The sales potential of all these albums is

very high.
"But it's replacement, creativity. It's a marketing exercise. It's not the basics of the industry we're in. We are simply replacing turnover with these things."

What about picture discs,

coloured vinyl etc.?

'These things don't sell music. They are attractive to a certain small number of consumers, but I don't believe in these gimmicks in the long

"Dire Straits didn't need any yellow vinyl or picture discs. With them it was just the naturality—if that's the right word—of the group. It's like going back to nature in a way. Theirs is a natural kind of music - and I was with Phonogram music — and I was with Phonogram when we started with Dire Straits. Like most others, I was a strong believer in the group when I heard the first tapes in summer 1978. I think that's what we need in our business — refreshment in a natural way. In the long run it's more healthy healthy

Have the public cut down on buying records because they don't have so much disposable income?

not really the right "I'm economical expert to ask this, but I remember through all the years, whenever there's been a crisis — an economic crisis - people think twice about buying a new fridge, car or furniture, but they never give up newspapers and, I'm pretty sure, as long as there's the right offer — the right musical offer — they would spend the same amount of money or even more than they did in 1978, on records. It's lack of product, lack of the right musical offer that's to blame — that's my philosophy and I believe very strongly in it."

What about home-grown German talent and product?

German talent and product?

"For many years we have had trouble trying to establish German talent in this market. And I think this has something to do with the fact that English, American and Swedish artists and producers jumped directly into the middle-of-the-road field which in the old days was almost 100 per cent occupied by was almost 100 per cent occupied by German acts and product.

"I think — much to my surprise, by the way — that even the English language doesn't make it difficult for people to buy foreign middle-ofthe-road product.
"But we cannot give up with

German product because of the economics. I'm not telling you new things by mentioning the royalty rates from abroad. I mean they're ridiculous today.
"A lot of German producers have

started recording in the English language — English product produced in Germany; companies who started this in good time are in good shape. And I'm not just talking about Giorgio Moroder, Silver Convention and Donna Summer. There are a lot of local artists who will never see any New York Discotheque maybe, but they are selling ouite well in this country. are selling quite well in this country, by let's say, imitating English language and English productions."

James Last remains one of your biggest sellers?

"We are very happy with James Last, of course. He has sold 39 Last, of course. He has sold 39 million records over 14 years. I don't know any English or American artist who has sold more, except maybe Presley. Every James Last album sells more than 100,000 copies and he's recorded 108 albums so far. He is a steady seller — his albums don't just sell in the first three months of release. He's very impressive, both as a seller and as a impressive, both as a seller and as a

person.
"I must emphasise, we are a songorientated company. We strongly believe in artists with sales potential. We don't go too much for the quick buck on disco singles. Preferably handle artists with album sales potential — and I think that's one of the reasons why we are in good

Is home-taping on the increase in Germany?

"The figures speak for themselves. In 1972, the sales of blank cassettes were around 30 to 40 million. The figure for 1979 is around 120 million. And sales of pre-recorded musicassettes are well down. We know the young people have the recorders. I know, for example, from my own daughter who wrote me a letter saying thank you for the Jethro Tull LP, 'I have you for the Jethro Tull LP, 'I have good news for you, 14 of my friends have made copies of it'

"Home taping and piracy make us very nervous. But talking of the market as a whole, it's not the number one problem. The number one problem is the lack of creativity, the lack of product. Unfortunately I must say that the repertoire is so weak. Everyone — writers, weak. Everyone - writers, producers, arrangers, composers, artists, record companies, lose out through blank taping, but you must remember home taping is not legal



ABBA: DG plan a heavy campaign to promote the new LP and back

Is the law on home taping likely to change?

10 change?

"I don't think so. It's a basic law, and has been since 1948. It's a right for the people. Whenever you buy a tape recorder you pay a levy — bus you only pay this once and you to the thing for maybe five years. The levy amounts to nothing. That's why the industry wants to tax, the the industry wants to tax the software (i.e. the blank cassettes) instead of the hardware. Maybe in two years time the situation will be better for us.

Do you have a problem with

"I must confess the problem was even bigger in the last few years than it is today. But it is still a problem. We must respect the EEC laws, but we fight any imports from the United States and Israel for instance. But we cannot fight imports from Italy, Belgium or the

"We have to try to come up with some alternatives for the dealers. A dealer who takes a lot of import records doesn't benefit from any service from the shipping company
— for example there may be no
returns. Price-wise we try to come
up with some sliding scales. The first thing is, you have to rush release any LP or single which can be imported from England. There are, I must add, some English companies which understand the problem. As licensors they understand because first of all, they cash in by selling their product many featured as the company of their product manufactured and sold in Germany — the royalty rate is much higher than they can achieve through exports from the UK.
"One of the first men to realise

this was Chris Wright at Chrysalis. He and Terry Ellis really understand the problem and gave us a priority in Germany. I swear you could have had any Jethro Tull album or Procol Harum album earlier than you could in England. But that's for the first two or three weeks, after that you compete with direct imports."

What can you offer the dealer to make your records more attractive?

attractive?

"Actually, very little, especially in cases where the price difference is very high. If there is a difference of only say 30 or 40 pffenings, the dealers will stick to the DGG sales force. But, with the big chain stores and department stores, we know if there is a good offer from the Likes. there is a good offer from the UK or from Holland, they will buy the product abroad. There is really a very limited chance to convince the dealer."

Now, coming up to autumn, what are your big campaigns?

"As with other parts of Europe, we will be heavily promoting the Abba albums — the latest one and the back catalogue — this will be a

the back catalogue — this will be a monster campaign.

"And we will be on screen with four TV albums. In a year like 1979, after 1978, with all the problems, without the big hit singles, our sales staff is doing well with back catalogue. Thank God we are still in a market where back catalogue sells strongly. There is only three months to go of 1979, but perhaps there will be a surprise, I don't know.''



JAMES LAST: He has sold more than 39 million records over 14 vears.

Where does Deutsche Grammophon Ges. Stand in the German market?

"There is absolutely no doubt about it: we are number one in classical music, which is the only part of the market with a good growth rate. And we are still number one on domestic product and we are with the others at the top of the international side. With 17 per cent, we are a little bit lower than last year, but we are absolutely number one. We will maintain this position in the future; it's our obligation to do so. DGG has been through the good years and also through the years that could have been better, but they've always maintained the number one position. It's a tradition in this country."

Your final comment?

"I would recommend to everyone in the United States and in England to consider the situation regarding the royalty rates What the companies are expecting from us is almost suicide. You have to have room, space, for promotion. But it's our own fault over the years if we have tried to replace lack of homegrown product by buying in material from abroad."



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GERHARD SCHULZE, managing director of Teldec: "We are hungry for

TELDEC IS LOOKING good. As managing director Gerhard Schulze says: "We are not sharing with other companies in saying that in Germany this has been a bad year." The figures speak for themselves:

Compared with figures for the same period last year, the first six months of 1979 show that Teldec's sales have risen 112 per cent for singles, 76 per cent for LPs (high price) and 70 per cent for musicassettes (high price).

As a recent company statement said: "Teldec is on the way up."

The artists responsible for this rise in fortunes — and MD schulze points out that Teldec pays careful and long-term regard to artist devaloration.

development — are many.

Patrick Hernandez sold more than 750,000 units of Born To Be Alive, Peter Maffay sold 500,000 copies of the single So bist Du and over 500,000 copies of the album, Steppenwolf. Richard Clayderman's Ballade Pour Adeline sold 400,000 copies and the album, 300,000 copies. The Dutch duo, Snoopy, has a remarkable success. Their single, No Time For A Tango, sold 300,000 units

lan Dury, Peter Green and Eurohits have also done well for Teldec. And, more recently, the Nick Straker Band and La Dusseldorf have seen chart action.

And Teldec has ventured successfully into TV advertising with a Mantovani compilation, Ein a Mantovani compilation, Ein Traum Fur zwei which has shipped

Traum Fur zwei which has shipped more than 300,000 units.

Schulze comments: "We are always looking for small deals. By that I mean deals with smaller companies, or even one-off deals for particular singles. These are the deals we are trying to pick up. We have had success with Stiff, Beserkley, Hernandez, C & R from Holland, Creole, Pinnacle, Rialto and H & L from America. Like the small companies, we are hunger for small companies, we are hungry for

"We are very successful with German artists, but this market is wide open to the reception of

have to make sure that all efforts are done from both sides.'

A recent report states, "Looking back on 1978, Teldec did not reach all targets, nevertheless taking all the problems into consideration the company was satisfied with a turnover increase of six per cent on the German inland market.

"The catalogue gap caused by RCA going independent and MCA going to Metronome in Germany meant that Teldec was to lose valuable market shares. This gap, however, has in the meantime been sufficiently filled due to careful repertoire and market strategical

policy."

Teldec's national pop repertoire is well taken care of by Udo Lindenberg, Peter Maffay and

Lindenberg, Peter Maffay and Jurgen Marcus.

The company also has strong connections with German folk music— its big names in this field being Ernst Mosch and the Egerlander Musikanten and Slavko Avsenik and his Original Oberkrainer. And in the classical field, over the last year Teldec's sales are up 30 per cent with a market share of 16 points.

A company statement said recently: "It is aimed to get a total turnover of 100 million DM for

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"We are very successful with German artists, but this market is wide open to the reception of international material and so are we."

international material and so are

Schulze adds: "Staying with the Schulze adds: "Staying with the artist is important — and vice versa. Peter Maffay (currently one of the biggest sellers in Germany) had his first hit single some ten years ago. He went into the doldrums, but now he is back on top. And Udo Lindenberg is now on his 14th album for us. We stay with our artists. You have to rely on each other and you. have to rely on each other and you

1979." This looks highly likely especially with the company's policy of looking for deals with smaller companies. Teldec seem, and this is the view of an unbiased observer, refreshing and determined aspect of the German scene.
It should also be added that

Teldec's pressing plant at Nortorf has achieved worldwide fame, with American and UK companies anxious for facilities.



PETER MAFFAY, who had perhaps Germany's biggest hit of the last year, receives a gold disc for the LP Steppenwolf from Manfred Peter (right) Teldec's head of pop marketing.

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Harvest heads rock label table

WHEN THE FIRST German hard rock bands began recording in the early seventies, nobody believed they would go on to make millions.

Today, the picture is most encouraging. The leading five groups, Kraftwerk, Tangerine Dream, Udo Lindenberg, Klaus Schulze, Triumvirat, have together sold more than 12 million records worldwide.

worldwide.
They are followed by a large field of acts who's albums sell more than 100,000 each: Can, Eloy, Jane, Scorpions, Amon Duui II, Passport, Lake, Birth Control, Achim Reicherl, Lucifers Friend, Novalis, Kraan, Ash Ra, Nina Hagen, Grobschnitt, Wallenstein Torfrock, Ougenweide, Michael Rother, Guru

Leading German rock writer and publisher GUNTER EHNERT looks at the state of German rock music.

Guru, Teens, Eberhard Schoener.

That means that every fourth German band with a recording contract is good for sales figures in excess of 100,000 albums. Many German bands and solo artists are rising in popularity in foreign countries too, which is being matched by rising sales figures in these territories. This was the situation some years ago for Kraftwerk, Tangerine Dream, Klaus Schulze, Can and Triumvirat. Today it's relevant for Lake, Nina Hagen

and the Scorpions.

Whereas the Brain label, through Metronome, was leading in the German rock music market for years, it's EMI's Harvest which is now the leading rock label in Germany.

Germany.

Although EMI does not belong to the pioneers and promoters of German rock music, they succeeded in gradually contracting most of the top bands (Kraftwerk, Triumvirat, Can, Eloy, Scorpions and Eberhard Schoener).

German boom

There are many others in the field who are doing well in the boom of German rock bands and electronic music specialists: Metronome's Brain label has an enormous back catalogue with musicians such as Grobschnitt, Guru Guru, Jane and Klaus Schulze (who recently signed a worldwide exclusive deal with Metronome for a seven figure sum); Teldec with its Strand label and artists such as Udo Lindenberg and La Dusseldorf; RCA with the group Wallenstein; WEA with artists such as Snowball, Doldinger's Passport and Joachim Kuhn Band; CBS with Lake and Nina Hagen; Phonogram with Rudolf Rock and Die Schocker; Intercord with the Spiegelei label and Hoelderlin; Hansa with The Teens and the leading East German

group The Puhdys; Ariola with Virgin artists Tangerine Dream and Ash Ra; the newly formed company Sky with Michael Rother and Cluster. There is a growing tendency for

There is a growing tendency for smaller labels to become established outside the majors — similar to the development in England.

Small labels

These smaller labels give chances to rock newcomers and are already, generally, pretty successful. Former Rattles member, Achim Reichel founded the Ahorn label (distributed by Teldec) and Klaus Schulze has built up his own IC label, distributed by WEA. Intercord succeeded in contracting the Erlkonig label for distribution.

It's evident that German rock music is, and will be, a strong pillar of any record company as an interim statement from EMI shows: Their Harvest label in Germany has sold more than 2 million albums of home-grown rock to date.



LEADING GERMAN rock artist Udo Lindenberg is signed to the Teldec label and has made 14 albums for them so far.

The	Harvest	Top	10	sales	
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Kraftwerk		3LPs		428,000	
Triumvirat		6LPs		283,000	
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Kraan		2LPs		64,000	
Eloy		7LPs		698,000	
Scorpions		1LP		179,000	
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How has the last year been for Electrola?

Electrola?

"In the past 12 months, especially, you know that in Germany the situation has not been so as in previous years. Just to look at one fact, you know that in our market we have been hit by a lot of parallel imports. Figures vary, but there was a time when we estimated that 20 per cent of retail sales were imports. I'm sure that in the last year, these imports have been considerably reduced. As far as Electrola is concerned, last year you can see from the figures that we have lost a bit of our previous market share. But, nevertheless, in the charts at least we have maintained a leading role. Germany is no exception to the general situation in the rest of the world."

Are you coping with the imports problem? "With parallel imports the origins

"With parallel imports the origins of the problem were with the vast difference in prices. But, suddenly, the countries around us have increased their prices. For instance prices in the UK have gone up considerably. France and Italy have also increased their prices. Germany did not, or rather could not, increase, so the margins have narrowed a bit."

Looking back over the past year, what have been your biggest successes?

"I have just returned from presenting Alan Parsons with three gold discs and one platinum disc.

gold discs and one platinum disc.
"With German acts, our biggest success has been with the Scorpions. It is particularly pleasing that we have been able to break them abroad. Usually it is a one-way street coming in, very seldom going-out. We regard the Scorpions as a very big success for our company."

Friedrich E Wottawa is managing director of EMI/Electrola. In a frank interview with *Music Week*, he analyses the current position of Electrola.







HOWARD CARPENDALE (above left) is EMI/Electrola's choice for this Christmas' TV push. Above centre is organ player Franz Lambert who was last year's successful TV promo album. Above right is Friedrich E Wottawa, managing director of EMI Electrola.



THE SCORPIONS: One of the German acts to be broken internationally by EMI/Electrola.

With Arista going to Ariola, how will you fill this gap?

now will you int thin gap:

"Certainly Arista has been for us a very important label. But if you look at the size of our company, you will see that we will certainly be able to replace this. I'm very glad at the moment that Capitol and United Artists are taking off in a big way in Germany. We have had UA since January, but have yet to issue the full catalogue. Gerry Rafferty is in the charts now and we are working on Dr Feelgood, Buzzcocks and the Stranglers. Capitol have had great success recently with The Knack—they are taking off now very rapidly. There was a time when Capitol was not so strong in Germany, but now it's different."

Do you agree there are still too many records being released?

"I completely agree. As far as we're concerned, we have introduced a scheme where we restrict ourselves, just so that we can put our full effort behind everything we release. I believe it doesn't make too much sense to make releases that you can't really try to break into the market."

Is there generally a shortage of talent?

"I think there is always a shortage of good talent. The impression I get is that in other countries there are more opportunities for young talent to develop. Where in Germany can they learn? Where can they go on stage? They have to jump straight into the big-time — onto TV or as support on a major tour."

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facts that are really important for development in the German market. First, there is the current economic situation all over the world — and especially in the States which as we all know is not too good at present and which influences Germany and Europe very hard.

"Because of this situation, the money the consumer can spend on records is less. It's very simple. Secondly, the whole leisure industry is fighting for that small segment of the market and trying to get their share. Our feeling is that it's more sharp now than in the past. It's not

so easy.
"The third point is home-taping. Unfortunately in the past we only talked about this subject and nothing really was done about it. In

JOHANN SPEYER is marketing director for WEA Germany. Here he assesses the market from the marketing man's point of view.

lome-taping a problem

the past year, more blank tapes have the past year, more blank tapes have been sold on the German market than LPs. And it is more a problem with the international repertoire than the domestic product."

Which albums are most hit by home-taping?

Any album which is in the field of hard rock. For example AC/DC, Jethro Tull, Status Quo, Led

Zeppelin, Van Halen. Our new big albums for this autumn by Rod Stewart, The Eagles and Fleetwood Mac are typical fodder for home-taping. We know from experience taping. We know from experience with Rumours. With WEA, musicassettes are the same price as musicassettes are the same price as albums, but with some of our competitors, the musicassettes are more. I think this is wrong philosophy. Cutting the price of musicassettes may be the answer, but we may yet find a legal remedy.

"My fourth point concerns the them the repeating itself. Or the

talent, the repertoire itself. On the domestic front, WEA has had a really successful year with a share of 22 per cent of domestic repertoire which is high for an American company only eight years established in Germany. We are proud of this position, especially artists like Supermax and Luisa Fernandez.

"We believe that it is a good policy to sign creative producers rather than big-name artists — hoping that they will sell as well in

Economic situation not too good at present

past. You can really catch a cold on such a deal. A good example in Germany has been Vicki Leandros. She changed from Phonogram to

She changed from Phonogram to CBS for a very large sum and now she's just not happening or selling.

"On the other hand, we have just signed a deal with Klaus Schulze, one of the premier electronic rock musicians in Germany, as a producer. We have just received the first LPs from this deal and believe we are on the right track. Our philosophy is to go to the heart of

the creative side, composers and producers — not established bigname artists."

Your plans for the autumn?

"We have four big acts with albums out now — Foreigner, Eagles, Rod Stewart and Fleetwood Mac. And they all come at once! Not only do we have problems on the manufacturing side, but we have to promote and advertise them all at the same time. The overall aim is to make everyone aware of these albums."

Are you confident for WEA in Germany in 1980?

"We are looking very optimistically at the future. We really believe in the creative potential of WEA. That is the beginning and end of our business." I'm convinced of that. We are building our acts such as Snowball and Passport and plan to break them abroad as well as in Germany."



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Distributor, in 1976. And to date
He started with 50 titles from
several small production companies
which wouldn't have stood a chance
within the distribution systems of

the big companies

Now, Monch's Music Distributor has a sales team of four, soon to be increased to eight. One of its biggest successes has been with the Antagon label which represents Fats Domino exclusively worldwide. His last album, Sleeping On The Job reached the 60,000 sales mark in Germany, the 60,000 sales mark in Germany, the Austrian rock group Schmetterlings (Butterflies) has sold more than 30,000 of its three LP package Proletenpassion (Poor Mens Passion). Tony Sheridan with the Elvis Presley band and several other artists have achieved success through small labels via Music Distributor.

Distributor.

This year, Monch got surprising sales action for a 12 LP rock package, featuring such bands as The Broughtons, Malicorns from France, Welcome from Switzerland plus Efendi's Garden and Mythos from Germany. The whole package was announced as New Coming (see picture above) with the albums selling for DM 5.90 and a picture disc for DM 9.90. Now Monch to planning similar New Coming packages on folk, reggae and country and western.

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Hamburg, looks over the past year and to the future for publishers in Germany.
"Business for 1979 for us has been in line with previous

"Business for 1979 for us has been in line with previous years which means a substantial increase in profits to the year's end, which, of course, has to be estimated for the last quarter," he says.

"The re-signing of Stevie Wonder and the new signing

of Kiss — who broke big with their album Dynasty and single, I Was Made For Lovin' You — have been the highlights of 1979.

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"The year 1979 started for us with Queen's sensational Bicycle Race, which was followed by Kate Bush's Lionheart album. Elton John had his biggest success ever in Germany with the LP, Single Man and the single, Song

"Barclay James Harvest has been a top 20 album for 96 weeks and is developing into one of the best selling groups

"We are proud and happy that four of our acts, Kiss, AC/DC, Cheap Trick and Peter Tosh, broke during the last quarter and it looks as if all of these four will establish their success.

"Reiner Schoene's album, Automatenlacker, is getting very good reviews and with his October tour, we are looking forward to making him one of the well-known German language rock n roll acts.

"Moreover, this goes for the Berlin group, Morgenrot,

who have just released their debut album - we think it's

hot.
"Boo Boo's Heart, who have their single, Day After
Day out on RCA, will be in the studio later this year for
their first album. They are regarded as top priority by the

company as is John Kincade with 21. Together with Lake's new set up and Key working on an album, we will be ready for the eighties.
"We feel that in line with the increase of mechanical

income in relation to performances, publishers will depend more and more on the success of their record

"The fear that a further back-stroke of sales, which would only have an impact on our results 12 to 18 months later is affecting the publishers' policy somehow. We will have to be more careful and selective in signing

expensive artists and paying substantial advances,
"The fact that 1639 per cent of the total income of a
cover version will be paid to the lyric writer hardly
encourages a sub-publisher to go for local vocals without
a special split for cover records.

a special split for cover records.

"Definitely there is national talent. Germany's problem, however, from my point of view, is a lack of good management training and promotion.

"We have been very lucky with placing original copyrights by Zanki, Detlev Petersen, James Hoppkins Harrison and others in the USA and UK. The success that German groups and writers are gaining outside their own territory should be a motivation for publishers and producers to invest time, experience and money in such talents.

"The new split between publishers and original writers referring to mechanicals, can only show its effect later. However, we feel it won't change our attitude to sign many good original writers as, in the long run, the retained income and the fact that we have their songs for the life of copyright, will make them the ones to create the standard catalogue.



KATE BUSH: a good start to the year

Positive year for Peer in publishing and production

MICHAEL KANSTEDT of Peer Musikverlage, Hamburg reports a good year, with "positive development of the last few years continued and successes in both publishing and production.

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He adds, "Although we tried hard to get German copyright, most of our hits were made out of foreign copyrights. We believe that this reflects the general development in

Germany.
"It is a particular problem that only limited interest and enthusiasm is shown and invested in German

works, artists and productions.
"It is easy just to watch the foreign charts which become the decision basis. This behaviour is common amongst producers, in the media and in the retailing field

too.
"Our internal problems combine

closely with this situation. For our German products we must allow a larger promotion budget to get similar returns to that we get from foreign product.

"German newcomers face a stiff

task to break through. It is quite clear that there are several and various problems which add to the fact that there is neither a development nor an existence basis for newcomers.

"Through special efforts, we have built a stable of artists and authors from the available talent pool. But new, fresh blood in the arranging field is very rare."

The UFA family

UFA MUSIKVERLAGE is one of the largest music publishing groups in the field of pop and light music in Germany. Their name is derived from Ufaton-Verlag, established in 1929, when "the motion pictures started talking."

Ufaton controls nearly all soundtracks of the UFA motion pictures — i.e. most of the German classics such as Blue Angel. Two

pictures — I.e. most of the German classics such as Blue Angel. Two years ago Ufaton took over the administration of the Walt Disney Music Co and of Wonderland Co Inc for Germany. 1979 marks the 50th anniversary of UFATON.

Wiener Boheme Verlag, set up in 1919, was acquired by UFA in 1931. Its catalogue contains mostly standards and evergreens, among them some of the most famous hit songs of the twenties, such as Salome by Robert Stolz. Wiener Bohem Verlag will celebrate its 60th anniversary in 1979.

Bavariaton-Verlag was acquired by UFA in 1963. Established in 1932, it controls mostly soundtracks of Bavarian motion pictures.

of Bavarian motion pictures.

In January 1979, two more publishing houses — AHN & Simrock and Crescendo were added to the UFA group.

Music Edition Discoton, another member of the UFA family,

concentrates mainly on contemporary music. Apart from German pop music, it also acquires foreign song catalogues for exploitation on the German market. Lately Discoton has increased its record production activities.

record production activities.

In addition, the UFA group represents a number of publishing partners: Edition Rex, Edition Alfie and Interworld Musikverlag (holding such copyrights as Jimi Hendrix, Henry Mancini and Barry White), Edition Simon-Musik and Pirol Musikverlag.

Dr Josef Bamberger, manager of UFA, describes his company's aims

UFA, describes his company's aims and objectives as follows:

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"Our primary aim is the exploitation of the standard catalogues through large scale promotion activities in the various media, keeping a well assorted stock of printed music available for music dealers, maintaining contact with professional bands and orchestras as well as with journalists and aradio well as with journalists and aradio as with journalists and radio DJs and programmers.



DR JOSEF BAMBERGER

"The UFA chain closely cooperates with all potential distribution partners concerning the sale of mastertapes and productions to be made on UFA's behalf. This will enable UFA to reach a variety of

artists and producers.

"The UFA music publishing group has also signed up artists such as Julia Migenes and Rene Kollo.

"Acquisition of international catalogues — sub-publishing deals have been made with Virgin, Jobete, Desert Songs and Musiza. This branch of the publishing business is being further developed."

Success for Intersong

ON THE International front, Intersong has had particular success in Germany with new wave bands that have made it big in the UK and US.

The Boomtown Rats (I Don't Like Mondays) (Zomba Music) have broken through and Blondie (Rare Blue/Monster Island Music) have had big successes with Heart Of Glass, Sunday Girl and the

current album Eat To The Beat. Other successes include Rainbow, Dennis Brown, Darts, John Miles, Dennis Brown, Darts, John Mil Whitesnake. Inga Rumpf, Germany's leading female rock singer has just finished her new album, I Know Who I Am.

Intersong's most successful German writer/producer is Drafi Deutscher. His composition Mama Leone has sold more than 8.5

million recordings.

Rock Hopper Music has turned out to be the company's most important catalogue deal, encompassing Rumours and the current Fleetwood Mac LP, Tusk.



HORST FUCHS of Intersong

On the production side, Intersong has started producing country and western songs by German artists with German lyrics. Two records are already out on the Blue Jeans label (Phonogram), Ich Brauch Country by Tex Rodgers and Keine Matzchen Schatzchen by Greyhounds.

All according

ACCORD OF Cologne reports a good year. Rudi Petry says, "The last year has been a good one. We have been content with the results. they have been up to our expectations; Our best results have been with the Neil Diamond Catalogue."

Accord, while being a member of the EMI publishing group, is a daughter company of EMI/Ele-ectrola, concentrating on German

national product.
"We are not just in the hit business," explains Petry, "it's we are not just in the hit business," explains Petry, "it's essential for publishers not to stand just on one leg. We represent the publishing interests of Christian Anders and of Hugo Strasser's dance orchestra. The business is becoming harder and harder and more competitive, so you need to cover more than one field."

Petry sums up the publishing scene in Germany, "It is a big green field with enough grass to keep a lot of cattle satisfied."

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Polydor International's popular repertoire division is based in Hamburg. Here, Michael Hoppe, director of the division explains its function:

Polydor's pyramid power

departments, product, promotions and operations. PRD is responsible for exploiting internationally all Polydor repertoire.

"We are also responsible for pushing all acts which come from our operating companies. Providing they have had some success in their own territory, then it is up to us to take it here and push it worldwide. centre, the hub in the middle of a wheel. When we hear a buzz, it is for us to tell all other countries what is happening with specific items. We also provide funds to promote these artists, be it through tour support, film clips or whatever. It really is a huge liaison function."

The division has been completely re-organised under Michael Hoppe and, to emphasise this and to give the division an image,

"Our slogan is 'your source of force'," explains Hoppe. "Basically that is that PRD has a wide base, that is that PRD has a wide base, contains considerable wealth, there are many sides to it and they all point to the stars. It symbolises the multifarious nature of PRD. We feel that one of the things that hasn't happened here for quite some time is that there was very little show in the showburings. showbusiness

"I know that now we will be able

to assist our operating companies across the world to a greater extent that we have done previously.

"The product department, headed by Rudiger Litza, is responsible for collecting the information from abroad, finding out what has been released where and with what success, and helping these companies promote their material internationally.
"So often we have excellent stuff

"So often we have excellent stuft that becomes buried. Because of volume, things can be missed, things of great potential. These guys here are a sort of sifting office, sorting out what's worthwhile promoting and what isn't.

"Different markets have different conditions and you can't necessarily

conditions and you can't necessarily promote something that has been successful in one particular market

all over the world.
"If, for example, Germany sends us something they feel is very strong, then we assist them to place it internationally and give them feedback on what's happening."

MICHAEL HOPPE, director of Polydor International's PRD is pictured (far left) with (l to r) Hille Hillekamp (manager promotion department), Hans Burghard (manager operations department) and Rudiger Litza (product department).

Why is the PRD division based

in Hamburg?
"A lot of people ask us that. Sure, Hamburg is not exactly the gateway to the music world. It started here many years ago, through DG and Semens and has

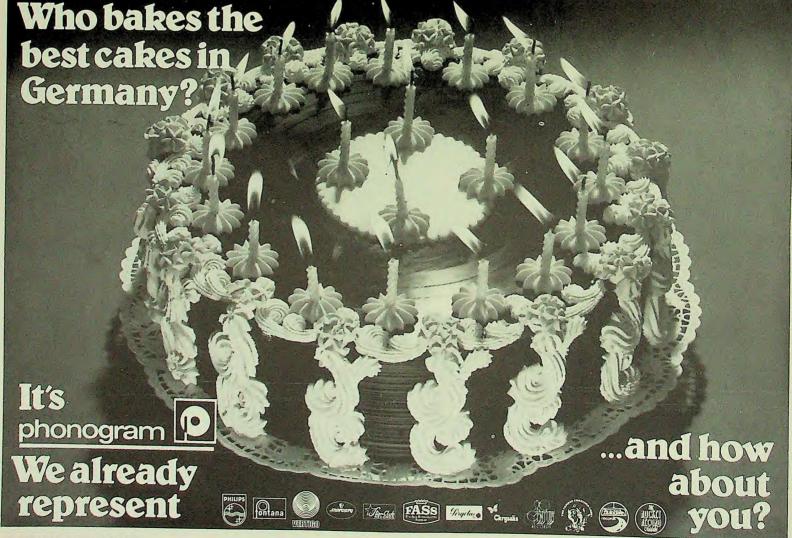
through DG and Semens and has remained since."

Another new aspect of the PRD division is that they will be holding regular 'workshops'.

"A and R workshops, with representatives from various companies worldwide are most important to discuss what the new various deals are and where we're going. We plan to run three or four a year in various major cities. There will also be promotion workshops." will also be promotion workshops.'



ALAN PARSONS, pictured above third from left, whose success in Germany has been nothing short of amazing. He is pictured with EMI/Electrola managing director Friederich Wottawa (centre) and various other music business people, receiving a platinum disc for sales of more than 500,000 units of Pyramid, another gold disc for Pyramid, and gold discs for both I Robot and his latest album, Eve, which reached gold status before it was released. Eve has joined all three previous Alan Parsons Project albums which are still in the German charts. Tales Of Mystery And Imagination (110 weeks), I Robot (109 weeks), Pyramid (67 weeks) are still selling well. Combined international sales of the four Alan Parsons Project albums to date is estimated at over 5 million. Germany apart, there have been good results in Italy. Argentina. Spain. Portugal. Canada and Australia. But. strangely, sales in the there have been good results in Italy, Argentina, Spain, Portugal, Canada and Australia. But, strangely, sales in the UK are not that significant.



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passed its peak so far as West German record buyers are concerned, and there is now more awareness among younger people of new-wave music, claims Peter Meisel, head of the Hansa organisation which during the last 12 months alone has had millionselling records around the world with two disco-orientated acts in particular, Boney M and Amii Stewart.

Meisel describes the general Germany record market as being 'a little slow''

would estimate that sales "I would estimate that sales generally are down by about ten percent on last year but this is only in line with what is happening internationally. In fact, West Germany hasn't been as affected as much as some European countries where sales are down by up to 20 percent," he says.
"It is not so much a financial

"It is not so much a financial situation as the fact that musically speaking there is nothing exciting happening at all," Meisel continues. "Disco music over the last few months has been rather samey. There is no real incentive for people to go out and buy records. What is needed is exciting

records. What is needed is exciting product and some new names. "Unfortunately the television and radio network in West Germany doesn't actually encourage new talent although there are signs that this picture is gradually changing, so far as TV is concerned. A couple of programmes have started quite recently which feature new wave and rock music, and the results are already coming through."

Meisel adds: "West Germany needs more commercial radio and

needs more commercial radio and TV stations, although when that will happen I don't know. At the

Disco losing out to new wave awareness



BONEY M. Their international success goes unabated.

moment, the radio stations are all government controlled. The pop music scene is totally different in Germany compared to England and there is really less new talent coming through because of the absence of suitable outlets.

"Unlike the UK, there are very

few live rock venues - there must be thousands of pub rock places in Britain where bands can play but in Germany the only real way of getting music heard is on a juke box or in a discotheque. It worries me that there are few opportunities for West German kids to hear live

Meisel also says that many people have a conservative attitude towards new-wave music in Germany and claims that because of the lack of venues for young bands to get important exposure, the West Germany record market is

"I would reckon that something like 80 per cent of the

total record sales we have are foreign productions. . ."

gradually been swamped by foreign product.
"I would reckon that something

like 80 per cent of the total record sales we have are foreign productions. The figure has been increasing over the last five years and unless something is done soon

and unless something is done soon then it is likely to get higher." Despite his rather pessimistic warning, Meisel reports that so far as Hansa is concerned, the future is

very encouraging. The international success of Boney M goes unabaited and the last nine months have seen the emergence of another massive record seller, Amii Stewart who has multi-million selling hits with Knock On Wood and Light My

Knock On Wood and Light My Fire.

"We're doing terrific, business has never been better," Meisel says. "At the moment we have eight records in the West German Top 50 including two by Amii Stewart. Another is by Kingston King, a Dutch reggae artist. The trend is gradually switching from disco, but we are well equipped to change with any trends that come along.

along.
"I'm very hopeful for the chances of Japan, the rock band, who have been doing very well. Their latest album sold about 20,000 copies in Germany which may not be a lot but it is a start. We have made important in-roads

with the band's musical career."

Meisel says that piracy is not too great a problem in the West German record market but in line with most other European with most other European countries it does face problems from home-taping.

"Probably about three percent of the market share is lost annually to the home-tapers. Unless somebody comes up with a signal which can be put on records to prevent taping, then the situation is going to get even more serious. The only alternative is to impose a levy and that is a distinct possibility for next year.

next year."

Can Meisel predict Hansa's rate growth for the next year?

"That is difficult to estimate. What we intend to do is build on what we have, which is what we have done the last few years. If our growth continues percentage wise as it has done in the past, then I shall be more than happy."

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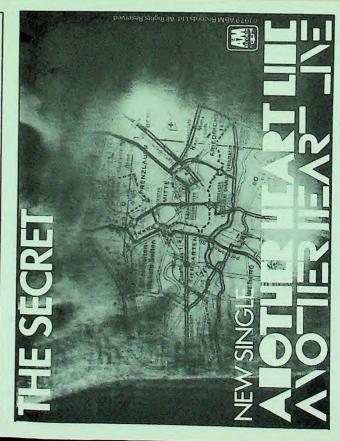


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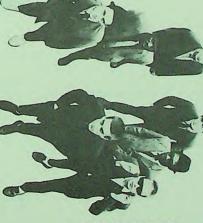
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The Go-Between respectively.

Unfortunately, Legrand was unable to fulfil his original conducting role owing to an injury sustained while playing tennis recently, but Peter Knight proved an effective last-minute substitute with the baton, and happily Legrand's dazzling piano technique was unaffected by his infirmity.

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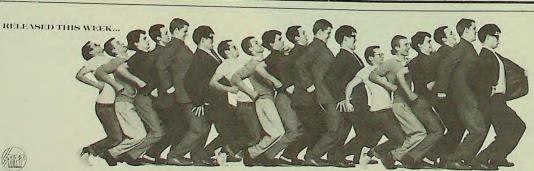
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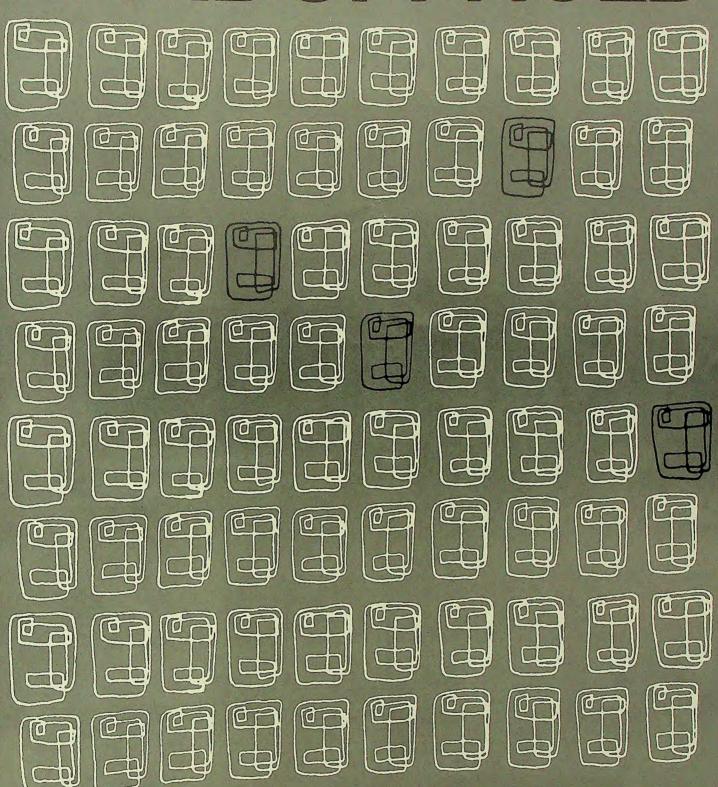


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And that little lot doesn't even take into account the act you genuinely believed in when you saw them down the Marquee or when a regional promotion man persuaded you to a club out in the sticks, but now that you have set them up with new instruments and amps and a transit van and a flat in Bayswater

— now they've somehow lost their original raw excitement, but they are locked into a three year contract and protected by a sharp manager.

Cynical

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Week tacked them on the subject.
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EMI is one company which should
be taking a particularly close look at
its artists' roster, and to his credit A and R director Brian Shepherd admits that he is at least tightening his grip on the A and R purse

"We're looking more closely at the roster and at future deals in terms of costing and with regard to the reduced market size," he said. "We continue to look for new talent, but we are bearing commercial considerations and

THE RECORD industry's brush with recession has resulted in hundreds of lost jobs, drastically pruned marketing and promotion budgets and fewer five-star meals for middle management executives. But how has it affected the most vital area of the industry — talent acquisition? Is it now more difficult for new acts to break through? Are the A and R men throwing out the dead wood from their rosters and applying new strictures to signing new acts? The answers to these questions should be "yes" if one believes that a contributory factor to the industry's present state has been an over abundance of mud being slung at a rapidly shrinking wall.

&R: the art of selection

discipline very much in mind.

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"If an A and R man really believes in an act, he'll still make a deal of course. But we are going for a lesser number of acts representing

John House has only recently slipped into the Pye A and R seat so it is easier for him to take a new broom to somebody's else's signings. "Unless we are totally convinced that an artist has a future convinced that an artist has a luture and is going to deliver hit product then that artist is going to be dropped," he said.

"You could say that there will be

a considerable reduction in Pye's roster although it is too early to say by how much. I believe the recession is the best thing to have happened to

the record industry in the past five years because now everyone has to be 100 per cent committed to a new

signing.
"As far as Pye is concerned, we are looking for a major international act and we are prepared to pay for the privilege."

Long-term future

Vic Lanza, head of EMI's MOR division, agreed that he is being more selective. "It is all down to whether we think an act has a long erm future," he said. "There is still term future, a lot of talent about but they are having to try harder to win a recording deal." being selective, but on the other hand he is also very much in the market to sign new acts. "We seem to be one of the few companies actually going out and signing talent," he said. "At gigs there is a noticeable lack of A and R men around.

Several other companies we spoke to said that yes, they were being selective in signing new talent, but added, rather prissily, that that had always been their policy

anyway.

Chrysalis' A and R director Roy Eldridge hit out at the industry for having "too much body and too little brains" but added that at Chrysalis they of course, had always

FEATURE been selective. "We have kept it tight," he said. "

sign what we really believe in and work closely with the artists on a long term basis to build a career."

A United Artists' spokesman said tersely: "We are making no cut-backs in our artist roster. It has always been our policy to be selective.

Mull Winwood, CBS Records A and R director, took the same stance: "At CBS we always try to be extremely careful in who we sign, and certainly we always look for those who will have long-term potential." Muff Winwood, CBS Records A

Pruning

Over at RCA, A and R director Derek Everett said that he carried out "a certain amount of pruning" when he joined the company two years ago, but has made no further changes recently. "One has to be selective all the time," he said.

WEA, on the other hand, is conversely limiting its previous policy of seeking new talent via satellite label or production deals and is bullishly looking for new

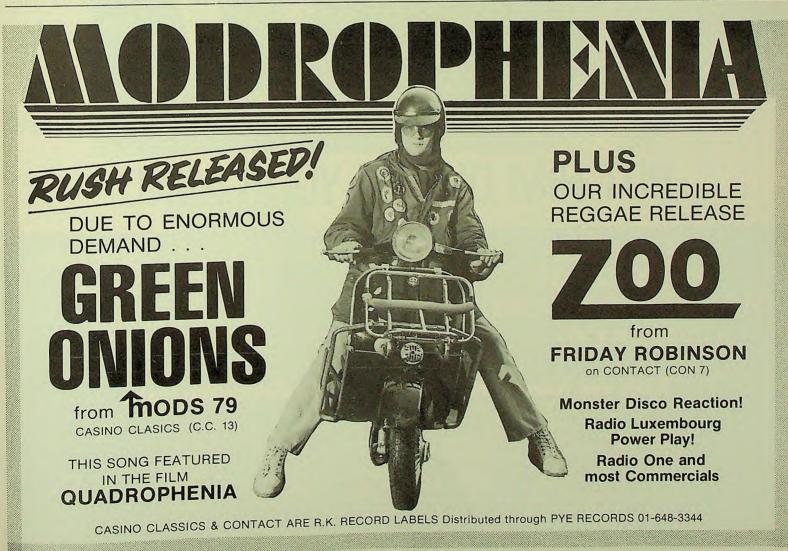
and is bullishly looking for new talent to sign direct — but on a very selective basis, of course.

Judging by all that selectivity going on in A and R offices all over London, we can look forward to a strong growth of new recorded talent in the Eighties.

Unless, of course, the next best thing since sliced bread comes along, and your major act's manager's cousin has got this band, and your Swedish licensee has a local hit act he promised a UK release, and you get drunk at Midem and sign an act you actually rejected in London last year under another name. . . And this time next year you get

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Haitink to play four London dates

appearances, three in the Royal Festival Hall and one in the Fairfield Halls, Croydon, all with the London Philharmonic Orchestra.

And to mark the events, Philips is issuing five records. The first comes from the tour Haitink made with the Concertgebouw, Amsterdam earlier this year, playing among other things, Bizet's Symphony earlier this year, playing among other things, Bizet's Symphony in C.

This work is now coupled on an all-Bizet disc with the Jeux d'Enfants Suite (9500 443 £5.05), also available in cassette form (£5.20).

Two of the other releases are of works which Haitink has recorded in the past, but now tackles from a very different angle. These are Tchaikovsky's Symphony No 4

(9500 622 plus tape) and Bruckner's (9500 622 plus tape) and Bruckner's Symphony No 7 coupled with Wagner's Siegfried Idyll. The last Bruckner 7, made in 1967, has now been deleted.

This 2LP set is available on 6769 028 and on cassette, both retailing at £9.59. They are all with the Concertgebouw.

Finally, there is the issue of two Beethoven symphonies from the complete set released in 1977. No 2 comes out coupled with the Prometheus Overture, and No 4 with the Leonore Overture. Issued on 9500 257 and 9500 258 respectively, they were made with

Two operatic premieres

TWO PREMIERE complete opera recordings enter the catalogue next month, including one conducted by Antal Dorati who is coming to London's Festival Hall on November 19.

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Richard Strauss's opera Die Agyptische Helena which was based on a libretto by Hugo von Hofmannstahfl was first performed in 1928, but has never achieved the popularity of works such as Arabella premiered five years later.

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Until now, just occasional arias have been recorded, but when concert performances of the work was given just prior to the Dorati recording, the opera was received with footstamping acclaim.

Helena is sung by Gwyneth Jones, Menelaus by the Finnish tenor Matti Kastu, the sorceress Aithra by Barbara Hendricks and Altair, an Arab chief by Willard White, and they are accompanied by the Detroit they are accompanied by the Detroit

they are accompanied by the Detroit Symphony Orchestra.

The appearance of Dorati and the DSO at the Festival Hall on November 19 when they play works by Barber, Mendelssohn and Mahler's Symphony No 1, is part of

a European tour.

And Decca is using the tour by presenting Dorati with a gold dise to mark 2 million worldwide sales now achieved by the Hungarian-born



ANTAL DORATI

conductor on Deca.

Die Agyptische Helena is released on D176 D 3 £15.75 and on cassette.

The other operatic recording premiere is part of the Massenet revival — the French composer's Don Quichotte, a "comedie heroique" first performed in Monte Carlo in 1910. Carlo in 1910.

Though very much a minor Massenet, the work is distinguished by touches of Spanish colour (guitar and dance rhythms). The cast is Nicolai Ghiaurov in the title role. Gabriel Bacquier as Sancho, and Regine Crespin as Dulcinee, with the Chorus and Orchestra of the Radio Suisse Romande conducted by Kazimierz Kord. It is released on DI

56D 3 £15.75 and on cassette.

There are two other new operatic recordings this month, one from HMV and the other DG. Karajan's version of Debussy's Pelleas et Melisande, with Richard Stilwell and Frederica von Stade in the title roles, Jose Van Dam and Ruggiero Raimondi, was announced with much pomp earlier this year.

It is certainly a much-awaited

It is certainly a much-awaited recording — it is due to come out in Mid-November on SLS/TC 5172 at £15.95. Only two other recordings Decca (1965) and CBS (1970) are now available.

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Bartok's powerful re-telling of
Duke Bluebeard's Castle also comes
out next month with Dietrich
Fischer-Dieskau and his wife Julia Varady in the main roles (and singing in Hungarian) with the Bavarian State Orchestra conducted by Wolfgang Sawallisch. The single LP is on 2531 172 (£5.06).

It is also worth noting that DG's in is also worth noting that DG's important October operatic release, Berg's Lulu has been delayed because of the printing of the lavish 100-page booklet. This should be delivered to retailers within the first

delivered to relaters within the first two weeks of November. Finally, HMV is re-issuing the recording made by Maria Callas of Ponchiell's La Gioconda in on SLS/TC 5176 (£11.95).

James Galway goes 'Japanese

JAMES GALWAY steps into the delicate, evocative world of Japanese melodies for his next album, James Galway plays Songs from Japan issued by RCA next

The release uses melodies written by Japanese composers earlier this century and combine Western harmonies with the simple, atmospheric lines so characteristic of the Japanese bamboo flute, the shakuhachi. The addition of lush strings give the record a strongly MOR appeal.

The album (RL/RK 25253 £5.49) is the thirteenth to be issued by RCA since "The Man With The Golden Flute" became a showbiz personality, but the number is unlikely to augur bad luck.

The launch is supported by two major TV spots during

November, an nour-tone film entitled Galway in Japan goes out on BBC 2 in November 4, featuring music from the album; Galway is Parkinson's guest on November 24; and he takes part in the Royal Variety Command Performance recorded on November 26 and transmitted on December 2. On the show he will play Song of the Seashore from the album, which will then be released as a

And the autobiography of Galway which was so well received is issued in paperback in November. And RCA is printing 2,000 4-colour posters featuring the complete Galway catalogue, as well as putting in 30 window displays on price sites, In addition to the music press, there will be extensive advertising in the Radio Times and Daily Mail. This record will clearly take Galway sales well into the 2 million mark.



Maxwell Davies release

PETER MAXWELL Davies' Symphony, the massive 50-minute work premiered last year, had a difficult genesis, beginning life as a much smaller-scale work before assuming proportions more attuned to the

But no-one doubted after its premiere that this is a work of immense significance, both in terms of the composers output as a whole, and the British, not to say European symphonic repertoire.

This is indicated, not least, by the surprising speed with which the work has been recorded, though it is typical that it should be Decca, with

typical that it should be Decca, with its pioneering Headline contemporary music series, that should take the plunge.

Maxwell Davies' Symphony is performed by the Philharmonia Orchestra conducted by Simon Rattle (making his first appearance on Decca) with financial assistance from the Arts Council

from the Arts Council.

It is, in some ways, a turning point in Maxwell Davies' own work, partly because of its size, but partly also because of the overt emotional content of the music itself. It is released on Head 21, and retails at

a second Headline disc, again of symphonic music. It is an album devoted to the music of Arne Nordheim, the Norwegian composer (born 1931) who has established a European and reputation. transatlantic

There are three works on this disc. (Head 23, £5.25) Greening, which was commissioned by the Los



PETER MAXWELL DAVIES

Angeles Symphony Orchestra: Doria, for tenor and orchestra with Sir Peter Pears singing the solo part; Sir Peter Pears singing the solo part; and Epitaffio, a piece for orchestra, a large percussion section and a processed tape recording. All three are premiere recordings — made by the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Per Drier. Decra is also issuing a third

Decca is also issuing a third Decca is also issuing a time contemporary music record in November — Nicholas Maw's Life Studies played by St Martin-in-the-Fields under Neville Marriner, the musicians for whom the work was written in 1973.

written in 1973.

Scored for 15 string soloists, the work is more avant-garde in nature than perhaps his best-known piece, Scenes and Arias, (ZRG 622). It's on ZRG 899 and retails at £5.25.

DG's cut-price Bohm

the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, in November to conduct Cosi Fan Tutte.

And to mark the occasion, DG is releasing a number of records

including the opera itself — at a special price of £11.71.

Bohm made this recording at Salzburg in 1974 with Gundula Jacowitz, Peter Schreier, Rolando Pancrai and three others who are repeating their roles at Covent Garden — Brigitte Fassbaender,

Hermann Prey and Reri Grist.

The record however, was made with the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra and State Opera Chorus (2740 118).

The other operas are Strauss' Salome with Gwyneth Jones and Fischer-Dieskau (2721 186 £8.04), and Strauss' Capriccio with Janowitz, Tatiana Troyanos, Schreier and Fischer-Dieskau.

News from the studios

record Shostakovich Symphony No 7 and the Age of Gold Iona Brown and the Philharmonia conducted by del Mar make the premiere recording of Blake's Violin Concerto the London Early Music Group record works by Willaert and his contemporaries.

THE ESTERHAZY STRING QUARTET record Mozart and Haydn The Chicago Symphony Orchestra under Solti record Tippet's Symphony No 4 The Cleveland under Maazel record Elgar's Cello Concerto and Tchaiknowsky's Rocces Variation Tchaikovsky's Rococo Variations with Lynn Harrel Sutherland, Pavarotti and Bonynge come together to record La Traviata

Eberhard Wachter sings the title role in a new recording to be made of Berg's Wozzeck with Dohnanyi conducting the VPO all for Decca.

COLIN DAVIS, Salvatore Accardo and the Concertgebouw record Dvorak's Violin Concerto Jose Carreras and Katia Riccarelli record Opera Love Duets Marriner and the Academy record Mozart Symphonies Nos K 318, 162, 182, 134 Davis and the Concertgebouw also record Mussorgsky's Pictures from an Exhibition all for Phonogram Exhibition all for Phonogram.

PAAVO BERGLUND and the RPO record Vaughan Williams' Symphony No 4 and The Lark Ascending from EMI.

ANTHONY ROOLEY, above left, AINTHONY ROOLET, above eight director of the Consort of Musicke which, this year, is celebrating its 10th anniversary, is shown above left being presented with a gold disc marking 100,000 sales on the Florilegium series after a weekend of concerts at the Wigmore Hall.

Rooley, who is one of the country's leading lutanists, and founder of the Early Music Centre, first recorded for L'Oiseau Lyre in 1973, making a record of lute duets called The Leaves be Greene with the American player, James Tyler.

Since then both he and his group have been busy as recording and concert artists, one of the major projects being the sizeable undertaking of the complete works by John Dowland — most of the music has now been recorded. music has now been recorded.

But at the same time Rooley has But at the same time Rootey has made other records, and the variety is reflected by November's Rooley releases. With The Consort of Musicke, he has started a new project, the recording of much of the music of Wilham Lawes.

The first disc is Lawes: Setts for Violins and Division Viols (DSLO 564 £5.25). But there is also another disc, of music by Holborne, Martin, Hales, Batchelor and John Dowland published in A Musicai Banquet by Robert Dowland, the composer's son, in 1610. (DSLO 555 £3.25 and on cassette). While various songs do exist on other records, this is the only recording featuring the entire

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CLASSICSCENE

Shepherd on the Schubertiade — Shepherd on the Rock, Three Walter Scott songs, Fruhlingsglaube, Die Forelle, etc. Judith Nelson, soprano, Jorg Demus, Alfred Prinz, clarinet. Harmonia Mundi, France, HM 1023/24. 2LPs £7.60.

Judith Nelson is an American soprano whose sojourn in this country over the past few years has helped to change the face of helped to change the face of authentic Renaissance and Baroque singing — so what is she doing singing Schubert? The answer is that singing Schubert? The answer is that she is taking part in the reappraisal of the composer in the light of the reappraisals undergone by the classical world of Haydn and Mozart. It is very interesting indeed to hear a basically light voice blending with a light piano. There are moments when her early music are moments when her early music training leads her to use a certain vocal effect which is utterly convincing and made me re-think parts of the Shepherd, for instance. But sometimes the music begs for a full voice which she refuses to give — though there are times when she — though there are times when she shows she can use it. If the performance of Shepherd on the Rock can be said to be an intriguing bit of Work in Progress, her performance of other songs is more satisfying. The Trout, for instance, shows that the 1840 piano makes far more sense of the light bass lines than the inevitably heavy boom of a modern grand. Altogether, this boxed set shows that Schubert's music will benefit from authentic revaluation, but that the work is still at an early stage.

Symphony No 5, Tchaikovsky, London Philharmonic Orchestra, conducted by Norman del Mar. CFP

New releases

This work was written at a time when Tchaikovsky doubted his creative abilities, though by the numbers of recordings that are currently available, you would never believe it. A new CFP version is justified, I feel, simply by the bargain price at which the work is offered, but unlike a few CFP discs, this is not an outstanding musical conception. Del Mar and the LPO conception. Del Mar and the LPO give a reliable, workmanlike performance, which pushes on relentlessly, making very much of the inexorable drive of the work without stopping to pay much attention to the beauty of detail. However, I still feel it is as good as many of the current recordings selling at twice the price.

Samson et Dalila, Saint-Saens, Elena Obraztsova, Placido Domingo, Choer de L'Orchestre de Paris, Orchestre de Paris, conducted by Daniel Barenboim. 2740 215 3

For some years the British catalogue has been without a complete version of the most famous of Saint-Saen's of the most famous of Saint-Saen's 11 or so operas, Sainson et Dalila which, in view of the other obscurities and multi-recorded operas is ridiculous. This new recording is therefore very welcome, for there are many more beautiful passages than just the one or two arias that find their way onto a disc of excerpts. In fact, listening afresh

to this work, I can understand how Hans von Bulow, Wagner's great champion, regarded it as one of the greatest of 19th century operas. But greatest of 19th century operas. But as Martin Cooper points out in his note, it has needed an absolutely outstanding singer in the part of Dalila to really bring it off. Barenboim, with justification, has pinned his faith on Obraztsova. Though occasionally her intonation is suspect, the dramatic force of her performance breaks past the limitations of recorded opera, and in this she finds a matching partner in Domingo who is also able to convey a true theatrical presence. A vital catalogue addition

Aaron Copland, Appallachian Spring; Charles Ives, Three Places in New England. The Saint Paul Chamber Orchestra, conducted by Dennis Russell Davies, Sound 80 DLK 101. £7.90. Distributors: Metrosound, 4/10 North Road, London, N7 9HN. Tel 607 8141. Marvellous works like Charles Ives

Three Places in New England, with many varied threads layered and muddled deserve the clarity and extra frequency range possible with digital, so in that sense this record is worth importing. It benefits, also, I think, for the fact that this is a direct-to-digital recording. It is a straight-through performance, and the sense of risk and spontaneity is there though there are occasionally safe moments in the Appallachian Spring. However, sales of this record — the first of the American classical digitals available over here from this company, will probably be limited by its high retail price. Presumably, only hi-fi enthusiasts will be interested at £7.90.

Reilly revives a harmonica concerto

IN 1955, Villa-Lobos wrote a harmonica concerto which was premiered, recorded (by John Sebastian) and then, for some reason,

But now the work has re-appeared in a new recording made by the in a new recording made by the virtuoso Tommy Reilly, with two other concertos, by Arthur Benjamin and Malcolm Arnold, and next month it is being issued by Argo.

The record, made with the London Sinfonietta under David Atherton, is one in a number of successful Reilly records. He is a man with a remarkable versatile ability, as respected by session musicians (he played the Dixon of Dock Green melody and many other TV scores and jingles) as he is by orchestras — such as the Sinfonietta and the Academy of St Martin-in-

But to Reilly, this is a quite special record. He had heard of the Villa-Lobos Concerto some years ago, but when he first approached the when he first approached the composer's New York publishers, they denied it existed.

It did, of course, and it is now being released (on ZRG 905 £5.25) with a special cadenza in the last movement written by Reilly himself. "It's a good work, though the best part is the slow movement which has a lovely, typical melody," he explains. Villa-Lobos

"But I didn't like the cadenza, and I wanted to write my own — there are very few people who really understand the harmonica sufficiently to write a cadenza which, after all, should be a

After the many transcriptions that Reilly has made of music by composers ranging from Bach to Smetana, as well as various film scores, the cadenza presented him with few problems.

And he is delighted with the work, Although many concerts and concert pieces have been written for the harmonica and for Reilly personally (the first Harmonica Concerto ever to be written was for Reilly — by Michael Spivakovsky) including works by Gordon Jacob, Vilem Tausky and James Moody, none have the universal appeal of a composer like Villa- Lobos.

It is already beginning to make an impact abroad with Reilly playing the work with various European orchestras, though the demand here seems to be less, in the country (he is Canadian-born) where he has chosen

Originally trained as a violinist, Heifetz remains his idol, and it is this sense of real legato which Reilly feels is his greatest asset. It certainly impressed Stravinsky. When Reilly sent a tape of the composer's Chanson Russe to ask permission to Chaison Russe to ask permission to perform it publicly in the arrangement for harmonica, Stravinsky replied: "After hearing you play my Chanson Russe, you have my permission to play any of my works." Praise can come no higher than that.

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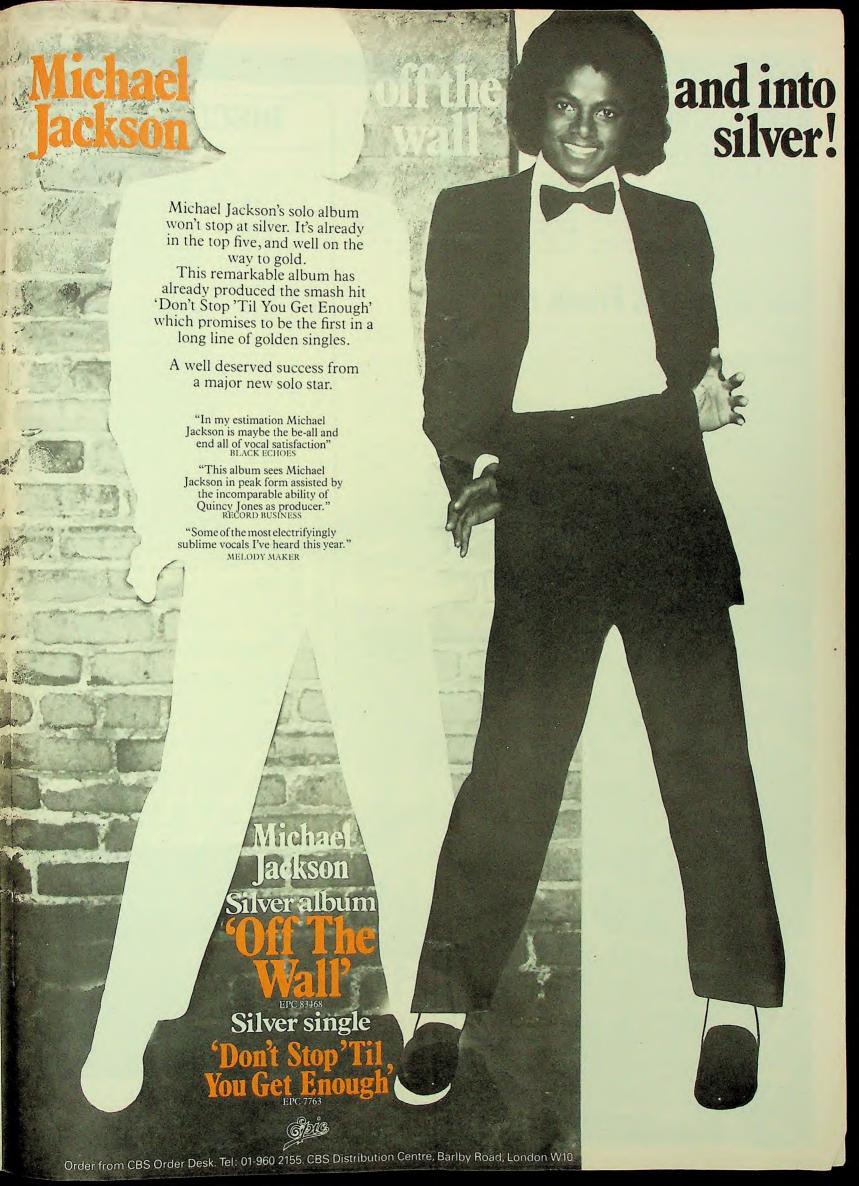
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another hit before Christmas — by linking up with Barbra Streisand on a duel written by Paul Jabara called No More Tears (Enough is Enough).

And to avoid contractual difficulties, Pye will release the 7 inch version of the record on October 18 (4:48mins) and CBS the 12 inch on the 20th (11:44mins).

and CBS the 12 inch on the 20th (11:44mins).

The collaboration came about as a result of Paul Jabara approaching Jon Peters and suggesting that the song would be suitable for a duet.

The track will be featured on a forthcoming Donna Summer double album. On The Radio Vol 1 and 2, which

is set for release on November 2. It will be packaged in a single sleeve, with a poster inserted, and retail at £6.50.

eral new tracks will be included along with Several new tracks will be included along with sestablished Summer classics, the running order being as follows: On The Radio, Love To Love You Baby, Try Me I Know We Can Make It, I Feel Love, Our Love, I Remember Yesterday, I Love You, Heaven Knows, Last Dance, McArthur Park, Hot Stuff, Bad Girls, Dim All The Lights, Sunset People. The fourth side will feature the full length version of No More Tears (Enough Is Enough) and a longer version of On The Radio.

Look out for new labels

ALONG WITH the launch of the Source label in the UK through EMI's Licensed Records Dept (as reported last week), two new labels will be seen shortly in the UK

Pavillion Records, the label created by top East Coast remix engineer Johnny Luongo, is licensed through CBS and the initial product is Barbara Law's Take All Of Me. EarMarc is the label started by Casablanca vice president Marc Paul Simon, and president Marc Paul Simon, and his initial acquisition is the impressive Duncan Sisters. The US B side, the rocky Boys Will Be Boys will be the A side here and, says Casablanca label manager Marvin Howell, EarMarc will have its own label identity.

A Freak revival?

DICK GRIFFEY's Solar Records is on the verge of a revival in the UK, with Dynasty's I Don't Want To Be A Freak crossing over from disco. Next in line will be Shalamar's Second Time Around. For while DJs

have been keeping the name alive by giving heavy play to In The Socket, the ever-shrewed Dave Yeats at RCA has come up with a stirring disco mix of Second Time Around, which automatically gives it 12" precedence.

In the absence of a disco department since the departure of Orville Sweeney, Yates has used the opportunity to take a close scrutiny at the use of DJs for promotion. As a result he and Sally O, who is working independently on RCA product, mailed an anonymous 12" white label featuring Get It Up and Hi Heel Sneakers. The singer turned out to be Ronnie Milsap, latterly known as a blind country singer.

But Dave Yeats emphasises that Milsap's roots are in R&B. "He was originally on Scepter Records, did the original of Let's Go Get Stoned, and was produced by Ashford & Simpson'', he says.

In the meantime, RCA's product manager is watching the results of his excursion into committing jazz to 12" disco form. An old Lonnie Liston Smith track Expansions is gaining momentum and an even greater left fielder will be Sonny Rollins' Harlem Boys.

Sally O is another believer in disco Jazz. She is promoting the various configurations of Crusaders' releases, including the delightful Carmel from Joe Sample and Cordon Bleu from Stix Hooper, already a big import hit. To give the campaign momentum the beautiful control of the comparison of the compa campaign momentum she has produced a four track segued sampler. Featured cuts are Felder's There are Many Ways Along The Road, and Hooper's Cordon Bleu into Sample's Carmel. But the record will be for promotional use

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A SPATE of James Brown releases and a UK visit by the man may not have done a lot to re-affirm JB as the Number One man of disco, but Polydor is not giving up. It is now scheduling three classic tracks from the 1965 era in a 7" maxi disc for late October. The full length version of Papa's Got A Brand New Bag, never previously released in the UK, fills the A side, while Out Of Sight and I Got You (I Feel Good) is on the flip. Catalogue number will be JB 001 and the single comes in a bag, the front of which, see above, shows a shot of James as he appeared on Ready Steady Go in 1965. James as he appeared on Ready Steady Go in 1965.

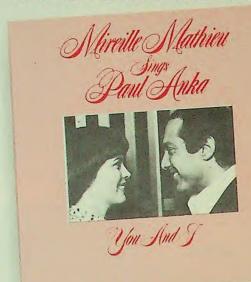


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Caillat. Long-awaited and much-heralded follow up to amazingly successful Rumours. This double — with elaborate and expensive cover — does not have the same impact as its predecessor and while it will still sell in large quantities, one suspects that Rumours will be there in the chart after this one has gone. It will benefit from the impetus of the chart single.

SANTANA

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Marathon. CBS 86008. Producers: Keith Olsen, artists and David De Vore.
The silky guitar backed by Latin rhythms is still there as shown on the brief
title track but there are also several highly commercial cuts featuring the
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DUSTY SPRINGFIELD
Greatest Hits. Philips 9109 629. A long-overduc album which brings together for the first time Dusty's 17 UK hits plus a bonus of three American chart entries. It comes as something of a shock when one realises that the most recent entries. It comes as something of a shock when one realises that the most recent entries. It comes as something of a shock when one realises that the most recent entries. entries. It comes as something of a shock when one realises that the most recent track here, How Can I Be Sure, is nine years old, but suffice to say that none of the recordings sound dated, either in style or vocal presentation. This is an all-too-brief look back at a brilliant recording career which hopefully, with the success of the new single Baby Blue, is is about to start stage two. Listen again to such classics as You Don't Have To Say You Love Me, I Close My Eyes And Count To Ten, I Just Don't Know What To Do With Myself and I'll Try Anything. An album that will firmly restore Dusty to the upper echelons of the chart.

MIKE HARDING

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Komic Kutz. Philips 6625 041. Attractively packaged 2LP set from comedian Harding which will appeal to his many fans and should have increased sales potential because of his upcoming television series for the BBC. There are many who reckon that Harding is the best of the regional comedian-cumsingers who have found success in the last couple of years. Certainly this offering will disappoint no existing admirers.

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Lena's Music Album, Pye N125. She's an established album seller anyway and now with the success of One Day At A Time (included here) which has given her her first-ever hit single, Lena Martell should emulate that Top 10 status with this George Elrick-produced album. It also includes power-house versions of Don't Cry For Me Argentina, You Needed Me, Forever In Blue Jeans and As Time Goes By. All she needs now are a few more original songs she can call her own. she can call her own.

One Voice. Arista SPART 1106. Naturally another big album seller from America's favourite MOR singer, Althogh he could do with a few more hit singles over here. Includes the new single Ships, which could well do the trick, and a mix of big ballads, mid-tempo songs and the obligatory snappy disco number. A big seller.

MANHATTAN TRANSFER

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Extensions. Atlantic K 50674. Producer: Jay Graydon. The extensions seem to be into electronic territory, with much synthesizing to be heard in the accompaniments. New girl Cheryl Bentyne merges well with her colleagues, and this group has to the best of its kind in action anywhere. Some of the songs are repetitive and under par for Transfer standards, but they're compensated for by knockout tracks like Birdland. With this group's popularity and reputation, the right number of airplays and some display assistance from the retail trade, this could be a chart LP.

SPECIALS

2 Tone/Chrysalis. CDL PT5001. Producer: Elvis Costello. Without doubt, this group is one of the hottest acts on the circuit at the moment and the album ose a long way to showing why. Their brand of up-tempo ska (if it's possible to be more up-tempo than some originals) pushes the sounds of the sixties into this decade and probably the next. Numbers like the throwaway Monkey Man and Concrete Jungle move at a fantastic pace but the vocals are weak at times especially on the otherwise excellent new single A Message To You Rudy. But the nasal tones of "Terry" work as well as their previous offering on the ridiculously fast (Dawning Of A) New Era. Costello's production is suitably spasse. sparse.

THE SEARCHERS

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Searchers. Sire SRK 6082. Producer: Pat Moran. Yes, the group is the same, the sound is similar but the material and the treatment is fresh and very much up to date, with very catchy commercial songs penned by Mickey Jupp, Dylan, Tom Petty and a couple of The Records. Hearts In Her Eyes — their current single — jumps out at you as the first track and bears comparison with their classics of the past like Needles And Pins and Sugar And Spice. After several years without a recording contract a lot more will be heard of The Searchers.

15 Years Of Top Of The Pops. BBC Records BELP 014. Producers: Various. Sixteen original tracks by the original artists, as the sleeve note says, to celebrate the anniversary of Britain's longest running TV music show but some of the material hardly matches up to the tag "monster hit" and they were not all number one chart records. The cuts run year by year from Chuck Berry's No Particular Place To Go in 1964 to Real Thing's Can You Feel The Force

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Memories Of The Way We Were. Buddah BDLD 2004. Knight & The Pips' contract with Buddah recently expired so this becomes the first of the predictable re-issues, but it is obvious that a lot of care has gone into the planning of the 2LP set. It includes The Way We Were of course, several songs written and produced by the late Van McCoy, and a moving version of Carole Bayer Sager's I'm Coming Home. Excellent accompanying sleeve notes and attractive packaging make this a strong release which must become a good stock item. stock item.



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The best excuse for non-delivery came from CBS who claimed that due to stocktaking the previous week the first three days of the week were spent in catching up on the backlog of outstanding orders and they did not have time to send our any other

orders in time for the weekend!

Perhaps record company despatch departments should take a few hints from their accounts departments as without exception they never have any problems about sending accounts out on time.

I would not suggest that we are in

any way picked out by despatch departments, we are just an average record dealer, but we do wonder what the charts would be like if chart return shops received the same sort of deliveries as us. We guarantee the charts would be very different.

RICHARD C. BROWN, Pathway Records, 14 High Street, Shepton Mallet, Somerset.

Hats off to Hamn

YOUR DISC jockey correspondent (MW Oct 13) does not appear to know what young rock and roll buyers want or he wouldn't make such daft remarks concerning Hammer's Big Six EP series.

I realise Hammer Records do have quite a few critics — ageing record collectors mostly. But some of us though do not care about recording dates and martix numbers. For us, it is satisfying and sufficient just to be able to dance to the records. So in one or two cases they are not the original recordings — so what?

The Hammer series is superb — the Johnny and the Hurricanes and Jerry Lee Lewis go down best. Such is their popularity that I am always being asked to play them, as indeed I know other disc jockeys are.

And what about the Fats Domino and Lloyd Price EPs? They ally are selling — "moving faster than some chart singles" — so really are selling — "mo my local dealer tells me.

my local dealer tells me. Finally, I cannot go without telling you that the feeling among rock and roll fans is — hats off to Hammer, the record label that really has its finger on the teenage rock and roll pulse! DAVE WHITE, Dynamite Disco, Whitton, Middlesex.

PRS member replies to Bata

This is an open letter to Mike Batt.
YOU ARE the only council member of the Performing Right Society, with the exception of its chairman, who has ever to my knowledge spoken out in print (MW August 25) as to any of his beliefs concerning the conduct of the council and its spokesman, general manager, Michael Freegard.

Do you really believe that you were elected to the council by the membership? The council members membership? The council members holding proxies cast over 3,000 votes for you, practically the whole of the vote you received. How many of these votes were cast completely at the council's discretion? — 90 per cent or maybe 80 per cent?

As you yourself will admit, you did no campaigning among the membership, made no public statements as to your position or opinion on any matters relating to othe society, did nothing to obtain the votes of the members as a whole.

I also fault your reasoning as to why the few hundred holders of 20 votes are entitled to secrecy while you feel that the thousands of others you feel that the thousands of others who have no vote, or merely one, are not entitled to the same anonymity. The membership overwhelmingly forced the council to reveal who had the vote, clearly demonstrating its mandate. It was the council that deliberately withheld from the proposal the exposure of those who held 20 votes, as was clearly pointed out at the meeting. ALEX out at the meeting. ALEX GLASGOW, Church Road, Low Fell, Gateshead, Co. Durham.

Time for a new image, EMI

I WAS interested to read that the EMI board blamed Bob Seger and Steve Miller for some of its £17 million loss. How incredible that EMI continually blames all and sundry for its incredible money loss over such a short period but does not take a look in house and its own management.

EMI laid off so many salesmen making it increasingly difficult for those unfortunate few guys left and the service from EMI is nothing compared to 1077 when they made \$64 million profit.

1977 when they made £64 million profit.

EMI must improve its image or it will stagnate and its competition will flourish. HANS VINKA, managing director, Relay Records, Portsmouth.

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DIARY

Martin turns paperback writer

MOST PEOPLE in the music business regard George Martin as having been the fifth Beatle, and his typically modest denial of this status in his autobiography All You Need Is Ears, written with Jeremy Hornsby (Macmillan, E7.95) is unlikely to change their opinion. As a smoother of Liverpudlian rough musical edges and a gently unobtrusive guide to the top of the world popularity tree for the foursome, his place in pop history is assured and

Naturally, the Beatles figure largely in his story, with well-known incidents and anecdotes recounted with the additional flavour that comes from one who was often there at the time. But the most fascinating passages for pusic industry readers are those dealing with his time at

Agusic industry readers are those dealing with his time at EMI and his various encounters (sometimes of the cool kind) with famous stars and industry figures.

Martin, a classically trained musician, began his disc producing for Parlophone under Oscar Preuss, and recalls a famous jazz bandleader walking out of the studio enraged because Martin criticised the bass player who was contributing "a dull thud" to the session.

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"Outside in Abbey Road I found my disgruntled artist wandering up and down," Martin writes. "Eating great dollops of humble pie, I told him how sorry I was to have been so stupid, and eventually persuaded him to carry on with the session." with the session.

with the session."

They are now firm friends, but Martin sums up the situation as "Musically I was right. Diplomatically I was wrong". Fellow producers able to distinguish a crotchet from a hatchet will sympathise and recognise the

regrettable necessity to accept mediocrity with good

Martin is bitter about his EMI days and the ending of them. He explains how the then managing director, L. G. Wood, proposed to deduct the costs of Martin's department from the three per cent commission offered to him on record sales. When Martin realised that the three per cent figure for 1963 of £66,000 (less £55,000 for his departmental cost) was three per cent of £2,200,000 profit not turnover — it "cut straight through w vestige of an umbilical cord still bound me to EMI"

"It is difficult, looking back, to describe the depths of my bitterness," Martin continues. "I really had been devoted to the company, and always valued loyalty in other people. But there comes a moment when you realise that your idea of being a good, loyal worker without complications is misconstrued, and you are being taken

Dick James offered Martin a share in Northern Songs in return for the recommendation to Brian Epstein that made him the Beatles publisher. Martin appreciated the generosity of the offer, but typically declined it, deeming it unethical to accept as he was an employee of EMI.

"I couldn't know at the time that saying those few

words was the equivalent of turning down millions of pounds. But that's neither here nor there. I'm certainly not a millionaire, but I can say with my hand on my heart that I have no regrets about turning down the offer. I've been very lucky with what I went on to do. And I sleep well at night?'





ON THE left we present Donna Summer and Barbra Streisand, Casablanca recording artists with their single No More Tears (Enough Is Enough). And on the right we have CBS recording artists Barbra Streisand and Donna Summer with their single No More Tears (Enough Is Enough). The girls duet on the record and both companies are releasing it in a unique deal which gives Casablanca (via Pye) the 7 inch version and CBS the 12 inch in picture bag and 11 minutes 40 seconds long. Wonder which company had the original publicity photograph and which had to reverse it so their girl's name came first?



ONE OF the humorous highlights of the Phonogram sales conference was a splendid mickey-take of Village People with members of the pop product management singing a revised version of the band's recent hit, In The Navy, but instead called In The Eighties — Phonogram's conference theme. Pictured: back row, left to right, Alan Philips, David Shrimpton and Henry Semmence; front, Nigel Morgan, John Waller and Leon Campadelli.

YESTERDAYS

FIVE YEARS AGO NEW BLACK music label, Power NEW BLACK music label, Power Exchange, set up by Paul Robinson and Steve Rowland In third quarter market survey, EMI tops Companies' charts with 27 per cent of albums market and 15.2 per cent of singles market Bell is top singles label and CBS leading full-price albums to the Christian Company of the Christian Christi price albums label Chrysalis buys Air London studios Ivan Chandler leaves April Music to be general manager of Bron
Publishing companies Barry
Bethell leaves William Morris
agency to join Cube Opening
of the film That's Entertainment triggers boom in nostalgia records.

TEN YEARS AGO DON ARDEN announces plans for his own record label, to be called Aquarius Beatles' product will spearhead EMI's entry into stereo-8 cartridge market Canadian spearhead EMI's entry into stereo-8 cartridge market Canadian journalist Brian Blevins joins Record Retailer staff Decca releases first single from the MCA catalogue on the new MCA International label Bob Grace quits United Artists Music to be general manager of Chrysalis' publishing arm Stuart Reid quits Edwin Morris Music to head new Chappell Music pop division new Chappell Music pop division
.... Diana Ross splits from The
Supremes to pursue solo career.

Leslie Grade

THE DEATH of Leslie Grade last week aged 63 marks the end of the triumvirate of brothers which has dominated the business and financial side of UK show business for almost 40 years, writes Nigel Hunter.

Grade was originally Grade was originally managing director of the Grade Organisation, which stemmed from the Lew and Leslie Grade Agency, and which was sold to EMI in 1967 for nearly £2½

Leslie Grade was always the specifically business brother of the three Winogradsky boys. Lew and Bernard were dancers initially, but Leslie became a backroom boy, building up the agency until it was the largest in

Grade was a quiet-spoken, unobtrusive man with a dry sense of humour. When the late Laurie Henshaw of Melody Maker used to hover in wait

Maker used to hover in wait early on news day mornings on Grade's office doorstep, Grade would often hurry past him with a brief "Good morning, Laurie — but don't quote me". Eliot Cohen of the Red Bus Group, of which Grade was a director, told Music Week: "He has been very active with us, and we were looking forward to him returning before Christmas as he had hoped. He gave us a lot of guidance and was a as he had hoped. He gas a lot of guidance and was a father figure to all of us, from the receptionist to Ellis and me. He had so much knowledge and so much feeling, and we're going to miss him very much."

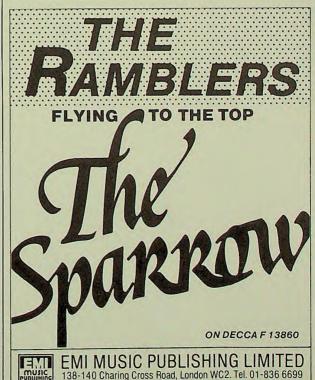
HAROLD WILSON is to be guest of honour at next year's MTA annual awards dinner and will present the GRRC Gramophone Record Awards, following in the footsteps of previous guests Lord Donaldson and Sir Keith Joseph the dinner will be held on Tuesday, March 4, at the Piccadilly Hotel Meanwhile the organisers of the Record Industry Pall are not finding it easy to fill up either tables at the Hilton Ball are not finding it easy to fill up either tables at the Hilton on November 20, or sell advertising in the programme seems no one wants to be seen being over-extravagant in these straitened times - but remember it is all in a good cause, gentlemen!

EMI'S HEAD of marketing and promotion for EMI International, Les Hodge departing for new job he will be announcing shortly Last Thursday Willie and Maurice Woolf and several fellow ex-Decca employees (in the days when it was called Barnett Samuels) got together at the Flask which it was called Sainter Sainters and together at the Plask in Highgate to celebrate Decca's 50th anniversary Music Week's US representative Dick Broderick appointed director of the New York University programme in music business and technology Monarch Records releasing a 12-inch, 8 his record shop?

NOTHING NEW: turning out a drawer we came across a clipping from a 1968 edition of *Record Retailer* announcing "hip pocket" 3¼ inch size records Rak Publishing's **Jon** Crawley working his way though more than 5,000 cassettes received from budding songwriters of all ages following Daily Mirror series on Mickie Most Fleet Street reporter to K-tel marketing manager Alan Jones: "Is this TV strike affecting you at all?' Who's the comedian who keeps ringing Jet personnel late at night announcing himself as one Roger Cook? Sudden death last week of CBS senior product manager Peter Evans.

DUSTY SPRINGFIELD's Greatest Hits LP shaping up as the most popular album of the year in the MW office are you ready for this? — Edmundo Ros and Victor Silvester Jnr. are planning an album entitled Latin Song And Dance Men Martin Clark, no longer EMI Imports marketing manager, can be contacted on 01-977 9584 Decca press and promo man Keith Bennett had to buy 80 McDonald hamburgers for school choir backing the Ramblers on last week's Top Of The Pops.

THANKS TO Radio City for their tasty birthday cake and congratulations on their fifth anniversary At Phonogram sales conference Charisma's Mike Watts asked to provide money up front for his company's reception because, according to the hotel, "the last record company here still hasn't paid its bill".



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