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MAKING THEIR photographic debuts in the pages of MW are the new heads of PRT, Kim Richards and Richard Lim. Richards, daughter of PRT owner ISSN 0265-1548 Ray Richards, is managing director Record chiefs jet into London to review CD safeguard

DAT lobby takes on

ırrogant' Japanese

of PRT Distribution.

Lim has previously worked for EMI, WEA, Damont and Multiple Sound Distributors and latterly as European financial controller for

Kiki Dee's first EMI album and The Fall's hologram single
Ivor Novello Awards (below)
— the results; Bill
Wyman's aim to find new
talent
Country: No clowning for
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A&R: McCarthy, pictured below, on trial (Talent), below, on trial (Talent), Daintees, Ted Hawkins and House Of Love caught in the act (Performance), plus the latest singles and albums reviewed, dance news, the indies tracking

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series, Channel 5's Andy Warhol video package, reviews Sleeve printing sp they sell records?

Marketing executiv their say
Dooley's diary and pics

Pinnacle presses ahead

Roxy rocked as ITV chart show stalls

AN ITV chart show has been de layed for at least a month by network controllers, to the annoyance of one of the prime bidders for the

with an interest of the day of the programme collection. The programme collection of the first programme collection. The first producer Alastier Pirite, who originally envisuaged having a show on air next month, says: "We are very surprised at the way the goolposts oppear to have been shifted again." First, leader of a team aiming a basic programme titled the Rosy, supported the collection of the collecti companies to re-present their plans to the next controllers' meeting. Pirrie comments: "It was Tyne

threat to the music industry posed by digital audio tope. Virtually every company head in Europe will attend the event of a London hotel where international anti-piracy body the IFPI will be demonstrating a system that would prevent the home taping of com-pact discs onto DAT. TO PAGE FOUR >

Useful exports honoured

THE REALLY Useful Group and Nimbus Records are among the latest British companies to win the Queen's Award for Industry, RUG Queen's Award for Industry, ROU-is honoured in the export achieve-ment category for the Andrew Lloyd Webber musicals, notably Cats which has been produced in 40 cities around the world, and Nimbus won in the technology section for developing its own system of mastering compact disc.

Three other British companies among a record 120 receiving export achievement awards are Turbosound (Joudspeaker enclosures), Total Audio Concepts and Soundracs (audio mixing consoles).

Soundracs won a similar award in

THE GREATEST ever pathering of THE GREALEST EVER gainering or record company managing direc-tors is being brought together next month for an all-day conference to discuss just a single issue — the threat to the music industry posed The strength of feeling in the industry worldwide is indicated by IFPI director general lan Thomas when he says: "This is the first time when he says: "This is the first time in my experience that a meeting of this kind will have taken place." The IFPI will be demonstrating the Copycode system which it wants installed in all DAT

wants installed in all DAT machines. The system prevents the toping of copyrighted digital mate-rial when activated by an electro-nic signal which would be incorpo-rated in CDs.

The organisation is looking to a Green Paper currently being pre-pared by the European Commis-sion for the legislation it has re-quested making Copycode comquested making Copycode com-pulsory in all machines imported into the EEC. Says Thomas: "We have had a lot of talks with the responsible people within the Commission and we have had a very sympathetic hearing. We are reasonably optimistic that they are going to take a positive view of our representations:" esentations

Direct representations to the

nowhere. They are arrogant and only government legislation will get Copycode introduced." In his letter inviting people to the meeting, East states: "DAT will enmeeting, East states: "DAT will en-able anyone to make perfect mas-ter copies of digital recordings and TO PAGE FOUR >

Japanese, though, have not pro-duced encouraging results. Ken East, who is co-ordinating the IFPI conference, comments: "It's got us nowhere. They are arragant and

securing pressing facilities.

Details of the deal are being completed this week and Eyles says it is unlikely that the ISS name will be retained. He adds that there are INDIE DISTRIBUTOR Pinnacle has bought its own pressing plant, Im-mediate Sound Services, enabling it to offer labels combined pressing

it to offer labels combined pressing and distribution deols. Based in north London, ISS has a maximum capacity of 10m black vinyl discs a year and Pinnoole managing director Trevor Eyles feels the ocquisition will assist labels who have had difficulty in

no plans to install tope duplication equipment in the near future.

In addition to pressing for Pinna-cle labels, the ISS plant will con-tinue to do work for outside cus-

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Brooks credits PPL as radio's flexible friend

THE OFFER of an open door and a listening ear was made this week to ILR stations disgrantled about needletime payments by John Brooks, chairman of Phonographic Performance Limited.

Performance Limited.

Brooks soys he cannot understand why the Association of Independent Rodio Contractors is, in his view, so reluctant to talk. He comments: "Nobady tells us what they want, if they did, it would enable us to negoficide with them.

"They know where we are and we are ready to talk with health?"

"They know where we are and we are ready to talk with the AIRC or any individual company. PPL has never refused additional needletime. It has always been able to negotiate with anybody." Brooks feels some of the reluct-

> 'Nobody tells us what they want. If they did, it would enable us to negotiate with them'

ance to talk may be historical. "The AIRC took us to the Performing Right Tribunal hoping to secure nominal payments — and that really did mean nominal payments. The tribunal upheld PPL's stand and they still have not faced up to this reality."

Brooks is now taking stock after, nine months in the PPL chair — he took over from Peter Jamieson in July — and he feels the organisation could be better understood.

"I think we are perceived as a mystery and the reason for that is that we do not deal with something tanglib. We're not selling bits of platic. We don't get a profile by being in the charts. We simply negatical licence agreements with broadcasters and pubs and club and it is very hard to have a high

profile.

"It is perceived to be in the interests of the people we doal with to create prize, to create mis-understanding, In the Radio Green Paper, it states that PEL charges £30 for playing a single which is absolutely untrue. The Home Office has opologised for that."

Brooks is concerned, though, that such information might imply that PPL is "pricing itself out of the market". He goes on: "The truth is absolutely different. PPL, like Video Performance Limited, is in the business to do deols and it sees all users as prospective customers." Of the PPL subsidiary VPL, he care. "Size last surgary we have

ness to do decis and it seet an users as prospective customers."

Of the PPL subsidiary VPL, he says. "Since last summer we have negotiated deals with almost every UK TV station. We've closed three deals with satellite broadcasters and we've licensed Yorkhirir Eelevision to relay Music Box as a night-lime experiment.

vision to relay Music Box as a right-lime experiment.

"We've done all these things in less than a year. If you look at the satellite deals, they are all tailored to meet customer requirements and all that without the heavy hand of the tribunal on our shoulder. It's all been done as wilking buyer and willing seller.

willing seller.

"PPL serves its members best by seeking new business and assisting the prospective customer to get the licence it requires."

licence if requires."

Brooks is happy with PPL's administration costs and claims that, as a proportion of income, they are the lowest of any comparable collecting society in the UK. Even so, he says: "New members have misgivings about what PPL stands for, but when the workings have been explained to them they have all, in my



JOHN BROOKS: operating PPL's 'glasnost' policy

tive. Indeed, PPL could not exist if there was not a unanimity of sup-

Unike he Mechanical Copyright Protection Society which roised in profile among its members by establishing a house magazine, PPL has no plans at this stage to spend its money in such a direction. "If the need is seen to exist, we could certainly do that, but at he could certainly do that, but at he receipt for the members to decide whether they want a magazine or the most money distribution."

Brooks is likely to have another all months of the head of the regardisation and he defines his objectives with: The chollenge is to be had acceptable payment formulae for dealing with the variety of broad-casters that the Radio Green Paper is onlicipating. On one hand, you may have non-profil-making community radio and, on the other, national commercial radio relying heavily on records.

"I expect to see all kinds and we must be flexible enough to come up with payment formulae that work in all circumstances."



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TV leg-up for Tucker cover

Heel Sneakers has been recorded by The Support Band and is being featured in a national TV advertis-ing campaign for Lite Legs tights. The single is released on the Scholl

UK lobel distributed through Prior-ity, and is being supported by in-store promotion at both national and regional level as the TV com-paign which begins in the Midlands rolls out.



UK arm for Hollywood

HOLLYWOOD NITES has secured UK distribution for the CD catalogue of American lobel Newport Classics. Dealer priced at \$7.29, the initial six tilles released on April 30 are The Performing Picna, Usztronique, Water Music, Bacthovin & Mozart and Reverie.



THE PROCLAIMERS' debut album, THE PROCLAMIES debut about This Is The Story, is being released by Chrysalis on April 27 and the band will be touring with Voice Of The Beehive throughout May to promote it.

Platoon falls out THE SOUNDTRACK to Plateon is THE SOUNDINACK TO PIGGON IS being released by WEA next week. The album features five US number ones from Olis Redding, Aretha Franklin, Percy Sledge, The Doors and The Rascals.



KIKI DEE will be promoting her new album on EMI, Angel Eyes, on six UK dates during May. The con-certs will be slotted in around her lead role in the play Blood



A LIMITED-edition of The Foll's There's A Ghost In My House sing-le is being pressed with a holo-gram on the sleave. Released on April 27, the single is being backed with a 14-date tour from April 30.



whose debut album for Phonogram subsidiary Squawk Records is 14-date tour in May.

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A LIVE album of last year's
Wembley Arena concert in aid of
The Prince's Trust is being released
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Paul McCartney, the package also
includes a limited edition single of
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There.

TONI WARNE, the nine-year-old winner of Bob Says Opportun-ity Knocks, has a single, Ben, re-leased by Mint Records through PRT.

● FIVE COPIES of The Nosedive EP from Gay Bikers On Acid, due out at the end of April, are to carry a deliberate spelling mistake. Cus-tomers buying one will win a night out with the band.

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Eurythmics hit double top with Ivor awards

ANNIE LENNOX and David A ANNUE LENNOA and David A Stewart, the writing Eurythmics, won double honours in the 1986 Ivor Novello Awards presented at London's Grosvenor House Hotel

Landon's Grasvenor House Hotel last Wednesday. Their song It's Alright (Boby's Coming Bock) came first in the Best Contemporary Song category, and the duo were named Best Songwri-ters Of The Year. Their Miracle Of Love composition was also nomin-ated for the Best Sona Musically & Lyrically section.
The Outstanding Services To

THE TELEPHONE number for Nimbus Records listed in last week's survey of compact disc manufacturing plants is incorrect. The number should be (0600) 890682, contact Mike Lee.

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British Music Award went to Sir Yehudi Menuhin, who received it from his violin sparring partner Stephene Groppelli. Queen were honoured for Outstanding Con-tribution To British Music, and veteran songwriter Hugh Charles received the Jimmy Kennedy Award for wartime hits such as We'll Meet Again and Thore'll Always Be An England, He received his award from Dame Vera Lynn, who had popularised most of his



SIR YEHUDI Manuhin, winner of the Outstanding Services To British Music Award, chats to Best Songwriters Of The Year Annie Lennox and David A Stewart at the Ivor Novella Awards luncheon.

porary Song: It's Alright (Baby's Coming Back), written by Annie Lennox and David A Stewart, pub-lished by D'n' A Music/RCA Music; Rest Song Annie Stewart, Published by D 'n' A Music/RCA Music; Best Song Musically & Lyrically: Don't Give Up, Peter Gabriel, Cliofine; Best Selling A Side: Every Loser Wins, Simon May and Ste-wart & Bradley James, Simon May Music, BBC Records; Outstanding Services 1.0 British Music; Sir Yehu-

di Menuhin. Best Theme From A TV Or Radio Production: The Monocled Mulineer, George Fenton, Shogun Music/Eaton Music; Most Per-Music/Eaton Music; Most ref-formed Work: Chain Reaction, Barry, Maurice & Robin Gibb, Gibb Brothers Music/Chappell Music; International Hit Of The Music; International Hit Of The Year: West End Girls, Neil Tennant Year: West End Girls, Neil Tennant & Chris Lowe, 10 Music; Best Film Theme Or Song: Sweet Freedom, Rod Temperton, Rondor Music (Landon)/Rodsongs.

Best British Musical: The Phon-Best British Musical: The Phon-tom Of The Opera, Charles Hart, Andrew Lloyd Webber & Richard Shigoe, The Really Useful Group; Jimmy Kennedy Award: Hugh Charles; Songwriters Of The Year. Annie Lennox & Dovid A Stewart; and Outstanding Contribution To

Wyman foots bill to find new talent

RECORD COMPANIES could get ent handed to them on a plate if philanthropic scheme devised by

a philanthropic scheme devised by Bill Wyman poys off. The Rolling Stone has set up the Aims project (standing for Ambi-tion, Ideas, Molivation and Suc-cess) as a non-profit making venture to make expensive recordi facilities more readily available to emerging talent throughout the UK. The 48-track Mobile Recording Studio — formerly the Stones mobile but now owned by Wyman — will visit recording "black spots" where there are precious few stu-

dio facilities. "There are huge holes across the country and some new bands would have to travel 40 miles to would have to travel 40 miles to reach a studio, even if they could afford it," says Wyman who has provisionally selected venues in Portsmouth, Norwich, Cardiff, Not-tingham, Exeter, Liverpool, Durhom, Edinburgh and Belfast or Dublin.

Dublin.

Although Wyman has funded the development of the project himself so for, he is looking for sponsorship of about £200,000 from private industry to cover the cost of taking the mabile out of taking the mabile out of cost of taking the mobile out of commercial operation. Comment-ing that he would like to see other sectors match the fund raising efforts of pop stars, he says: "Don't ethors of pop stars, he says: "Don'!
ask me to go back to the music
business for this — they do enough
already." Wyman adds that initial
reaction has been very encouraging and he expects some local

send in tapes for assessment, pri-marily through the ILR network Selected groups will be invited to record some of their own numbers of their nearest local venue and those not chosen will be sent a critique of their initial tape.

hose responsible for the selection process include Wyman and Andy Fairweather-Low who will be responsible for training and production of each venue.
Further sessions could follow the

first regional recordings and the ultimate goal is selection of the most talented for a live charity concert alongside top commercial

stage, the very least participants in the regional sessions will gain is a broadcast quality recording of their work which they are free to present to any record or music publishing company.

THE HARP Beat programme of music sponsorship is being ex-tended into 1987 as a result of the scheme's success lost year.
 Harp believes its higher profile

narp peneves its higher profile among younger drinkers has signi-ficantly improved its sales and done so in a far more cost-effective way than television adventitions. advertising.

advertising.

Its sponsorship this year will include for the first time the Donington Rock Festival as well as the tours by Spear Of Destiny, Flesh For Lulu and The Mission.

DAT lobby

FROM PAGE ONE for multiple copies to be made multiple copies to be

tion in sound quality. IFPI has tried tion in sound quality. IPPI has tried to persuade the manufacturers of DAT equipment to implant a chip in their hardware which will inhibit the copying of digital recordings. The DAT manufacturers have so far refused to co-operate."

as is to address a confer-Thomas is to address a confer-ence on April 29 organised by The European Copyright Unit entitled "Is copycoding of software the best way forward?".

Roxy rocked

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Tees 2/2 years ago who went to the network controllers who were very reluctant to put on a chart music show. It has token us all this time to get this far." Pirrie says he doubts whether on independent company would be able to meet the requirements of a chart show and he points to the advanced and he points to the advanced preparations at Tyne Tees. "A set is being built as we speak and we are just about to sign agreements with the Musicians Union, BPI and Video Performance Limited,

The set will occupy studio space vacated by The Tube which was broadcast for a final time on Fri-

It is believed that the earli It is believed that the earnies any chart show could now be broad-cost is June 9, and Pirrie says: "If The Roxy is allowed to go ahead, it will knock spots off Top Of The Pops and I am very disappointed that we have not been given a se that we have not been given a go at putting out a show that would do a service for the music industry,"

More honours for Gabriel

PETER GABRIEL'S Sledgehammer has had another award heaped upon it — the Design & Art Direc-tion Award for the most outstand-ing pop promo video of last year sponsored by Music Week. The clip has already received accolades in the Music Week and BPI awards.

The award was presented to producer Adam Whittaker and Virgin's Tessa Watts who commissioned Limelight Films to make the clip at the recent DADA dinner held at London's Grosvenor House held at London's Grosvenor House Hotel. Also nominated was the Liv-ing Dall promo featuring Cliff And The Young Ones made by the Poul Welland Film Company. Winner in the record sleeve de-sign calegory was Pel Shap Boys' Suburbia, designed by Mark Far-row with Neil Tennant and Chris Lowe.

Lowe.

Full details of the sleeve design honours appear in the spec focus on sleeve design, p28-31

 A LEGAL advisory service for emerging bands has been estab-lished by Mark Wilkins, formerly with the legal and business affairs departments of Polydor Records and Chappell Music. BAR Communications can be contacted on 01-993 1514.

Group survey predicts that 300,000 DAT recorders and Im DAT cassettes will be in use in West Germany by use in West Germany by 1990. But there are some fears in the music industry here about what effect the new configurations will have

new configurations will have on the compact disc market. The latter is healthy at pre-sent, with nearly 5m CD play-ers and 36m CDs sold to Ger-man households, and some observers believe it can with-stand the DAT challenge. Toldec MD Manfred Atzert describes CD as an allegations.

describes CD as an almost unsurpassable sound carrier, while DAT is little more than while DAI is liftle more than "an expensive toy" with little discernible quality improve-ment on the latest conven-tional cassettes. Metronome MD Klaus Ebert agrees, iden-tifying the high cost of DAT hardware and blank tapes and the absence of prerecorded repertoire as deter-

rents.
However, Intercord MD
Herbert Killish anticipates
DAT creating a new blank
tape problem which will
affect the development of the
CD business, "which has just
become so promising". CBS
markeling director Heinz
Canibol and RCA MD
Michael Anders declare their companies will not make re-pertoire available for DAT. Says Anders: "So long as

there is no way of preventing home-taping from CD to DAT, the industry should not make product available.

NEW YORK: Six of nine causes of action in the pend-ing complaint in The Beatles' lawsuit against Capitol Re-cords and EMI Records have been thrown out by the New York State Supreme Court. Among the causes dismissed are claims for fraud and con-version which sought punitive damages of \$50m. Capitol and EMI had asked

Capitol and EMI nau usked for dismissal of seven causes, but Justice Michael J Dontzin allowed the claim for breach of fiduciary duty to stand.

SYDNEY: Delegates from 20 countries attending the Inter-national Confederation of Societies of Authors & Com-posers (CISAC) conference here heard details of the Australian Government's plans to introduce a blank tape

levy.
The Australian proposal, however, restricts dispersal of the money raised to countries which have introduced similar legislation.

It was pointed out at the meeting that this is contrary meeting that this is contrary to international conventions on copyright and neighbour-ing rights. The CISAC dele-gates also asked the Austra-lian Government to include audio-visual tapes in its levy proposals

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TOM PETTY & THE HEARTBREAKERS



"LET ME UP

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No clowning with Kathy

by John Tobler

"IF I had to choose just one person as my role model, it would be Emmylou Horn's, because she has such integrity about her music, and she keeps pushing herself to try something different."
So says Kathy Mattea, whose first UK album release, Walk The Way The Wind Blows (Mercusy), has been one of the models, Tongo and the Horn's connection was the a the Harris connection was she o Gram Parsons fan? "No. because I only learnt about him retroactively

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When I lived in West Virginia, That small state, hit by the Amer-

ican recession, is using Mattea in a \$1 m TV compaign. "I'm the token famous person from there, and they're trying to attract new indus-try to the state, which is very small, quite rural, with a lot of mountains. quile rural, with a lot of mountains. The traditional industries, like coal mining, are suffering these days." After leaving university in West Virginia, where she sang high harmonies and played acoustic guitar in a bluegrass band known as Penning desided to try her. sboro, Mattea decided to try her luck in Nashville.

lack in Nashville. This migration is described in Leaving West Virginia, the sole self-panned song an her album. Her first job in Music City was as a our guide at the Country Music Hall Of Fame, which she says gave her a therough grounding in the history of the music. Walk The Way The Wind Blows is actually her third LP, but the first to make KJ release, lik two gredeness.

to make UK release. It is no predictions and the predictions of the control of the prediction of the control of the prediction of the control of the prediction of the control of the process spowned three US Top 10 country chart singles. One major lactor in the change of fortune has been producer. Alors Reynolds, Don Williams Producer and the production of the change of fortune has been producer. Alors Reynolds, Don Williams Lines (guest on Motted's IP, singing a high harmony part on one of the several standout tracks on the written by another risine Nahimber risine Na written by another rising Nashville female star, Nanci Griffith.

"Nonci and I had never met. olthough we had several mutual friends, then one day I went into



KATHY MATTEA: Waiting for

'If I had to choose just one person as my role model, it would be Emmylou

Harris'

the studio where she was working and met her for the first time, when and met ner for the first time, when she was recording that song for one of her early albums. We talked together, then not long ago, we were both nominated for Grammy Awards for our versions of that

Having submitted to this tele-phone interview during a rare day off from a long tour supporting George Strait, Mattea is extremely anxious to play in Europe, having so far never left the American

mainland. "I'd cancel anything to get to Europe," she soys, and if the rection of British record buyers to revene the received the record buyers to the grawing success in the States, it shouldn't be long before her evident viacity, as well as her succeeding the states of the states

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ACTUALLY IN Easter week, suddenly there's lots of hot new product. Import 12ers include (and this ts' name!) 2 HIERTO PICANS A DI ACKMAN AND A DOMINICAN Do It Properly

(Fierce Records FR 1000), blazing jack track galloper with terrific keyboards that build an intensity akin to vintage rock 'n' roll; ULTRA MAGNETIC M.C.'S Traveling At The Speed Of Thought (Next Plateau NP50058), excellent chanting singsong rap scratching the Kingsmen's Louie Louie into its Honky Tonk Woman-type beat; WHISPERS Rock Steady (Solar V-71153), timelessly typical strong singalong

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doubt by their many UK visits); GALLIFRE Night Beats — Ho GALLIFRE Night Bech — House Rhythm (Danica Record DAN-1008), quie enforced was not happing jack frack, the hottest of topping highly middle group filter frack, LIVSSES Magic Wand (Bentadions Record C. 454027), Darryl Pandy-style disjointed house. On import IF is the extremely soulful PEGGI BLU Blu Blowin (Capital STI-2550), Orbifously trained in church and showing it on even the more modish of the

rrained in church and showing it on even the more modish of the productions (the real standouts, however, are all slow), while in total contrast on UK LP is the blatantly pen gime. total contrast on UK LP is the blatantly pop aimed (and, from the black music market's point of view, disappointing) MEL & KIM FLM. (Supreme Records SU2). Similarly ignored by the black market, and in a style of music that I don't often bother to monitor here, the next massive Hi-NRG crossover hit in Male Stringer style could well be Stripper style could well be PAUL LEKAKIS Boom Boom (Let's Go Back To My Room) (Champion CHAMP 12-43), a committee (12-43), a suggestively worded trite galloper that having already conquered Europe (and been big in goy clubs here) is now fast climbing the US pop chart — be warned!

warned That's on UK 12-inch, of course, as are KINKINA Jungle Fever (Chompion CHAMP 12-35), the early '80s remake of the Chakachas' panting and grooning orgasmic throbber now is several misse including the hot new Skratch Fever version (Chompion adways circulate white label promos well in account of the news seem to devent or and then never seem to devent or and then never seem to advance and then never seem I keep to their announced commercial release date, so don't be surprised if this has yet to surface fully); **ELEANORE MILLS** Mr Right (Debut DEBTX 3020), bounding fusion of current Miami and Chicago

current Miami and Chicago influences; THE HOUSE MASTER BOYZ and THE RUDE BOY OF HOUSE House Nation (Magnetic Dance MAGDT 1), Farley Jackmaster Funk-mixed stuttery basic jack track already

long established on import as one of the big ones; BOBBY MCCLURE II Feels So Good (IT Be Bock Home) (Debut BEBTX 3021), soutfully nagged ralling jogger biggest in black clubs; jogger biggest in black clubs:
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spoilt by overly "disco" girls;
ZUICE Bless Your Lucky Stars
(Mercury MERX 244), untidy
squawking judderer, one of the
worst messes I've heard in ages

Are Scots jocks strapped?

by Barry Lazell

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IT IS now a recognised fact that, broadly speaking, the further North up the country you move, the faster becomes the tempo at which dancers and clubgoers like to do their thing, and indeed, by the temporary scales of the statement of the second to do their thing, and indeed, by the time you reach Scotland, the prevailing dancefloor sound moves at a pace which would make the funky mid-tempos of South-East England seem positively soporific by comparison.

Beneficiaries of this odd geog-

raphical polarisotion are artists and record labels with Hi-NRG and Eurobeat material, who by now are well clued in to the fact the top end of the UK is where they are likely to get both the first DJ feedback on a record strength and also the early bulk of sales, as what

also the early bulk of sales, as what the punters are hearing gets translated into purchases.

Bill Grainger's Scottish-based radio and club promotion company First Class, whose activities are closely fied in to the needs and wants of the dance field North of the border, is well-placed to observe this situation. Indeed, as he points out, pinpointing the prevail-ing tastes of the Scots audience has been an important factor in his

company's growth. In the last couple of years, he has seen many uptempo dance singles eventually cross to national chart success after initial strong sales in Scotland, and after First Class has worked on their pramo-

Grainger offers the surprising statistic that 53 per cent of the club DJs whom he services across Scat-land, do not receive records from any other label or promo com-pany. This may suggest a general Southern unawareness of the exist-Southern unawareness of the exist-ence of the club network North of Hadrian's Wall, but (although Grainger doesn't say so) it prob-ably also means that a lot of the labels whose product is well re-ceived by Scots jocks (no pun inceived by Scots jacks (no pun in-tended!) are aware that First Class, with its on-the-spot regional awareness, is arguably the best promotional outlet for their re-

As part of its promotional data As part of its promotional data-gathering activities, first Class com-piles a chart of the records most-played by 100 Scottish club Dis, and this in itself has become a reliable barometer of what is generating early sales in Scotland as the result of dancefloor expo-

The contents of the chart make for telling comparison with the nationally-based dance sales chart published in MW, and for this reason the dance page will feature it occasionally in future for possible 'early warning" purposes.

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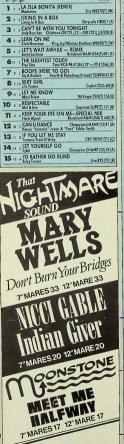
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POP PANICS as re-issues, remixes and revamps dominate. The majors and revemps dominate. The majors get together and say compilations are killing this business, what we need is lasting new talent. Now 9 goes straight to the top of the charts. But beneath the main attraction there lurks a new breed of mature pop writer, The Waterboys, World pop writer, The Waterboys, World Party, Tolk Tolk, all bands prepared to forsake an element of fashion for the greater concern of proper, dur-able songs. Add to that list The Immaculate Fools.

A veritable Brothers In Arms, this outlit, as the brothers Weatherill (Kevin — vocals, guitar, Paul — [Kevin — vocals, guitar, Paul — bass) takes on the Ross kin (Andy — keyboards, Peter — drums) and come up with the shiny new A&M LP Dumb Poet, Talkactive poet and the main songwriter, Kevin Weatherill, is disconsided to be a second to the control of the control disamingly modest about his band's

assamingly modest about nis bands is achievements and position in the grand scheme of things. "If there's a link between us and bands like The Waterboys and Talk Talk I'd be very proud of that.

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IMMACULATE FOOLS: Dumb Poets speak out

There's no pose with those bands. they just get on with it. I saw The Waterboys at Glastonbury and I was moved by the event I wrote a

song about them."
You see, Weatheril's a fan, a music lover and far too unassuming to actually put himself in the same bracket as some of his favourites. So bracket as some or his trouverties. So we'll do it for him. Dumb Paet is every bit as good as the other bands mentioned, taking its strength from melancholic melody, passionate words and a striving altitude leaving

the listening feeling they've actually achieved something in working through the LP. Formed in 1983, the emergence

of The Immaculate Fools ended Weatherills' years as an innerant, "strolling musician" and one-time gravedigger and saw him progressing from being a wine bar enter-tainer to a record company's blue eyed boy. It was a transformation

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which he met with some bemuse iso speaks volumes for ment, but also speaks volumes for the faith A&M was able to show in its new signing. It was Derek Greene who was the main protagoinist be-hind the band, but he left soon after they'd put pen to paper. A potential

ry asastrous event?
"It could'we been," admits Weatherll. "But A&M is a good, small company. It's run like a family affair, not a CBS or an EMI. All the people were very friendly and supportive."
Spring 195 cerus & could be a family affair. ly disastrous event?

Spring '85 saw two main events for the band, the debut LP come out and Weatherfil fell ill, finally decid-ing him that the wild life had to take a back seat and lurid toles of drink-ing the Roaring Boys under the table should be consigned to history. Of the LP, Hearts Of Fortune, Weath-

erill remains pragmatic.
"Colin Thurston produced it initially. I thought it could work, taking a pop producer, better known for Duran Duran than our type of music and combining the style. But it didn't really happen in the mix and even-tually Glyn Johns had to come in tadly Glyn Johns had to come in and help. We weren't ready for it in the end and America wouldn't even release it, whereas this one's much more how it should be and the US is

now going for it." Despite Weatherill's reserve LP was greeted fairly well and also saw his debut as a singer, a style close enough for a comparison to Richard Buller of the Psychedelic Furs, both striking in their phrasing and delivery. "I hadn't been singing before, but I knew that what I didn't was to sound like an Amerwant ican, it had to be the most natural way. If I sound like Richard, well I

help it, it's me natural voice." His voice and music has yet to reach the success it deserves in the reach the success it deserves in the UK, things are currently moving slowly in the right direction though, gently guided by A&M, but in Europe a reputation is already

"We did one of those Tube Euro pean specials," explains Weatheril, "And although I don't think we were that good, people did remember us. Things are going really well in Ger-many and Italy and especially in Spain. There we were vated band Spain. There we were voted band of the year in one poll, the current single fragic Comedy a single of the week and we come in third to The Police And The Smiths as best live band in another poll. The next thing's the US and we're preparing for Japan."

The Improvible Fools are the and

The Immaculate Fools are the sort The Immoculate hools are the sort of band you could easily overlook, they'll never be precisely fashionable, they'll never be this or any year's "big thing", but what you can guarantee they'll do is keep on turnguarantee they'll do is keep on turn-ing out qualify music and collecting new friends and admirers. "The great thing about The Waterboys is they weren't afraid of strying we helieve in peace and

loving each other, not a sicky way, but very emotionally. The similarity with us is we're doing that sort of thing. I'm not hurt or upset if people don't like the music, I'm just saying

Lenin & McCarthy

by Danny Van Emden McCARTHY DON'T mince words.

Their manifesto is simple. "There's a massive contradiction between pop's potential and what's hap-pening now," they say. "There's a lot of scape for a group like us"... which would seem to have been borne out by the success of their Frans Hals single on the Pink label,

a small masterpiece whose intri a small masterpiece whose intr-cate mesh of layered hacked-about guitars, pale vocals and tumbling drums, unravels into something altogether bigger with repeated plays, whetting the appe-tite for its follow-up.

There's also the small matter of much early evening airplay, a cre-ditable dent in the indies chart and a publishing deal signed and sealed with Complete Music.

McCarthy have been McCarthy McCarthy have been McCarthy since the late Seventies when Bark-ing boys Malcalm (vocals), Tim (guitar), John (boss) and Gary (drums) — no relation to Barking's bigger fish Billy Bragg, and no fans either, though they shared the some school ("not the same year" they hasten to add) — decided that there had to be more to pop than and decided to make a stand. Pink entered the picture soon after they were sent a tape, but surely

"Well, you can't make the re-cords you'd like to on an indie... the ideal would be to be signed to a major through Pink. It's no easier to be pure and idealistic on an indie than a major. If indies ran purely on ideals, they'd go bust in a Most people see indies as

nected with the rest of totally unci The sort of records McCarthy burn to make are ones whose

tunes make people sit up — with an extra awareness kicking up dust underneath and making them think a bit more. "It should be more than a bit more. "It should be more than a simple tune," says lyrics man Malcolm." It should be direct and comprehensive at first, but there should be other things going on as well that people can latch on to ofter a while.

There's a tendency to write lyrics that people can empathise with — like The Smiths and their sad songs. We try to do the opposite. The lyrics aren't my feelings, they're dramatic monologues."

McCARTHY: 'More

The whole point is to shake people into thinking, not just emoting, they say, "You can only listen possively for so long — that's how we got started. We put something in that makes it more than just enter-tainment — but we can still compete on a striking and immediate so and levels. pop song level.

"No-one's trying in pop nowa-days. They're all trying to survive and make a career out of it — someone's got to make a stand and make it more important than it

There's been a lot of (honest earnest) thinking going on here and McCarthy have a ready answer for most things: A lot of the songs seem quite short — "there's songs seem quite short — there s no point in hanging about"; There don't seem to have been that many don't seem to have been that many releases in half a dozen years — "The first single was last October. Pink can't afford much, but they do as much as they can. And there's always four tracks on the singles always four tracks on the singles— no throwaway stuff." But with four in the group, the democratic unit spend a lot of time arguing the minutiae of the group's viewpoint and come to the refreshing conduion that there is no group point of

view.

Nor is there a game plan, they soy, though with their 14-track debut long player due in June they are already picking and choosing interviews rather than going for a short-term, short-sighted deluge of press. Gigs can woith mostly until they can play decent year. We're not going to change the world an our own.

New York of the going to change the world an our own.



by Paul Sexton

THREE WEEKS ago no one had a clue who she was. Now we're all checking our info on Judy Bouche and pretending we tipped her as a name to watch when Can't Be With You Tonight came out in '86.

With You Tonight came out in '86. Truth is, the success of the re-card an Orbitane took even Judy herself by surprise, and according to the singer, much of the credit for breaking it goes to TV-AM and in particular Mad Lizzie, who used wice on her workaut sessions. The wice on her workaut sessions. The twice on her workout sessions. The calls flooded in and suddenly a dead record was back and bub-

dy comes from the island of St Vincent but moved to England at the age of 15. "I started round '71, '72 and I gave it about five years, I

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Faith, hope and charity

COLLABORATING FOR on Aids benefit at the Town And Country Club was the unlikely mix Brendan Croker, Hurrah! The Go-Betweens and The Dain-tees, but all linked by a common

bond of integrity. bond of integrity.

This was charity of course, so the sovage sword of sniping criticism, for once, remains in its scabbard, but certain solient points do emerge. For some Brendan Croker and The Five O'Clock Shadows qualify as Leeds answer to Ry Cooder, to these ears he comes in strongly as a witty performer findthms. Where his natural market falls is not so clear, but for the time being he exists as a solid support to many, with the potential to be re

Hurrahl, we all know, are far from an average band. An earlier play of Sweet Sanity over the PA was persuasively aggressive, yet the real thing was sadly lacking. The Go-Betweens maintain a hazy image, attracting critical acclaim in an almost totally inverse proportion to record sales. Their proportion to record sales. Their spot, unadvertised and unexpected, was met with a strange resistance, "who are these people, why are they playing?". Did this concern them? Not a jot, They were wilful, playful and abandaned, a beacon of fun and ability.

So to Martin Stephenson and his Daintees. The London LP, Boat To Bolivia, still stands virtually unsurpassed, and the band's relaxed performance drew liberally from its wealthy vaults. Stephenson, as always, was half joker, half musician If was his charm, his ability, that really brought the whole thing together: a fine cause, a fine even-ing. DUNCAN HOLLAND

Rouen and on

WITH THEIR third single just re-leased, Rouen's date at The Mean Fiddler was an idea opportunity to see how they had progressed since signing to EG last summer. A modest though enthu-siastic crowd was on hand to moni-

apparently by some of the group's Brummie fallowers who had made the trip to add their support. The band's main strength is their

The bond's main strength is their youth and commitment. Led by bassat/singer Nick Allzon they are capable of whipping a crowd up into a state of excitement with all the familiar rock battle cries — "Are you ready, to get goings" Alright Let's go" — and Allson keeps it up throughout, pounding oway of his boss and yelling will what a his control of the control of th

ev are impressively tight The songs are traditional pop/ rock fore with a Seventies slant that is sometimes reminiscent of It Bites. Guitarist Roz Roslanowski seems to Guitarist Roz Rostanowski seems to know his way around the UZ cate-logue (It's Raining being the most obvious example), though the pre-sence of two keyboard players helps to pull the music away to-

The new single, Young For A Doy, would seem to be the most us example of their talents sugary rock which appears tailor-made for Radio One daytime airplay. Whether or not Rouen are different enough or have sufficient character to take their career into the Top 30 remains to be seen though. JULIAN HENRY

House warming

HOW TO replace the irreplac-able? That is the task facing Crea-tion's Alan McGee following the loss of the Bodines to Magnet and the transfer of Primal Scream and the Weather Prophets to his Eleva tion link-up with WEA.

While two recent Creation signings, Phil Wilson and Baby Ampheings, this wason and about Amphe-tomine, suggest that desperation has set in, House of Leve hint otherwise. At the Front Door to Babylon at the Black Horse in Camden, they played a set that was low on quantity but high on



HOUSE OF LOVE'S Guy Chad-

At times they sounded danger-

ously like an amalgamation of past and present Creation artists. In par-ticular their combination of noise and tunes is bound to draw com parisons with the Jesus and Mary

Where House of Love differ, though, is in the interesting use of female backing vocals and the addition of a third guitarist. Their songs are also less deeply rooted in the Sixties.

Given a decent producer their debut single should prove well worth waiting for. IOT. ANITOPEW REEVEDS

Under covers

A FIRST opportunity to see the much-lauded **Ted Hawkins** on-stage at the **Mean Fiddler** was cially in comparison with the much less celebrated Gillie McPherless celebrated dillie mcPrer-sen, who played the support slot with her more than adequate guitar/bass/drums backing band. McPherson, from Belfast, has had a TV series in Ireland, but so

had a TV series in Ireland, but so far remains virtually unknown in England, although her current in-die 45, Sweet Deceil (Gee Wizz Records), unfortunately largely fails to capture the values so effortlessly displayed in the live situation Michelle Shocked can beca

a star almost overnight, McPherson can surely ochieve something similar — by no means a teenybopper and with some jazzy inflecti

and with some jazzy inflections and phrosing, he songs are not and the Ca magazine uddied and the Ca magazine uddied to the Ca magazine uddied to the Ca magazine uddied to the Ca magazine uddied the Ca magazine uddied the Ca magazine uddied the Ca magazine uddied the La maga & The Rhythm Aces, by the way) a fairly routine manner. His voice is pleasantly soulful, although comparisons with Sam Cooke are ludicrous, and his rather fawning "I lave you all" intro was redolent of

His use of classics, apparently previously unheard by Andy Kershaw and his followers, is to be to some extent applauded, so they're undeniably great songs, and its would seem that Howkins is benefitting from the Ben E. King/Percy Sledge syndrome. Unfortunately, the originals remains the prepaled in the control of the co His use of classics, apparently Percy Sledge syndrome. Union-nately, the originals remains the greatest at this point, and aren't difficult to find. Sorry. JOHN TOBLER

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Hip hop as it happens

MUSIC OF LIFE, the dance lab MUSIC OF LIFE, the dance label run by producer/mixer Simon Har-ris and Chris France, has released its first album compilation, Del Beats 1 (Music Of Life MODEF 1) via Pinnacle), the first in a planned series of hip-hop compilations with a difference, this being that each volume will feature a number of volume will teature a number of tracks previously unavailable even as import 12-inchers. This will mean that buyers get new tracks by established New York rappers even before they are released in

the States, claims the label.

Among the cuts on Def Beats 1
are Music Of Life's own current
12-inch release Whole Latta Love by the Vicious Rumour Club, plus several other current noise-makers in the hip-hop/electro field like Be-

ware Affair's Def Beat, Derek B's Rock The Beat, and Delaney Street by Dana Dane, which is a current Billboard US Dance Top 50 title. The LP has 10 tracks with two bonus songs — Evonne And Cory by The Microphone Prince, and I'm Really Rocking by Beware Affair — on the cassette version (MODEF

on line custom.

To emphasise the youth orientation of its marketing, there is also to be a picture disc version of the album (MODEFP 1).

"There is no level loss on this album. It's as loud as a 12-incher," and therefore perfect for DIs," says a spokesman. The DJ market, is, in fact, at the forefront of Music Of Life's torgetting, as with this sector in mind, the label is already sector in mind, the label is already proving innovative in its treatment of 12-inchers, which are shrink-wropped and packaged in front-holo-only sleeves, US style, and also play at the import-tavoured 33rpm LP speed.

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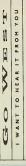
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next studio LP will clarify their tate, but for the time being a live offer-ing for the faithful. This is the band having fun in LA last year and contains a strong reading of '86's corking Everyday Living. Most live corking Everyday Living. Most live albums mark time, this provides a resume and gives the Five Tops efficient anchorage for the next giant step. Special price, £4.49, erefore on indie contender



LOWLIFE: Diminuendo. Night-shift LOLIF 4. Distribution: Fast orward and the Cartel. The th fully fledged platter from Will Heg nies' band and an accomi gies baild, and are decomplished piece it is too. Sample and hold the sound of bereft emotions, the grinding splay of untidy chords, the meladic disharmony of moody music. Lowlife have developed into a proper collection of would-be pop stars while still retaining their harmonic air. Diminuendo is landmark album, bustling with feel ing, dripping with emotio to the touch. Don't miss.

LYDIA LUNCH: Hysterie 1976-1986. Widowspeak WSP 8. Distribution: Rough Trade/Cartel. The brilliantly flawed career of this inimitable performer is laid out across this double album with a side opiece given to her innova-five, ground breaking bands Teenage Jesus & The Jerks, Beirut Slump and Eight Eyed Spy and the last and cight eyed spy and the last given over to her more recent col-laborations with Rowland S. Ho-ward, Sort Sol and Die Haut, Sterl-ing stuff from one of the most legendary figures from the hotbed of New York in the late Seventies and this album stands as a testa-ment to her raw-edged tolent.

VARIOUS ARTISTS: The James Deans Of The Dole Queue. ID NOSE 12. Distribution: Revolver/Cartel. Good clean-cut rocking sounds from 12 young bands around the country who deliver nearly an hour's worth of fresh rockabilly tunes. All are very competantly performed, and well-produced by former Polecat Boz Boorer, but even appearances by

the wacky Inspector Tuppence & The Sexy Firemen and Billy G's & The Hillbilly Playboys fail to break the reverance for the Fifties US sound. Commendations to The Wigsville Spliffs and The Long Stars but it's one for purists only

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SALEM 66: Frequency And Urgency, Homestead HMS 078. Distribution: Rough Trade and the Cartel. Neat second LP from this deceptively melodic group whose name might suggest a weir-der more left field approach. der more left field approach. Guitar music with harmonies that take The Bangles' pop style and give it a more moderne feel. This band has maceine. and has massive potential, get there quick

THEE MIGHTY CEASARS: Wise Blood. Ambassador AMBAS 2. Distribution: Pinnacle, The fifth LP (probably in as many months!) by this Chatham based group fronted by ex-Milkshake Billy Childish, once again recreating authenticalonce ogain recreating authentical-ity the sounds of 25 years ago, just before The Beatles started to have hits. Come Into My Life sounds rather like pre-Love Me Do, while I Self Destroy (sic) is Kinkish. The only odd inclusion is a cover of ATV's Action, Time, Vision, For gar-age band devotees, but also fun and sociologically valid.

TIGER: Me Name Tiger. Manga ILPS 9870. Boisterous and mildly diverting but barely original sound-ing debut LP from the Jamaican DJ ing debut LP from the Jamaican DJ who made some impact last year with his Puppy Love single and follow-up No Wanga Gut, both included here. Unfortunately his style is merely a synthesis of a number of his more well known contemporaries working in the same sphere and this particular Tiger hardly earns his stripes here. Looks like Island have missed the regage boat once again.



VARIOUS: The House Sound of Chicago Volume 2. London LONDP 32. This is definitely one for the bargain hunters. It is a double LP bringing together full-length versions of 19 recent singles from Chicago's Trax label for less than the price of two import 12-inchers. Although it is not as consiswhich featured the hits Jack Your Body and Love Can't Turn Around. it is still an assential buy for DJs and dancers alike. Highlights include the four contributions by On The House and Adonis as well as Boris Betanoff's What's Up Rocky and Fresh's Dum Dum which incorporates snatches of One Nation Under a Groove

AMII STEWART: Amii RCA PL AMII STEWART: Amii RCA TL 70112. Amii will always come up with the occasional hit, but it's un-likely to happen with this rather dated sounding set of Eurodisco numbers, produced (sure enough) numbers, produced (sure enough) by Giorgio Moroder. The best cord, a version of Norman Whit-field's soul number Love Ain't No Toy, has already been played as a single and most of the rest sounds somewhat out of step with '87

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WIRE TRAIN: Ten Women. CBS

450615-1. West Coast rock as God intended with now't to speak of in the fashion dept, but plenty else to grab attention. Wire Train's particular strength and class lies in the surging choruses which domin-ate every song here, making them big on first impressions (bades well for the imminent Diving single) and acceptable to born rack and pop audiences. Melodic avitars: pace: vocals with a passion that moves om sweet harmonies to the occa from sweet harmonies to the occa-sionally sly and sleazy; even hand-claps, Wire Train may not actually say a lot, but still leave an upliffing impression. Their Euro tour with The Alarm starts any say no and a hit is by no means out of the question. Eminently recommend-

STAN CAMPBELL: Stan Campbell. WEA WX 87. Famous as the exuberant singer on The Specials' Nelson Mandela, Stan Campbell is in equally fine (if mellower) voice for his first solo album which features seven self — or co-written — songs plus covers of Crawfish (the e), Don't Let Me Be Misun stood and Strange Fruit, and clear-ly, his is a voice that's going to be heard one way or another. The songs do him credit, too, ranaina from almost rock to restrained jazz and languid African beats and although it would be nice to hear although it would be nice to hear him really let rip and speed things up, that's churlish because this is a classy, stylish collection which could see him up there with your Sades and Simply Reds — and the catchy, joyful Save The World could be the song to do it, if it's released as a single.



STAN CAMPBELL: a voice that will

Reviewers: Andrew Beevers, Evelyn Court, Dave E Henderson, Duncan Holland, Paul Sexton, Jerry Smith, John Tobler, Danny Van Emden

THE CULT: Lil' Devil (Beggars Banquet BEG 188(T) Taken from their recently released and Rick Rubin produced Electric LP, this hard rockin' track shows their all too prevalent interest in old Led Zeopelin and lacks the power of Love Removal Machine.

THE ARMOURY SHOW: New York City (Parlophone (12)R 6153) Richard Jobson and Russell Webb take a joundiced view of the Big Apple on this excellent rap and nced number with a ented charge

THE CRADLE: It's Too High (Rough Trade RT(T) 202) The first combo to appear out of the ashes of Easterhouse sees Ivor Perry joining forces with short-lived Craig Gannon to deliver a fierce amalgam of sparkling guitars and

PRINCESS TINYMEAT: Angels In PRINCESS INIMEAT: Angels In Pain (Rough Trade RT(T) 187) Former Virgin Prune Binitii gallops off with another brilliantly bizarre tune that's both striking and memorable in its inventive delivery.



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TACKHEAD: The Game (You'll Never Walk Alone) (4th & Broadway/Island (12)BRW 65) Veteran Sugarhill Gang rhythm section with the inimitable help of Adrian Sherwood, whip up a fer-vent dance version of this old football anthem using commentary from Brian Moorel Get down to the great, revolutionary beat!

CHUCK STANLEY: Day By Day (Def Jam/CBS 650499 7 (650499 (Det Jam/CBS 650499 / (650499 6)) Another fine, passionate soul track from the Def Jam stable, a polished performance from Stan-ley's Finer Things In Life album.

CAMEO: Back & Forth (Club/ Phonogram JAB(X) 49) Although in their characteristic style, this smooth ballad from Cameo's Word Up album isn't as stu previous singles and could be a

NDY TAYLOR: Life Goes On ANDY TAYLOR: Life Goes On (MCA MCA (R) 1100) Andy Taylor's first solo single since leaving Duran Duran and, although written and produced with expistol Steve Jones, this turgid ballad doesn't bade well for his upcoming

THE DAMNED: Alone Again or (MCA GRIM(T) 7) The Damned produce a surprisingly evocative version of this superb Love classic, which should launch the summer in fine style with another Eloise-type

TOYAH: Echo Beach (EG/Virgin

two years is a rather lacklustre Muffins hit, lacking the subtlety and panache of the a



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SHELLEYAN ORPHAN: Anat Of Love (Rough Trade RT(T) 207 Soaring, sensitive number based on sweeping strings from Rough Trade's big hopes. Well worth taking the time to get to know.

THE ZODIAC MOTEL: Sunshine Miner (Swordfish ZOMO 1) Four blistering tracks from the ampheta mine express, built on a brittle beat and shards of sensurround guitar, this sonic Bolan boogie sound should shake 'em up. LIME SPIDERS: Weirdo Libido

(Zinger ZINGIT 1) Swirling psychedelic trash from this wacky Australian thrash band as featured in the film Young Einstein down under Bargain of the week with six snappy tracks.



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LADYSMITH BLACK MAMBA ZO: Hello My Baby (Warner Brothers W 8356(T)) One of the best things to come out of Paul Simon's Graceland has been this excellent accapella group and their strong resonant harmonies should do much for the LP from which they are taken, Shaka Zulu

ISLEY JASPER ISLEY: 8th Wo Of The World (Epic 650750 7(650750 6)) Not as scinfillatingly brilliant as Caravan Of Love, but this burning soul track, from their forthcoming new LP Different Drummer, should bring them success in their own righ

MIKEY-D & THE L.A. POSSE: My Telephone (10/Virgin TEN(T) 172) Slightly amusing if predictable hip hop fr om the rapper who featured on The Symbolic Three's No Show hit of last year

THE JUDDS: I'm Falling In Love Tonight (RCA PB 49717) Highly successful American mother and ughter duo issue this slick coun try tune from their Give A Little

THE O'KANES: Oh Darlin' (Why Don't You Care For Me No More) (CBS 650777 7). Strong Everly Brothers type harmonies dominate this smooth country ballad which forms a promising debut for this US duo.

GUERNICA: Orange And Red (Idol 12ID 2). Beguiling debut from this Irish band whose dramatic atmospherics are let down by an indifferent vocal. But with its impressive b-side it's still worth attention

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THE CHESTERFIELDS: Ask Joh ny Dee (Subway SUBWAY 11). Another fab frothy tune from Yeovil's top pop band with all the olbigatory ringing guitars and catchy hooks and another indie chart placing

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THE VAN BEETHOVENS: second and third movements.

THOSE FUNKY cousins from coross the water, Camper Van Beethoven relose their It & It is also that the control of the contr

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ex-V Prunes-ness, suggests that they're wack, have a new single called Angels In Pain. Arriving on a herd of chunky guitars and uncontrollable beats it soon sweels into a fleshy opus.

MEANTIMES, Antipodean darlings The Lime Spiders don their shades once more to un-

ing The Line Spiders don the Control of the Contro

IN THE States, again, **Big Dip-Per** have yet another tangent to pursue following the **Husker Du/Meat Puppets** line of melodic pop rock with cred. Their Boo-Boo 12-inch EP on Homestead through Rt, the Cartel and Shigoku here in the UK is as keen at mustard. Yo (ho).

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busting for othersion. Wow! And all this through Nine Mile and the Carrel, while at Revolver, the Head label rears its pimply brow once more with a new 45 from label dynamous The Wishing Stones. A purely poetic performance on seven and 12 particularly produced by Mayo Thomson to book.

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album Now Wait For Lost Year through Red Rhino and the Cartel. This is not upfront music. But, so is life.

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Telarc — the new Europeans

sound engineer and com-pany founder Jack Renner, have been hard at work in Wol-ford Town Hall adding other Tchaikovsky ballet scores to The Nutcracker recently issued with the LSO under Sir Charles Mackerras,

writes Nicolas Soames.

But why is the label working on but why is the label working on this kind of repertoire, and in Europe too, when it began nine years ago by issuing recordings which were immediately which were immediately pigeonholed in the category of American sonic spectaculars?

American sonic spectoculars?

The answer can be found in the new direction taken by Telarc over the past few years. "We found we were well established in the US but were real established in the US but we were frustrated by the fact that

we were trustrated by the fact that things were not taking hold in the UK and Europe," says Renner. So Renner and the producer Robert Woods with whom he founded Telarc, made a conscious decision to shift a fair proportion of its recording schedule to Europe, using Euro European orchestras and

This can be seen by the close This can be seen by the close association developed with Andre Previn and the Royal Philliammoric Orchestra, which produced the success story of Rachmaninov's Symphony No. 2. It was followed by other Previn projects, including Holds' The Planets (CD 80133) which go directly in line with the Telare persons of grand orchestral showpieces, and Procofie's Peter And The Wolf which is definitely

not. Evidently, the Previn connection has worked well. "I think he is delighted with our approach," remarks Renner, "When I storted Telor, one of my models was letter the Mercury label —I suppose twould like to think that Telor is the Mercury of the Eighties and Nineties in the tense that we, loo, by to work with just three microphones." "Previn angerials the fact that

"Previn appreciates the fact that there is no fussing around, and that what he hears on play back is exactly what he heard on the

The Previn/Telarc contract is Klaassen

bows out RHEINHOLD KLAASSEN, presi dent of Decca International, retired from PolyGram after a period of 38 years service. He is succeeded by Roland Kommerell, who has held a number of senior positions in PolyGram companies.

At Klaassen's retirement recep-

imguished coreer has been the out-standing success of his seven years at the helm of Decca here in Lon-don, during which he has been oble to build Decca into a highly profitable organisation."

tion, Tim Harrold, executive vice tion, Irm Harrold, executive vice-president, PolyGram International, commented: "There is no doubt that the crowning achievement of Rheinhold Klaassen's long and dis-tinguished coreer has been the out-

fluid, but looks as if it will run at about 5-7 projects a year — in-cluding recordings with the RPO, the Vienna Philharmonic Orches-tra, the Los Angeles Philharmonic Orchestra and one chamber music recording a year. The association with Sir Charles

Mackerras is also being consoli-dated. The recording of Tchaikovs-ky's Nutcracker (CD 80137, 2CDs) which is now available is being used as the soundtrack for Nut-cracker, The Motion Picture, due to

be released later this year.

And Mackerras was busy in Watford doing suites from Swan Lake and The Sleeping Beauty for

release next year.

But Renner is using Mackerras' Czechoslovakian connections by contracting Mackerras to continue contracting Mackerras to continue recording symphonies by Mozart in Prague. And there are plans to use other European orchestras, in-cluding the Berlin Philharmonic

cluding the Berlin Philharmonic conducted by Lorin Maazel in music by Wagner and Prokofiev. "This shows that we are deter-mined to make Telarc a main-stream classical label," declares Renner, who is boldly preparing to challenge the majors in standard repertoire. He has already begun to do that in the US, particularly since Telarc was the first company in the States to use digital record-ing techniques for classical music. It ing techniques for classical music. If commands a strong brand loyally as surveys have shown, and com-mands eight per cent of the Amer-ican classical market. But to establish classical credibil-

ity in Europe, Telarc needed more than superb-sounding recordings of American archestras and musicians — the company has to re-

cada — the company has to re-cord over here.

Telarc now has over 80 hiles in its catalogue, and Renner expects to add a further 25 or so per year for the foreseeable future. "Both Robert Woods and I want to con tinue being directly involved in the recordings themselves - so far we an say that we do 95 per cent of Telarc recordings, and we would want that to continue," explains



'I would like to think that Telarc is the Mercury of the Eighties and Nineties'

the UK by the label's distributor, Conifer Records, "Our aim over the next year or so is to raise consumer awareness of Telarc product," says Conifer's classica marketing manager David Bar-nard, "We want people to think of Telarc as a label like CBS or RCA - not as just an American import that makes spectacular sound re

cordings." The emphasis will be strongly or Telarc's CDs of course. "Frank the LP sales are dying, and we probably only market CDs although some LPs may be avail-able through the special Conifer

able through the special Conter Import Service," says Barnard.

Conifer Recards has announced that it will no longer import LPs from the Swedish label BIS, Instead, it is to concentrate on building the CD sales in an attemp to raise British consumer aware

are aiming for the sam "We are aiming for the sound level of success we have achieved with the French classical label Era to," says Barnard. The campaign began with the distribution of 45,000 copies of BIS catalogue enclosed in April editions of the Gramophone — the first time company has attempted such a direct approach to the central class sical audience.

His plans are being supported in W riately distinguished company Sterndale Bennett could clearly do with reconsideration. A fine debu

Piano Concerto in F minor/ Symphony in C minor, William Sterndale Bennett, Milton Keynes Chamber Orchestra, Hil-ary Davan Wetton, conductor, Matcolm Binns, piano. Milton Keynes Music Series MKM 88/11. The tilles read a little like 8/8/11. Eye joke, but in reality, this record is a gem. In an enterprising move, the Milton Keynes Orchestra — an accomplished band from the sound of this recording — tockles really unusual repertoire which deserves far wider recognition. At least the Piano Concerto can be recom-mended without reserve — it is mended without reserve — it is charming, virtuosic, and absorbing. It was premiered in Leipzig in 1839 on the same programme as the premiere of Mendelssohn's Scottish Symphony — approp-

Harpsichord Masterpieces Robert Aldwinckle. Pickwick IMI Red Label PCD 850. have been so easy to chaose the Harpsichord's Greatest Hits for this album, but, instead, Aldwinckle has selected a nicely varied program me of attractive pieces. Some, like Rameau's La Poule and Daquir Le Coucou are extremely wel known, but others, such as Couper in's Les Baricades Misterieuses, are not immediate first choices, yet worthy of inclusion in a collection

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Viv takes on Zodiac

THE NEWLY launched Promo Palace has followed up its debu with Neil Jordan directing U2's with Neil Jordan directing U2's Red Hill Mining Town by persuad-ing Adrian Edmondson, alias Viv from The Young Ones, to direct Zodiac Mindwarp And The Love Reaction's next promo video The video, for the single Prime Mover which is scheduled for re-

lease by Phonogram, was shot in a London studio and contains some exceptional special effects, a spacecraft, various explading girls. It marks the video directing debut of Edmondson who recently directed and starred in the latest Comic Strip film More Bad News.

Comic Strip film More Bad News. Having completed two promos, the Promo Palace is now working on its third video — for Radio Earth's new single Distant Land, due for release by WEA Racords. It is being directed by Rick Elgood, the video editor who has also directed promos for The Pagues, New Order and Moontwist.

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which recently had its productions in the top three positions of the MRIB music video sales chart, has been busy producing a variety of music clips for its parent company EMI Records and for autside

clients.

Recent productions include two clips for The Cure, directed by Storm Thorgerson; clips for UB40, View From The Hill and The Armoury Show, directed by Brian Travers; clips for Fate and Latin

tions many miles from home. Harsh images match the brutality of the music, this is Johnson and his direc-

music, this is Johnson and nis a irec-tors with their gloves off, the viewer gets the body blows. Meanwhile Matt's strapped to a boat floating down a river, await-ing an unpleasant greeting from excited natives. Much was made of

the violent imagery and near por-nography of this release on its ini-tial Channel 4 showing. The point is that such challenging visuals are necessary to convey Johnson's music, no holes barred in the original composition, hence no punches pulled in the video and on 18 certificate. A world away from pop glitter,

an important step forward in rep-resenting an artists work, with MTV the last thing in mind and almost an unavalified success.

Sales forecast: Good. The The devotes are product hungry, those who saw the original on TV may be tempted back and the cunous may dobble. clips for Jaki Graham, David Grant and Kiki Dee, directed by Dee Trattimann and clips for Waysted, Philippe Russo and Johnny Clegg & Savuka, directed by Julian Caidan.

The three productions which have been riding high in the charts for PMI include Queen — Live In Budapest, Kate Bush — The Whole Story and Tina Turner — Breaking Every Rule.

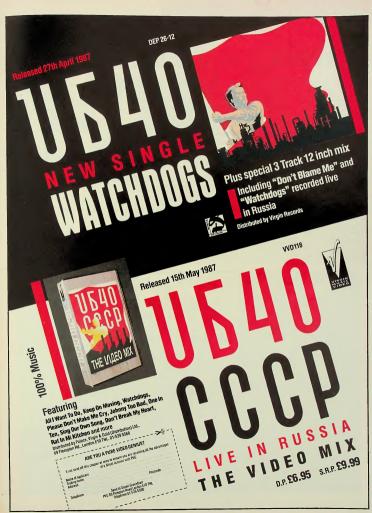
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FOLLOWING ANDY Warhol's recent death, which has led to a revived interest in his work. Channel 5 is adding Andy Warhol And His Work to its April 30 package of video releases

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FRONT ROW Films has taken on Nick Sawyer who joins their roster of music video directors which in the UK includes Pete Cor-nish and Sophie Muller. Sawyer's experience of film to date has been entirely practical.



— it's in the bag Marketing

F'RE IN com-merce -- not-fine art," soys RCA Records' director of marketing, Gareth Har-

director of marketing, Gareth Har-ris. "Record sleeves are intended to be functional. Ultimately, they're meant to sell records." Harris' view reflects most UK re-Harris' view reflects most UK re-cord company marketing directors' attitudes to the design of record sleeves. While being conscious of the need to produce sleeves which

their artists can live with, marketing executives are also acutely aware that sleeve designs have to play a ajor marketing role.

In the case of new artists, slee

designs can help to establish their "image" — while sleeves for estab-lished acts will often form the basis of press advertising, posters, in-store display material and TV com-

"A good sleeve is not necessarily ne that wins awards — it is one that fulfils a commercial marketing medi" says A&M Records' marketing director, Howard Berman. "The ideal sleeve design is one that the arist is happy with and which we feel interprets what they are trying to do musically — while at the same time working well on the merchandising front." Virgin Records' art director, Gary Wathern, agrees: "We're not just creating imagery for 7 inch or that fulfills a c ommercial marketin

A LOT of time, energy and finance goes into the creation of a sleeve so that it succeeds in fulfilling a commercial marketing need. Brian Oliver talks to some record company marketing executives to find out where their expectations lie and what the many considerations are.

12 inch sleeves. We're creating designs to fill record shop win-

Mike Andrews, EMI Records' senior product manager, points out that a good sleeve can often help a record company to win good instore coverage: "If you are cominstore coverage: if you are com-peting for a window display, and other factors — such as advertising support and the artist's appeal —, are equal, a dealer will go for a striking sleeve that is likely to attract people into the store."

RCA's Horris believes that a strik-

ing sleeve design can help to arouse interest in an artist when record buyers are browsing instore
— although he accepts that even a
accept that even a people to buy the product unless

they like the music. He says: "Sleeve design has a

rale to play in shaping people's perception of the music, it can cre-ate an overall image that is sym-pathetic to the music and which

shows there is a logical visual look that goes with the sounds." Harris believes that this visual imagery must be presented to consumers in a consistent way — so that it becomes familiar to them: "It ortant to reinforce this familiarity by repetition. For example, by using the sleeve design as the basis of all advertising and prom-otional material."

A&M's Berman agrees that a uniform visual approach is ex-tremely important when marketing an artist: "Record buyers are bombarded with different messages all the time. So establishing a familiar image can only help to strengthen

David Shilling, deputy creative director at CBS Records' advertising agency, David Pilton Advertis-ing (DPA), says experience has shown that distinctive sleeves do shown that distinctive sleeves do help the advertising. He cites the recent example of CBS's distinctive sleeve for the Jasper Carrott album, Cosmic Carrott. In the TV commercial for the album, an anicommercial for the album, an ani-mated vinyl eating "space mons-ter" is seen munching copies of the album. The sleeve design is also featured in press ads and in point-

Because the cost of producing a sleeve is often spread across se sleeve is often spread across sever-al areas in this way, marketing directors say it is difficult to esti-mate what proportion of their budgets is invested in sleeve design. However, most companies reckon they spend up to £1,000 for a 7 inch sleeve and around £2,000 for a 12 inch sleeve although prices as low as £300 for a single bag, and as high as £5,000 for a major album, are

mentioned.
"In the case of new artists, are obviously taking a lot of risks," soys CBS Records' art director, Roslav Szaybo. "But we have to maintain certain standards, so we have to think in terms of paying a fair price — although not one that will make a designer rich over-night." EMI's Andrews says: "I usually have an idea of the price I want to spend when I brief a designer and we negotiate from there

A&M's Berman says the amount which his company spends on sleeve designs "varies enormously" — and expenditure is not always based on the anticipated so levels for particular releases.

Virgin's Wathen says: "We don't spend horrendous amounts of money on sleeve design, but we like to get the packaging correct." He points out that the type of photography used can lead to a substantial difference in design costs: "But the cost of one photo costs: "But the cost of one proto session may also be spread across the sleeves for two singles and an album — and the band's logo de-sign may be used on all sleeves and advertising material through-out the world. That's why it is so

difficult to pinpoint the cost of indi-Most record companies adopt a different approach to commission-ing sleeves. Companies such as RCA and EMI do not have staff designers, while A&M, WEA, Poly-Gram and CBS have their own in-house design teams but still use outside design companies.

"Sleeve designs are usually a co-ordinated effort — based on what the artist wants, how the A&R



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STRIKING THE right balance between aesthetic appeal and commercial requirements is the marketing view or what makes a successful sleeve. John Carver at the Leisure Process always bears these factors in mind.

department sees the act and how the product department would like to market it," explains Phono-gram's head of creative services,

Mike Storey.

He adds: "If the product mana ger and the act are very sure about what they want, we will usually do the design in-house. For example, the Bob Geldof album sleeve was handled in-house. But if a band is more willing to listen to other people's ideas, we may bring in an outside design company and ask the designer to work closely with

the designer to work closely with the artist, their manager and the marketing department."

WEA Records also adopts a flexible approach: "We always look for something startling and effective that will give an indi-viduality to each artist," explains WEA's directo of marketing, Paul Conroy. "In the case of the latest

Simply Red album, for example, we asked three or four different companies to put forward ideas, although we already had the shattage with the same of the same of

photographs. Conroy explains that the com Conroy explains that the com-pany then carried out market re-search to test the Simply Red de-signs. "We ended up changing the original photographs because they did not come out well in the re-search," he says.

Megnwhile Gary Meanwhile, Virgin's Gary Wathen explains that his company adopts a dual approach to sleeve design." In the case of new bands, we try to create a very stylised, fresh image that will set the tone for them as their careers develop. For acts that ore well-established is the company of the comp

we try to build elements into the sleeve graphics that lend them-selves to advertising and merchan-

as a team."

EMI adopts a similar approach:
"The best sleeve ideas come when there is a good rapport between a designer and the artist," says Mike Andrews. "We often choose a particular designer for that reason. A band may have imaginative design ideas of their own, but they need a

designer who is sensitive to their needs and can interpret their RCA's Harris points out that his

RCA's Harris points out that his company also uses a number of designers and photographers on a regular bosis because, he says, artist tend to develop a close emphathy with them. However, "newcomers" are often asked to persent their portfolios when the company is seeking a new style that may be sympothetic to a particular artist.

He adds: "We are usually very specific about photo sessions, whereas the brief for a design company may be more fluid."
"How we opproach a sleeve depends on the act and the circumstences." explains A&W's Berman. "Some acts have very strong ideas about how they want their muse to.

"Some acts have very strong ideas about how they want their music to be interpreted visually."
Meanwhiles Roslav Szaybo, points out that the growing importance of cassettes and compact discs is moking the designer's task even harder. "The viewing surface is so small that you have to be even more tolented in the choice of impacts and broagnaby."

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A&M's Berman believes there
are two ways in which a sleeve
design can go wrong; when desig-ners start "dabbling in the realms
of fine art" and when a sleeve
becomes "a bloaten piece of com-mercialism" and bears no relation

to the music.

EMS Andrews agrees that a
good sleeve design is one which
strikes the right bolance.

First Supylor says: "A lot of
record covers may look very prefty, but they completely miss the
point of the artifus music. On the
other hand, I have seen a number
of allows a labely that ferother, very. of sleeves lately that feature very amateurish photography." He adds: "A designer who

He adds: "A designer who makes a mistake on a record cover may do another 200 sleeves over the next twelve months. But the average recording artist only records one album a year. That's a hell of a responsibility to the people who make the music."

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The Design & Art Direction Awards (DADAs) were presented at the

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outstanding record sleeve Winner: Pet Shop Boys — Suburbia

Suburbia
Designers: Mark Farrow with
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Photographer: Enc Watson
Typographer: Mark Farrow
Marketing Manager: Jill Wall
Clients: Pet Shop Boys and mination for Silver Award

for the most outstanding record sleeve record sleeve Hue and Cry — I Refuse Designers: Anthony Michael and Stephanie Nash Photographer: Alistair Thain Typographers: Anthony Michael and Stephanie Nash Design Group: Michael Nash Managing/Creative Director: Ashley Newton Client: Circa Records Limited

How much life left in sleeves?

HILE DADA gloomily pronounces that very little of creative significance has come out of the last year, sleeve desig-ners vehemently refute that their particular area has become any less innovative or interesting — in-spite of the music itself undeniably becoming safer. Few, however, would dispute that the business is

changing. Andie Airfix, a designer who has Andie Airlis, a designer who has built up a strong reputation on the basis of his work for a diverse collection of artists spanning The Thompson Twins, Def Leppard, Dead Or Alive and Fuzzbox, feels that it is the that it is the businesses with tradi-tionally less dynamic images which are now demanding more interesting formats and up-to-date araphics. "It's "straighter" companies such as estate agents and accountants who are looking for new creative approaches," he SQYS.

Yet despite the opportunities elsewhere, sleeve designers re-main committed to the cause. Airfix, like many designers who have a solid reputation doesn't have to actively seek work — it rends to

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Mark Farrow who worked on Mark Farrow who worked on the DADA winning sleeve for the Pet Shop Boy's Suburbia continues to enjoy designing sleeves although he says that corporate identity work brings greater financial awards and is more difficult to get into. But it is encouraging when record companies are prepared to take chances: "The record company were brave to go with the Suburbia sleeve which had no type on it at all — and it worked won-derfully well."

Dave Wharin at Quick On The Draw feels that the business of sleeve design is just like any other service industry. "It's ideas, quality, service and price - although not always in that order - which are the main factors," he says. "We work on over 300 albums a year, ranging from classical to pop, and provide a complete service which includes all artwork, point-of-sale

includes all artwork, point-of-sale and advertising material. "Having worked in the business for several years our contact base has grown and we don't actively pursue new business."

Another company which pro-vides a complete service and likes to think of itself as both a problem olver and a career shaper is The solver and a coreer shaper is The Leisure Process. It also aims to nev-er lose sight of a fresh and im-aginality approach to everythings it handles. "Essentially we are an advertising agency providing a tol-ol service through design, image, styling and marketing. We also specialise in IV commercials and hold accounts such as Philips and BASE" was and director Simon BASF," Adamczewski. "We've just done the co

identity for Abbey Road Studios and have been able to apply our knowledge of artists and the music business to make it successful.





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"Essentially we are a small set up and everyone is part of a team. The two company directions, Douglas Coates and John Carver, come from advertising and market come from advertising and market-ing backgrounds respectively. The major difference between creating a sleeve and, say, an ad for BASF is that you have to think first and foremast about the image you want to project. You're fighting for space on the shop shelf and you're

space on the snop sner on a you're dealing with an artist — not a tangible commodity.

"We always try and arrive at a happy medium as far as the artist is cerned — something that ulti mately he or she feels happy with ately on sleeves there is imense flexibility and scope."

mense flexibility and scape."

And the emphosis is always on the pursuit of something new. According to Adanczewski: "We are dealing with people who want to have a very individual image — and image is a very broad ranging term. It's a personal process to work with the artist to arrive at that original image. "We don't take a prima donna

"We don't take a prima donna stance with our design — we are there to provide a service. There are lots of people involved in creating a sleeve and most record es have strong idoor companies have strong rooms about where they want to position heir artists in the marketplace. We always present four or five ideas which are very different, rather than producing one hard and fast

One might wonder in these days of hard commercial reality if there is any fun left in the business? "It's still exciting," Adamczewski asserts.
"Sleeves offer a creative challenge and stretch the abilities of market-

and stretch the abilities of market-ing and advertising minds."

And, of course, there's still the fact that contact with the artists brings the add bizarre situ-ation. Adamczewski cites the photo session with The Damned for photo session with the Damned for their last album cover. "Half way through the session they decided that it would be interesting to slide up and down the outside of the building on a rope, and I had visions of having to phone up MCA to tell them 'one of your artists has just killed himself'."

just killed himself."

Dave Wharin says that because turnaround often has to be last, hairy situations can arise. "On the Ultrawa collection for Chrysalis we were placed in the interesting situation of having to get the group's approval at Heathrow air-

group's opproval al' Heathfow air-port — as they were just about to fly off to Kenyon. The memory of holding up the sleeves surrounded by 20' Kenyons and their sulccuss to be a surrounded by the surrounder of hand liked the sleeves!" Andie Airfüx maintains that life an sometimes be extremely frus-trating for the designer: "Atter working on a Def Lappord sleeve conduction of the production of an advantage of the production of an advantage of the production of the hold bean done for the right and although I appreciated that it had been done for the right reasons, it meant that the design had to be totally reworked." Airtix also mentions the strange phenomenon of cleaning ladies, innocently disposing of valuable proofs in the wastepaper bin as a

proofs in the wastepoper bin as a quite common occurrence...

At the end of the day a sleeve is there to serve a very definite pur-pose which is quite simply to sell the product. But how powerful is it?



ANDIE AIRFIX: VARIETY is the spice of life.

"It's difficult to say how powerful "It's difficult to say how powerful a good sleeve is," says Airfix. "It's initially important for a D1 to pick if out of a pile and identify it as something he wants to play. As artists become more well known there is less emphasis on the commercial approach and a sleeve can become more esoteric Initially can become more esoteric. Initially it has to be very clear and fulfill certain guidelines to make it sell." Vaughan Oliver of 23 En-velopes believes it is not essential

to cram a huge amount of informa-tion on to a sleeve: "A good sleeve can seduce and impress a person

can seduce and impress a person who is intersted in music and who is looking for something different. Rather than cramming if with information, it is more important that the feel is right and if that the power to make people take a risk." Sleeves are also important vehicles for selling records to people

who do not possess hard and fast musical tostes — and that initial visual impact really counts. "A lot of records are sold to casual browsers and he or she will stop at something punchy," maintains Dave Wharin.

Phil Smee at Waldo Design feels that a dreadful sleeve won't prevent a record from selling and a brilliant one won't necessarily make it a success. "In the areas where people are buying for the music itself — but where there is a certain element of choice, such as for classical — the sleeve can be crucial. It's important to give a sleeve a look and feel which grows

steeve a look and teel which grows with the label, and you can educate people to grow with it.
"For example, on the Edsel label, there has been a conscious effort to educate people to appreciate good design. The approach also varies from artist to

sleeve cannot be taken in isolation it is just one facet of communi it is just one facet of communi-coting image: "However crucial the sleeve is to the structuring of an image, though — if the music's no good, it won't sell."

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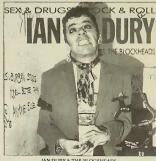
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